

# CITY OF CRESCENT CITY PLANNING COMMISSION AND ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW COMMITTEE

Commission Members: Brad Kime, Chairperson
Raymond Altman, Vice-Chairperson • John Williams • Mike Muldoon • Holly Greene

Incorporated April 13, 1854

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# Regular Meeting Thursday, January 10, 2019 at 5:30 p.m.

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

#### ROLL CALL

<u>PUBLIC COMMENT:</u> The public may address the Planning Commission on any item of interest that is within the Commission's subject matter jurisdiction or that appears on the agenda. The Commission is not able to discuss extensively or act on any items that do not appear on the agenda. After receiving recognition by the Chairperson, please state your name and city or county residency for the record. Public comment is limited to three (3) minutes or other reasonable limitations specified by the Chairperson on particular topics or individual speakers (Gov't Code §54954.3(b)).

CONSENT CALENDAR: These items are routine in nature, are consistent with the Crescent City General Plan, Municipal Code, and State Government Code, are exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act, and are recommended for approval. Action on all items in the Consent Calendar will be taken without discussion by a single motion, unless a Commissioner, staff or member of the public requests that an item be removed from the Consent Calendar for discussion.

**A.** Approval of the minutes of the December 13, 2018 regular meeting of the Crescent City Planning Commission and Architectural Review Committee.

**ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW:** None

**CONTINUING BUSINESS:** None

**NEW BUSINESS:** 

Agenda Item# B.

Application #: AR-18-09. UP 18-04

Project:

Use permit and architectural review for tobacco sales in the C-2 (General

Commercial) District

Applicant:

Ratib Norzei

Site Address:

450 HWY 101 N Suite B, Crescent City CA

APNs: 118-370-18

**Lot Size:** .74 acres **Project Size:** 1,000 (+/-) sq-ft

General Plan Land Use: General Commercial (GC)

Zoning: C-2 (General Commercial) District

Surrounding Zoning/Uses: West: C-2/commercial; East: C-2/commercial; South: C-

2/commercial; north: C2/commercial

Background & Project Description: The applicant is requesting a Use Permit and architectural review for a smoke shop located at 450 Highway 101 North. The applicant is proposing to sell a variety of tobacco products and accessories including but not limited to cigarettes, cigars, ecigarettes, & tobacco. The subject location is developed with an approximately 3,000 square foot commercial building and 20 stall parking lot. Starbucks occupies approximately 2,000 sqft of space (suite A) and the remaining portion of the commercial space is vacant (Suite B). The subject property is located at the southwest corner of the intersection of Cooper and Highway 101 North (refer to attached aerial photo for further details). The applicant is not proposing to make exterior modifications to the building.

Per CCMC Title 17 Zoning, Section 17.91.020 (A), a tobacco retailer may be established in the C-2 District subject to securing a conditional use permit.

# Agenda Item# C.

Project:

Environmental Review for City of Crescent City Storm Drain Improvement

Application #: ER18-01

Project

**Applicant:** City of Crescent City

**Background & Project Description:** Mitigated Negative Declaration for the City of Crescent City Storm Drain Improvement Project.

#### Agenda Item # D.

Selection of Chairman and Vice Chairman.

### REPORTS, CONCERNS, REFERRALS: In accordance with Gov't Code §54954.2(a)(2),

Planning Commissioners or staff may briefly respond to public comment, make brief announcements or reports, or ask questions for clarification. Planning Commissioners or the Commission may also direct staff to report back on any matter at a subsequent meeting or to place a matter of business on a future agenda.

<u>ADJOURNMENT:</u> Adjourn to the regular meeting of the City of Crescent City Planning Commission and Architectural Review Committee scheduled for Thursday, February 14, 2019 at 5:30 p.m. at the Flynn Center, 981 H Street, Crescent City, CA 95531

#### **POSTED:**

January 7, 2019 By: Heather Welton

Planning Secretary/Office Technician



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# Regular Meeting y, December 13, 2018 at 5:30 p.m.

Thursday, December 13, 2018 at 5:30 p.m. Board Chambers, 981 "H" Street, Suite 100, Crescent City, CA

#### **MINUTES**

#### CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Kime called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm

### ROLL CALL

<u>Commissioners present:</u> Chairman Brad Kime, Vice-Chair Ray Altman, Commissioner Holly Greene, Commissioner Mike Muldoon, and Commissioner John Williams

<u>Staff present:</u> City Manager Eric Wier, Public Works/Planning Office Technician Heather Welton and City Clerk/Administrative Analyst Robin Patch

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** There were no comments from the public.

#### A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Approval of the minutes of the November 8, 2018 regular meeting of the Crescent City Planning Commission and Architectural Review Committee.

On a motion by Commissioner William, seconded by Commissioner Greene, and carried on a 5-0 polled vote, the Crescent City Planning Commission and Architectural Review Committee approved the minutes of the November 8<sup>th</sup>,2018 regular meeting as presented.

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None.



# ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW:

Agenda Item# B.

Application #: AR17-03

Project:

Use permit and architectural review for a self-storage facility and managers unit

in the C-2 (General Commercial) District

Applicant:

Eric & Lori Taylor

1607 Fifth Street **Site Address:** 

APNs: 118-100-24

Lot Size:

.85 acres

**Project Size:** 3,400 (+/-) sq-ft

General Plan Land Use:

General Commercial (GC)

Zoning:

C-2 (General Commercial) District

Surrounding Zoning/Uses: North: C-2/commercial; East: C-2/commercial/former mill site;

South: C-2/commercial; West: C-2/commercial

Background & Project Description: The subject property is located behind (east of) the Jed Smith Shopping Center. The parcel is approximately .85 acres and is developed with a 3,400 square foot commercial office building, paved parking lot and an abandoned portion of O Street. The applicant is requesting approval for the conversion of the building into a 1,200 sqft manager's unit/office and 2,200 sqft indoor storage facility. Furthermore, the applicant is proposing to use approximately 12,000 sqft of the paved surface south of the building as a storage area for boats & vehicles. The proposed project also includes fencing the entire property with an eight-foot chain-link fence for security (refer to attached site plan and photos for further details). In December of 2017, the applicant received conditional approval for an onsite managers unit and self-storage facility on the adjacent property. However, due to the acquisition of the subject property the applicant is desirous of utilizing the subject building as the managers unit/office for the entire facility. Future plans include expanding the self-storage with additional units therefore, the applicant is also requesting approval to develop self-storage buildings subject to future architectural review.

Eric Wier, City Manager, gave a brief description of the background and project description. He added that the adjacent property and the applicant came before the commission with a very similar use permit one year ago. He showed photos of the proposed property and the property presented before the commission one year ago. He stated that the applicant is looking to utilize the proposed building as a management facility and storage unit. He then went over some items about the use permit. For the use permit the staff analysis says that the general plan is consistent with the general plans land use designation of general commercial. And the general plan also lists the visitor and local commercial land use description specifically allows mini storage facilities by use permit. The City has consulted the City Attorney for further interpretation of the land use and the opinion of the city attorney is that the proposed activity of mini storage/ selfstorage is consistent with the general commercial land use designation of this property. He said the Crescent City Municipal Code allows for one residential unit per occupancy for a caretaker of a commercial facility by use permit. Use permit does specify glare and Wier stated that the applicant would be required to submit a lighting plan through the City as part of their conditions. Wier also stated that traffic is a specification of the use permit and said there will not be a lot of traffic to and from the facility. Traffic was not deemed to be a large issue. Noise is expected to be minimal, same with odors, the City is not expecting any odors as part of the use permit.

Wier then went on to address the Architectural review for the project. Zoning is allowed under 17.22.020 under zoning code consistency. Parking is under the direction of City Staff, which five parking spaces is recommended for this facility. Fencing is required for equipment storage and automobiles, the applicant is requesting an eight-foot fence and the City would require them to put a visual barrier if it isn't a solid fence, such as slats in a chain link or something similar. Wier said for a sign they would have to submit a sign permit that will be approved by City staff. For this portion of the property it does have sidewalk, so they would not be required to put in additional sidewalk. Wier also said the environmental determination is that it is exempt from CEOA.

Wier stated the proposed conditions of approval for the self-storage facility with an onsite management unit and office. The office would be 1200 square feet and the indoor storage units would be 2200 square feet. The parking area would be for possible vehicle or boat storage, the applicant is listing it as covered and uncovered. If the applicant decides to do a structured covered storage area it would need to come before the Commission for architectural review. Within 5 days following the expiration of the ten-day appeal period the applicant shall file the CEQA notice of exemption and pay all fees. Applicant to provide a lighting plan for approval and provide a minimum of five off street parking spaces. If they are getting a sign they are to submit a sign plan and get the necessary approvals and permits. They would have to obtain all necessary permits and building permits as required. They cannot store hazardous material on site. The fence requirement would be a fence that had a solid type screen for visual appearance.

The environmental review was discussed at a Commission level.

Eric Taylor, applicant, spoke about his prior property at 1621 Fifth street that he had approached the commission with last year. He gave a brief description of how the managers unit proposed would look like. There will be an office for the public with a restroom, a fully contained living quarters, indoor storage and outdoor boat or vehicle storage. And he wanted to specify that the only screened in fence part would be the fencing around the outside vehicle/boat storage. What he is proposing is to get the approval he got for the other parcel for the management unit and move it to this facility and make both parcels all one. He updated on his other parcel and mentioned that its under construction, it's been cleared, graded, storm drains have been put in and the concrete slab is underway.

There was discussion on a Commission level about the proposed fencing.

On a motion by Commissioner Altman, seconded by Commissioner Muldoon and carried on a 5-0 polled vote, the Crescent City Planning Commission and Architectural Review Committee approved the conversion of the building, paved lot and fencing and approved application for AR17-03 and to adopt the CEQA findings.

**CONTINUING BUSINESS:** None

**NEW BUSINESS:** None

**REPORTS, CONCERNS, REFERRALS:** In accordance with Gov't Code §54954.2(a)(2), Planning Commissioners or staff may briefly respond to public comment, make brief announcements or reports, or ask questions for clarification. Planning Commissioners or the Commission may also direct staff to report back on any matter at a subsequent meeting or to place a matter of business on a future agenda.

Chairman Kime made an announcement that he was stepping down and his last meeting will be January 10<sup>th</sup>, 2018.

Commissioner Williams made an announcement that he will be stepping down in three months.

Eric Wier, City Manager, said the choosing of the new Chairman and Vice Chairman will be on January 10<sup>th</sup>, 2018's planning commission agenda.

### **ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further business to come before the Crescent City Planning Commission and Architectural Review Committee, Chairman Kime adjourned the meeting at 5:52p.m. to the regular meeting of the City of Crescent City Planning Commission and Architectural Review Committee scheduled for Thursday, January 10, 2018 at 5:30 p.m. at the Flynn Center, 981 H Street, Crescent City, CA 95531

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Heather Welton, Public Works/Planning Office Technician

# **Crescent City Planning Commission** January 10, 2019 **Staff Report**

Agenda Item# V.A

**Application #: UP18-04, AR18-09** 

Project:

Use Permit & Architectural review for a smoke shop in the C-2 (General

Commercial) District

Applicant:

Waleed Fayzi

Site Address:

450 Highway 101 North, Suite B

APN:

118-370-18

Lot Size:

+/- .74 acres

**Project Size:** +/- 1,000 sq. ft.

General Plan Land Use:

Visitor & Local Commercial (VLC)

Zoning:

C-2 (General Commercial) District

West: C-2/commercial; East: C-2/commercial; South: C-Surrounding Zoning/Uses:

2/commercial; north: C2/commercial

Background & Project Description: The applicant is requesting a Use Permit and architectural review for a smoke shop located at 450 Highway 101 North. The applicant is proposing to sell a variety of tobacco products and accessories including but not limited to cigarettes, cigars, ecigarettes, & tobacco. The subject location is developed with an approximately 3,000 square foot commercial building and 20 stall parking lot. Starbucks occupies approximately 2,000 sqft of space (suite A) and the remaining portion of the commercial space is vacant (Suite B). The subject property is located at the southwest corner of the intersection of Cooper and Highway 101 North (refer to attached aerial photo for further details). The applicant is not proposing to make exterior modifications to the building.

Per CCMC Title 17 Zoning, Section 17.91.020 (A), a tobacco retailer may be established in the C-2 District subject to securing a conditional use permit.

General Plan Consistency: It is important to note that two general plan land-use designations underlie the C-2 District. The portion of the C-2 containing the subject parcel is within the VLC, as discussed above. The VLC-controlled portion of the C-2 District extends from Front Street to Wilson Avenue. The remainder of the C-2 District, from Wilson Avenue to Washington Boulevard, is controlled by the General Commercial (GC) land-use designation. The VLC land use designation reads as follows:

#### Visitor & Local Commercial (VLC)

This designation provides for a combination of commercial uses including visitorserving commercial uses, local-serving commercial uses, and regional-serving commercial uses. Within the coastal zone, however, visitor-serving uses will have priority over all other allowable uses. The focus of this designation is on concentrating uses oriented toward tourism and drawing trade from the entire Del Norte County area. The maximum FAR for buildings in this designation is 0.50, but the FAR does not



include residential uses above the ground floor in a mixed-use development. The principal permitted uses under the VLC designation include, but are not limited to, commercial activities such as regional shopping and service centers including wholesale "club" stores and factory outlets; a full range of retail uses including apparel stores, specialty shops, durable goods, and home furnishings; travel services such as motels/hotels; restaurants; entertainment centers; banks; savings and loans, and recreation facilities. Multiple-unit residential uses as a secondary/mixed use at a density of 6 to 60 units per acre may be considered with a conditional use permit. Other uses requiring a conditional use permit include, but are not limited to, residential-only developments, new timeshare resort hotels, recreational vehicle parks, mini-storage, medical offices, public facilities, and transportation services such as gas stations and light-commercial automobile service uses All heavy commercial uses shall be prohibited in the Visitor and Local Commercial designation.

The General Plan envisions a wide range of retail commercial uses as principally permitted including specialty shops. However, tobacco sales do require a conditional use permit per the CCMC. Staff believes that the proposed retail commercial use is consistent with the Land Use Plan in that it provides a local serving commercial use (retail sales).

#### **Zoning Code Consistency:**

The CCMC defines the following uses as principal permitted in the C-2 District:

- A. The principal permitted general commercial use in the C-2 district includes:
- 1. Retail and wholesale sales located inside a building, such as: large or small shops, stores, centers, and outlets.
- 2. Services located inside a building, such as: offices, financial institutions and personal services shops, including laundromats, small item repairs and printing services.
- 3. Indoor and outdoor recreational or travel activities and services, such as: all eating and drinking places (including drive-thru services), hotels and motels, theaters, entertainment centers, and bus stations.
  - 4. Medical centers and services including convalescent homes.
  - 5. Accessory structures, such as: parking lots and secondary storage buildings.
- 6. Improvements to existing residential uses which can be demonstrated to have been legally established before the year 2001.

Staff believes that the proposed project is a principal permitted use defined as retail sales located inside a building. Therefore, the proposed project is consistent with the C-2 General Commercial District. However, as previously discussed the sale of tobacco products does require a use permit (refer to Use Permit Review for further details).

# **Use Permit Review – Specific Topics**

The purpose of issuing a use permit is to assure that a degree of compatibility shall be maintained with respect to the particular use on a particular site and consideration of other existing and potential uses within the general area in which such use is proposed to be located. Also, to recognize and compensate for variations in degree of technological processes and equipment as related to the factors of noise, smoke, dust, fumes, vibration, odors and hazards to ensure the use

will not become a nuisance to the neighborhood. Specific topics relating to compatibility are discussed below and conditions of the use permit are recommended based on the following.

CCMC Title 17 Zoning, Section 17.91.020 allows tobacco retailers in the C-2 District subject securing a Conditional Use Permit.

#### 17.91.020 Tobacco retail establishments.

This section establishes permit requirements and standards for the development and operation of a tobacco retailer.

A. Permit requirements. Notwithstanding any provision of this title, a tobacco retailer may be established in the following zoning districts subject to securing a conditional use permit: C-l, C-2, CW.

When considering the siting of a tobacco retailer the Planning Commission should consider the location of the tobacco retailer to sensitive receptors as outlined in Section 17.91.020 (B):

- B. Development standards. The planning commission may take into consideration the proximity of the proposed tobacco retailer with parcels occupied by the following uses:
  - 1. Public or private kindergarten, elementary, middle, junior high or high schools;
- 2. Licensed child day care facility or preschool other than a small or large family day care home;
- 3. Public playground or playground area in a public park (e.g., a public park with equipment such as swings and seesaws, baseball diamonds or basketball courts);
  - 4. Youth or teen center;
  - 5. Public community center or recreation center;
  - 6. Arcade;
  - 7. Public park;
  - 8. Public library; or
  - 9. Houses of worship conducting youth programs or youth oriented activities.

Staff is not aware of any sensitive receptors that are located within close-proximity to the subject location.

#### **Architectural Review**

Zoning Code Section 17.46.035 requires that the architectural review include "...consistency with the applicable zoning, parking and landscaping, fencing, signage, street, sidewalk and public services requirements as set forth by this section."

- Zoning: allowed under Section 17.22.020 (A) as noted under Zoning Code Consistency.
- Parking: CCMC Section 17.42.060 (C)(1) requires 1 parking space for every 250 sqft of floor area for retail sales. Therefore, the proposed use requires 4 parking spaces.
- Fencing: Per the CCMC the proposed project is not required to install fencing.
- Signage: The C-2 District allows one and one-half square feet of sign area per linear foot of street frontage. To date the applicant has not proposed any signage for the project therefore. Considering the location of the project along HWY 101 staff recommends that

- proposed signage, other than exempt signs, come back to the Architectural Review Committee for approval.
- Street, sidewalk and public services requirements: The subject property is developed with sidewalks and public services are available.

#### **Environmental Determination:**

The proposed project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) under the General Rule that states that CEQA applies only to projects which have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment (CEQA Guidelines §15061[b][3]).

#### **Recommended Findings:**

Staff recommends the Planning Commission make the following findings:

- 1. That the project is consistent with the Crescent City General Plan and Zoning Code.
- 2. That the project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) under the General Rule that CEQA does not apply.

#### **Recommended Actions:**

Staff recommends the Planning Commission take the following actions:

- 1. Open the public hearing to receive comments on the project.
- 2. Adopt the recommended findings.
- 3. Approve the project, subject to the attached conditions of approval and any other conditions adopted by the Planning Commission at the public hearing.

Attachments: A) Conditions of Approval

- B) Application
- C) Site Plans
- D) Aerial photo-map
- E) Site photos

# Use Permit 18-04 & Architectural Review #AR18-09 1180 Ninth Street, APN 118-370-18

### **Conditions of Approval**

On January 10, 2019, the Planning Commission approved the above applications, subject to the following conditions:

- 1. The approval is for the sales of retail tobacco products.
- 2. Prior to issuance of the Certificate of Occupancy, the applicant shall provide four (four) total parking spaces.
- 3. Prior to installing any new signs, other than exempt signs, the applicant shall submit a sign permit application, subject to the approval of the Architectural Review Committee. Throughout the life of the project, the applicant shall not display or allow to be displayed any non-exempt signs not authorized under the sign permit.
- 4. The applicant shall display advertising in conformance with the standards set forth in CCMC Title 17 Zoning, Chapter 17.91
- 5. All tobacco products must be in locked cases and there must be vendor assisted sales. The applicant shall not permit self-service sales of tobacco products.
- 6. The applicant shall not sell tobacco products to minors.
- 7. The premises including the building exterior shall be maintained and shall not be allowed to fall into disrepair.
- 8. The applicant shall provide exterior trash cans and the premises shall be kept free of litter and debris. Trash cans must be emptied daily.
- 9. The applicant shall submit a lighting plan to the Community Development Department for approval if any exterior lighting is added. All exterior lighting shall be shielded and downcast to prevent excessive glare on adjacent roadways and properties.
- 10. The applicant shall comply with all applicable State & Federal laws governing the sale of tobacco products.
- 11. The Conditional Use Permit Shall be renewed in one year form the date of issuance.

# CITY OF CRESCENT CITY Development Permit Application

Return completed application to: Planning Department 377 J Street Crescent City, CA 95531 (707) 464-9506 (707) 465-4405 fax

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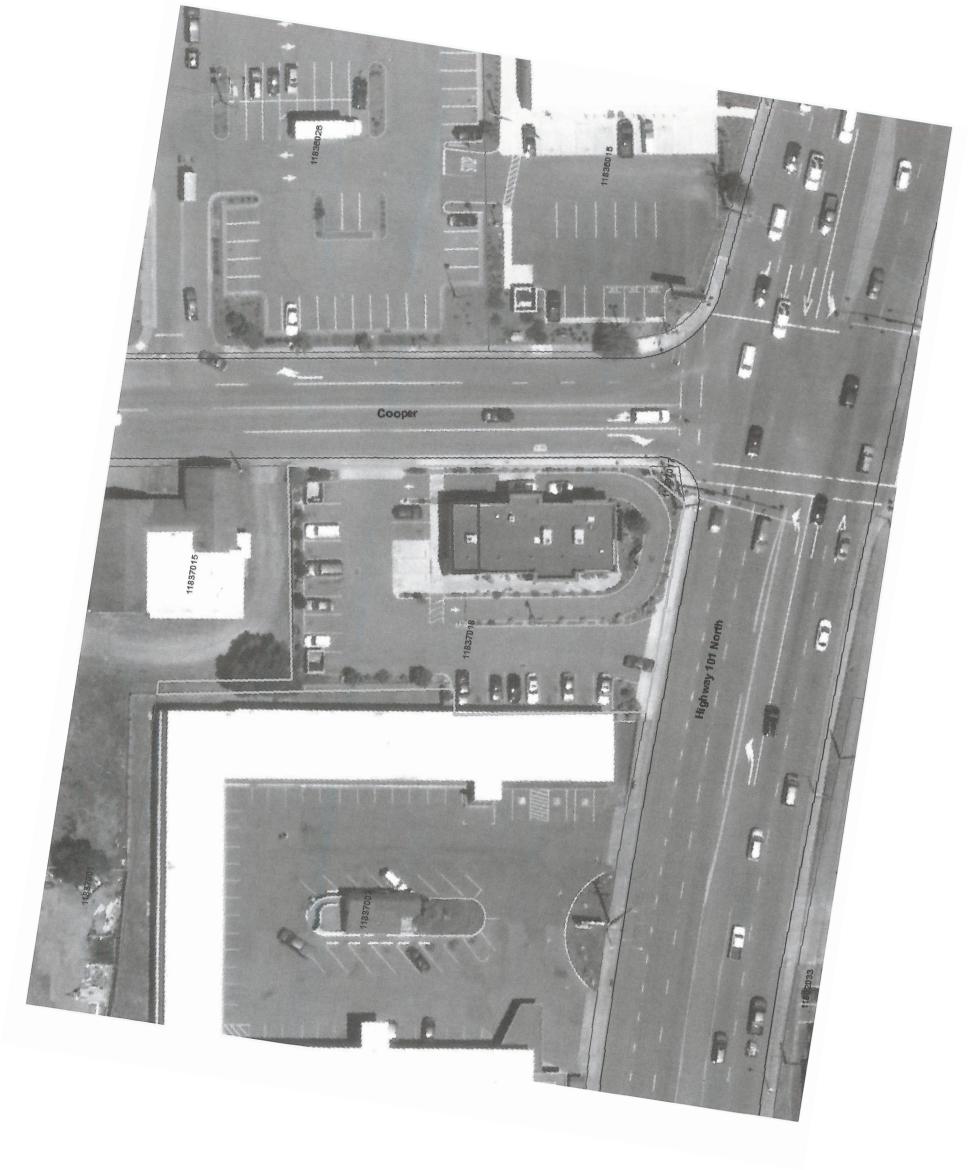
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REQUIRED Supplemental	□ Application Form       Project plans: *         □ Application Fee       □ Building floor plans and elevations         □ Preliminary grading/drainage plans       □ Landscaping/irrigation plans/dumpster         □ Supplemental Application Forms (variance home occupation, etc.       □ Sign plans/elevations         □ Project property deed(s)       □ Subdivision/lot line adjustment map         □ Written Project Description       □ Preliminary Title Report         □ Proof of applicant's legal interest in the property (escrow, etc.)       □ Special Project Justification/per code							
*Project Plans: For Subdivision one set of full size plans and/or one set not to exceed 11" by 18" in size are to be provided. Specific information may be required for plans - ask staff for additional information.								
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Looking east toward suite B from parking lot.



Looking west toward parking lot



# Crescent City Planning Commission January 10, 2018 Staff Report

Agenda Item# IV.A.

**Application #: ER18-01** 

Project:

Lot Size:

Environmental Review for the City of Crescent City Storm Drain Rehabilitation Project.

**Applicant:** 

City of Crescent City

Site Address:

Beachfront Park

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APN:

Various

N/A

Project Size: N/A

General Plan Land Use: Open Space/Visitor local Commercial/Single Family/Multifamily/Business Professional Zoning: Coastal Zone Open Space/City Right of Way

**Surrounding Zoning/Uses:** Open space consisting of Beachfront Park and the Crescent City Harbor and a mix of developed residential and commercial neighborhoods.

Background & Project Description: In 2018 the City of Crescent City received a Community Development Block Grant to fund the rehabilitation of a portion of the City's storm drain system. Specifically, the proposed project includes a major storm drain capacity improvement project on Front Street, C Street, and F Street. The storm drains in this area of the city have proven inadequate and cause yearly flooding of major collector streets including Front Street and Fifth Street, intersections, and residential properties. Multiple times each year during these events emergency responders from the City Police Department, Fire Department, and Public Works are asked to respond to barricade and post warning signs on flooded streets and intersections, warn residents, and rescue stranded motorists. The flooding has caused thousands of dollars in damage to properties and in some cases forced residents to temporarily evacuate their homes.

The improvements required to resolve the flooding include increasing the storm drain system capacity to meet current acceptable design standards for public life, safety, and property. Design criteria used for the proposed storm drain improvement project has sufficient capacity to convey a once every 10-year storm event on local minor streets, a once every 25-year storm event on major collector streets, and a 100-year storm event for buildings. To accomplish this, the City will install a redundant and/or larger storm drain piping system within the C Street drainage basin between 5<sup>th</sup> Street and Howe Drive, and F Street drainage basin between Front Street and 5<sup>th</sup> Street.

The proposed project has several components including the installation of approximately 800' new 60-inch HDPE main line within the C Street ROW & Beachfront Park between Front Street and Howe Drive. Excavation for the 60" main will reach a maximum depth of 12'. The installation of the new main requires the construction of an additional outfall behind the Waste Water Treatment Plant. The new outfall design includes a box culvert to accommodate the 60" main line and rock armoring to prevent erosion. Excavation for the outfall will reach an approximate depth of 15'. A storm water separator will be installed near the inflow end of the 60' main approximately 700' north of the storm drain system outfall. The purpose of the separator is to remove trash from the storm water before it enters the Crescent City Harbor.

A 48-inch HDPE storm drain pipe will be installed on Front Street between C Street and F Street and a failing CMP storm drain on Front Street between F Street and H Street will be replaced with a new 48" line. Furthermore, a new 36" HDPE pipe will be installed within the C Street ROW between Front and 4<sup>th</sup> Street, a new 24" HDPE pipe will be installed within the 4<sup>th</sup> Street ROW between C & D Street, and a 24"



HDPE pipe will be installed within the D Street ROW between 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Street. Lastly, a failing CMP line located within the F Street ROW between Front Street and 5th Street will be replaced. Replacement includes installing a new 42" HDPE pipe and a 36" HDPE pipe within the ROW and abandoning an inadequate Storm Drain currently located under residential properties outside of the City Right of Way. Excavation depths will range from 10 to 15 feet (refer to attached project plans for further details).

The proposed project will require the reconstruction and/or repair of the subject roadways. As such, the proposed project includes the construction of 44 new ADA compliant Access Ramps, 26,000 square feet of sidewalk, and over 2600 LF of curb and gutter. Approximately 2,000 lineal feet of Front Street between B Street and H Street will be reconfigured with mediums to divide the one lane road into two lanes. The lanes will narrower than the current configuration for traffic control & safety. Furthermore, that portion of Front Street between E Street and H Street will be divided thereby creating two lanes of travel on the north half of the roadway and the existing south half of the road will be converted to public parking (refer to attached Front Street design plan further details).

#### **ANALYSIS**

The California Environmental Quality Act is clear in that when a lead agency is reviewing a project it needs to consider the facts and substantial evidence:

Pursuant to CEQA Section 21080, substantial evidence includes "facts, reasonable assumptions predicated upon facts, and expert opinion supported by facts." It does not include "argument, speculation, unsubstantiated opinion or narrative, evidence which is clearly inaccurate or erroneous, or evidence of social or economic impacts which do not contribute to, or are not caused by, physical impacts on the environment."

Further, public controversy over the possible environmental effects of a project is not sufficient reason to require an EIR "if there is no substantial evidence in light of the whole record before the lead agency that the project may have a significant effect on the environment" (Section 21082.2).

Upon adopting a Mitigated Negative Declaration, the Lead Agency must make both of the following findings:

Revisions in the project plans or proposals made by, or agreed to by, the applicant before the proposed negative declaration and initial study are released for public review would avoid the effects or mitigate the effects to a point where clearly no significant effect on the environment would occur.

There is no substantial evidence in light of the whole record before the public agency that the project, as revised, may have a significant effect on the environment. (Sections 21064.5 and 21080(c)).

After considering the project as a whole it was determined that the project with proposed mitigation measures would not have a significant impact on the environment and a Mitigated Negative Declaration was prepared (refer to attached Mitigated Negative Declaration for further details).

#### **Public Comment**

Per CEQA Guidelines 15073, agencies must afford the public the opportunity to comment on a proposed negative declaration. The Notice of Intent to adopt the Mitigated Negative Declaration was published in the Daily Triplicate and filed with the County Clerk for a period of 30 days. To date the City has not received any public comments.

# **Agency Comment**

Per CEQA Guidelines 15073 when a proposed negative declaration or mitigated negative declaration and initial study have been have been submitted to the State Clearinghouse for review by state agencies, the public review period shall be at least as long as the review period established by the State Clearinghouse which is 30 days. The subject Mitigated Declaration was received, forwarded and posted for agency review by the Clearinghouse on November 19, 2018 (SCH#2018112051). The review period closed on December 18, 2018.

One comment was received from the Native American Heritage Commission. Concerns were raised about government to government consultation, specific discussion of tribal resources in the checklist and mitigation measures for inadvertent discoveries of human remains. However, the archaeological consultant personally met with tribal representatives to discuss the project and potential impacts. Furthermore, the City did send written notification and received written responses from tribal preservation officers. The tribes asked to be notified prior to the start of construction so that they may monitor excavation activities if they so choose. Furthermore, a mitigation measure for response to the inadvertent discovery of human remains has been added.

The City did not receive any other agency comments.

# **Environmental Determination:**

A Mitigated Negative Declaration was prepared pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA Guidelines §15073), which covers projects that meet the following criteria:

- (a) The initial study shows that there is no substantial evidence, in light of the whole record before the agency, that the project may have a significant effect on the environment, or
- (b) The initial study identifies potentially significant effects, but:
- (1) Revisions in the project plans or proposals made by, agreed to by the applicant before a proposed mitigated negative declaration and initial study are released for public review would avoid the effects or mitigate the effects to a point where clearly no significant effects would occur, and
- (2) There is no substantial evidence, in light of the whole record before the agency, that the project as revised may have a significant effect on the environment.

The Mitigated Negative Declaration (SCH # 2018112051) was submitted to the State Clearinghouse for agency review. No agency comments have been submitted (refer to attached State Clearinghouse letter for further details).

The Notice of Intent to adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration was published on December 11, 2018, which began a 30-day public comment period which ended on January 10, 2019. To date the City did not receive any public comments on the proposed project.

The Notice of Intent to adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration was filed with the County Clerk Recorder on December 5, 2018, which began a 30-day public comment period which ended on January 10, 2019. To date the City did not receive any public comments on the proposed project.

#### **Recommended Findings:**

Staff recommends that the Planning Commission make the following findings:

- 1. Revisions in the project plans or proposals made by, or agreed to by, the applicant before the proposed negative declaration and initial study are released for public review would avoid the effects or mitigate the effects to a point where clearly no significant effect on the environment would occur.
- 2. There is no substantial evidence, in light of the whole record before the agency, that the project as revised may have a significant effect on the environment.

#### **Recommended Actions:**

Staff recommends that the Planning Commission take the following actions:

- 1. Open the public hearing to receive comments on the project.
- 2. Adopt the recommended findings.

- Attachments: A) Letter from State Clearing House
  - B) Notice of Intent/proof of publication
  - C) Notice of Completion
  - D) Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration
  - E) Response letter from NAHC



#### STATE OF CALIFORNIA

# Governor's Office of Planning and Research State Clearinghouse and Planning Unit



December 19, 2018

Eric Taylor Crescent City 377 J Street Crescent City, CA 95531

Subject: City of Crescent City Storm Drain Improvement Project (CEQA)

SCH#: 2018112051

Dear Eric Taylor:

The State Clearinghouse submitted the above named Mitigated Negative Declaration to selected state agencies for review. On the enclosed Document Details Report please note that the Clearinghouse has listed the state agencies that reviewed your document. The review period closed on December 18, 2018, and the comments from the responding agency (ies) is (are) enclosed. If this comment package is not in order, please notify the State Clearinghouse immediately. Please refer to the project's ten-digit State Clearinghouse number in future correspondence so that we may respond promptly.

Please note that Section 21104(c) of the California Public Resources Code states that:

"A responsible or other public agency shall only make substantive comments regarding those activities involved in a project which are within an area of expertise of the agency or which are required to be carried out or approved by the agency. Those comments shall be supported by specific documentation."

These comments are forwarded for use in preparing your final environmental document. Should you need more information or clarification of the enclosed comments, we recommend that you contact the commenting agency directly.

This letter acknowledges that you have complied with the State Clearinghouse review requirements for draft environmental documents, pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act. Please contact the State Clearinghouse at (916) 445-0613 if you have any questions regarding the environmental review process.

Sincerely,

Scott Morgan

Director, State Clearinghouse

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Enclosures

cc: Resources Agency

### **Document Details Report** State Clearinghouse Data Base

SCH# 2018112051

Project Title City of Crescent City Storm Drain Improvement Project (CEQA)

Lead Agency Crescent City

> MND Mitigated Negative Declaration Type

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### **Lead Agency Contact**

Name Eric Taylor

Crescent City Agency

Phone (707) 464-9506 x 236

email

Address 377 J Street

City Crescent City Fax

State CA Zip 95531

#### Project Location

County Del Norte

> City Crescent City

Region

Lat / Long

41° .750' .584" N / 124° .199' .031" W

Cross Streets

Front St, Second St, Howe Dr, C St, F St, H St

Parcel No.

Township

16N

Range 1W Section

29

**HBM** Base

#### Proximity to:

Highways 101

**Airports** Dale Rupert

Railways

Waterways

Crescent City Harbor

Schools

Crescent Elk

Land Use

mix of residential/commercial and OS, GP - VLC, BP, MF, CZHR & CZO

#### Project Issues

Aesthetic/Visual; Agricultural Land; Air Quality; Archaeologic-Historic; Biological Resources; Cumulative Effects; Flood Plain/Flooding; Forest Land/Fire Hazard; Geologic/Seismic; Growth Inducing; Landuse; Minerals; Noise; Population/Housing Balance; Public Services; Recreation/Parks; Sewer Capacity; Soil Erosion/Compaction/Grading; Solid Waste; Toxic/Hazardous; Traffic/Circulation; Vegetation; Water Quality; Water Supply; Wetland/Riparian; Coastal Zone

#### Reviewing Agencies

Resources Agency; California Coastal Commission; Office of Historic Preservation; Department of Parks and Recreation; Department of Water Resources; Caltrans, Division of Aeronautics; California Highway Patrol; Caltrans, District 1; Department of Fish and Wildlife, Region 1E; Office of Emergency Services, California; Regional Water Quality Control Board, Region 1; State Water Resources Control Board, Divison of Financial Assistance; Department of Toxic Substances Control; Native American Heritage Commission; State Lands Commission

Date Received

11/19/2018

Start of Review 11/19/2018

End of Review 12/18/2018

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NATIVE AMERICAN HERITAGE COMMISSION

Environmental and Cultural Department 1550 Harbor Blvd., Suite 100 West Sacramento, CA 95691 Phone (916) 373-3710





November 29, 2018

Governor's Office of Planning & Research

Eric Taylor City of Crescent City 377 J Street Crescent City, CA 95531 DEC 03 2018 STATE CLEARINGHOUSE

Re: SCH# 2018112051, City of Crescent City Storm Drain Improvement Project, City of Crescent City; Del Norte County, California

Dear Mr. Taylor:

The Native American Heritage Commission (NAHC) has reviewed the Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) prepared for the project referenced above. The review included the Project Description; the Initial Study Environmental Checklist, section 5, Cultural Resources prepared by Roscoe & Associates for the City of Crescent City. We have the following concerns:

- There is no Tribal Cultural Resources section or subsection in the Initial Study / Environmental Checklist as per California Natural Resources Agency (2016) "Final Text for tribal cultural resources update to Appendix G: Environmental Checklist Form," <a href="http://resources.ca.gov/ceqa/docs/ab52/Clean-final-AB-52-App-G-text-Submitted.pdf">http://resources.ca.gov/ceqa/docs/ab52/Clean-final-AB-52-App-G-text-Submitted.pdf</a> Questions of significance for Tribal Cultural Resources are not addressed.
- There is no documentation of government-to-government consultation by the lead agency under AB-52 with Native
  American tribes traditionally and culturally affiliated to the project area as required by statute, or that mitigation
  measures were developed in consultation with the tribes. The Cultural Resources report refers the City specifically to
  two culturally affiliated tribes for consultation.
- Mitigation for inadvertent finds of Archaeological Resources, Cultural Resources, Tribal Cultural Resources, or Human Remains is missing or incomplete. Standard mitigation measures should be included in the document. Please refer to Health and Safety Code § 7050.5 and Public Resources Code § 5097.98 for the process for inadvertent finds of human remains. Sample mitigation measures for Tribal Cultural Resources can be found in the CEQA guidelines at <a href="http://opr.ca.gov/docs/Revised\_AB\_52\_Technical\_Advisory\_March\_2017.pdf">http://opr.ca.gov/docs/Revised\_AB\_52\_Technical\_Advisory\_March\_2017.pdf</a>

Please contact me at gayle.totton@nahc.ca.gov or call (916) 373-3714 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Garde Totton, B.S., M.A., Ph.D.

Associate Governmental Project Analyst

Attachment

cc: State Clearinghouse

#### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

The California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA)1, specifically Public Resources Code section 21084.1, states that a project that may cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a historical resource is a project that may have a significant effect on the environment.2 If there is substantial evidence, in light of the whole record before a lead agency, that a project may have a significant effect on the environment, an environmental impact report (EIR) shall be prepared.3 In order to determine whether a project will cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a historical resource, a lead agency will need to determine whether there are historical resources with the area of project effect (APE).

CEQA was amended in 2014 by Assembly Bill 52. (AB 52).4 AB 52 applies to any project for which a notice of preparation or a notice of negative declaration or mitigated negative declaration is filed on or after July 1, 2015. AB 52 created a separate category for "tribal cultural resources"<sup>5</sup>, that now includes "a project with an effect that may cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a tribal cultural resource is a project that may have a significant effect on the environment.6 Public agencies shall, when feasible, avoid damaging effects to any tribal cultural resource.7 Your project may also be subject to Senate Bill 18 (SB 18) (Burton, Chapter 905, Statutes of 2004), Government Code 65352.3, if it also involves the adoption of or amendment to a general plan or a specific plan, or the designation or proposed designation of open space. Both SB 18 and AB 52 have tribal consultation requirements. Additionally, if your project is also subject to the federal National Environmental Policy Act (42 U.S.C. § 4321 et seq.) (NEPA), the tribal consultation requirements of Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 19668 may also apply.

Consult your legal counsel about compliance with AB 52 and SB 18 as well as compliance with any other applicable

Agencies should be aware that AB 52 does not preclude agencies from initiating tribal consultation with tribes that are traditionally and culturally affiliated with their jurisdictions before the timeframes provided in AB 52. For that reason, we urge you to continue to request Native American Tribal Consultation Lists and Sacred Lands File searches from the NAHC. The request forms can be found online at: http://nahc.ca.gov/resources/forms/. Additional information regarding AB 52 can be found online at http://nahc.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2015/10/AB52TribalConsultation CalEPAPDF.pdf, entitled "Tribal Consultation Under AB 52: Requirements and Best Practices".

The NAHC recommends lead agencies consult with all California Native American tribes that are traditionally and culturally affiliated with the geographic area of your proposed project as early as possible in order to avoid inadvertent discoveries of Native American human remains and best protect tribal cultural resources.

A brief summary of portions of AB 52 and SB 18 as well as the NAHC's recommendations for conducting cultural resources assessments is also attached.

#### Pertinent Statutory Information:

#### Under AB 52:

AB 52 has added to CEQA the additional requirements listed below, along with many other requirements: Within fourteen (14) days of determining that an application for a project is complete or of a decision by a public agency to undertake a project, a lead agency shall provide formal notification to a designated contact of, or tribal representative of. traditionally and culturally affiliated California Native American tribes that have requested notice.

A lead agency shall begin the consultation process within 30 days of receiving a request for consultation from a California Native American tribe that is traditionally and culturally affiliated with the geographic area of the proposed project. 9 and prior to the release of a negative declaration, mitigated negative declaration or environmental impact report. For purposes of AB 52, "consultation shall have the same meaning as provided in Gov. Code § 65352.4 (SB 18).10

The following topics of consultation, if a tribe requests to discuss them, are mandatory topics of consultation:

- a. Alternatives to the project.
- b. Recommended mitigation measures.
- c. Significant effects.11
- 1. The following topics are discretionary topics of consultation:
  - a. Type of environmental review necessary.
  - b. Significance of the tribal cultural resources.

<sup>1</sup> Pub. Resources Code § 21000 et seg.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Pub. Resources Code § 21084.1; Cal. Code Regs., tit.14, § 15064.5 (b); CEQA Guidelines Section 15064.5 (b)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Pub. Resources Code § 21080 (d); Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14, § 15064 subd.(a)(1); CEQA Guidelines § 15064 (a)(1)

<sup>4</sup> Government Code 65352.3

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Pub. Resources Code § 21074

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Pub. Resources Code § 21084.2-

Pub. Resources Code § 21084.3 (a)

<sup>8 154</sup> U.S.C. 300101, 36 C.F.R. § 800 et seq.

<sup>9</sup> Pub. Resources Code § 21080.3.1, subds. (d) and (e)

<sup>10</sup> Pub. Resources Code § 21080.3.1 (b) 11 Pub. Resources Code § 21080.3.2 (a)

c. Significance of the project's impacts on tribal cultural resources.

If necessary, project alternatives or appropriate measures for preservation or mitigation that the tribe may recommend to the lead agency. 12

With some exceptions, any information, including but not limited to, the location, description, and use of tribal cultural resources submitted by a California Native American tribe during the environmental review process shall not be included in the environmental document or otherwise disclosed by the lead agency or any other public agency to the public, consistent with Government Code sections 6254 (r) and 6254.10. Any information submitted by a California Native American tribe during the consultation or environmental review process shall be published in a confidential appendix to the environmental document unless the tribe that provided the information consents, in writing, to the disclosure of some or all of the information to the public. 13

If a project may have a significant impact on a tribal cultural resource, the lead agency's environmental document shall discuss both of the following:

- a. Whether the proposed project has a significant impact on an identified tribal cultural resource.
- Whether feasible alternatives or mitigation measures, including those measures that may be agreed to pursuant to Public Resources Code section 21082.3, subdivision (a), avoid or substantially lessen the impact on the identified tribal cultural resource. 14

Consultation with a tribe shall be considered concluded when either of the following occurs:

- a. The parties agree to measures to mitigate or avoid a significant effect, if a significant effect exists, on a tribal cultural resource: or
- b. A party, acting in good faith and after reasonable effort, concludes that mutual agreement cannot be reached. 15 Any mitigation measures agreed upon in the consultation conducted pursuant to Public Resources Code section 21080.3.2 shall be recommended for inclusion in the environmental document and in an adopted mitigation monitoring and reporting program, if determined to avoid or lessen the impact pursuant to Public Resources Code section 21082.3, subdivision (b), paragraph 2, and shall be fully enforceable. 16

If mitigation measures recommended by the staff of the lead agency as a result of the consultation process are not included in the environmental document or if there are no agreed upon mitigation measures at the conclusion of consultation, or if consultation does not occur, and if substantial evidence demonstrates that a project will cause a significant effect to a tribal cultural resource, the lead agency shall consider feasible mitigation pursuant to Public Resources Code section 21084.3

An environmental impact report may not be certified, nor may a mitigated negative declaration or a negative declaration be adopted unless one of the following occurs:

- a. The consultation process between the tribes and the lead agency has occurred as provided in Public Resources Code sections 21080.3.1 and 21080.3.2 and concluded pursuant to Public Resources Code section 21080.3.2.
- b. The tribe that requested consultation failed to provide comments to the lead agency or otherwise failed to engage in the consultation process.
- c. The lead agency provided notice of the project to the tribe in compliance with Public Resources Code section 21080.3.1 (d) and the tribe failed to request consultation within 30 days. 18

This process should be documented in the Tribal Cultural Resources section of your environmental document.

#### Under SB 18:

Government Code § 65352.3 (a) (1) requires consultation with Native Americans on general plan proposals for the purposes of "preserving or mitigating impacts to places, features, and objects described § 5097.9 and § 5091.993 of the Public Resources Code that are located within the city or county's jurisdiction. Government Code § 65560 (a), (b), and (c) provides for consultation with Native American tribes on the open-space element of a county or city general plan for the purposes of protecting places, features, and objects described in Sections 5097.9 and 5097.993 of the Public Resources Code.

- SB 18 applies to local governments and requires them to contact, provide notice to, refer plans to, and consult with tribes prior to the adoption or amendment of a general plan or a specific plan, or the designation of open space. Local governments should consult the Governor's Office of Planning and Research's "Tribal Consultation Guidelines," which can be found online at: https://www.opr.ca.gov/docs/09 14 05 Updated Guidelines 922.pdf
- Tribal Consultation: If a local government considers a proposal to adopt or amend a general plan or a specific plan, or to designate open space it is required to contact the appropriate tribes identified by the NAHC by requesting a "Tribal Consultation List." If a tribe, once contacted, requests consultation the local government must consult with the tribe on the plan proposal. A tribe has 90 days from the date of receipt of notification to request consultation unless a shorter timeframe has been agreed to by the tribe. 19
- There is no Statutory Time Limit on Tribal Consultation under the law.

<sup>12</sup> Pub. Resources Code § 21080.3.2 (a)

<sup>13</sup> Pub. Resources Code § 21082.3 (c)(1)

<sup>14</sup> Pub. Resources Code § 21082.3 (b)

<sup>15</sup> Pub. Resources Code § 21080.3.2 (b)

<sup>16</sup> Pub. Resources Code § 21082.3 (a)

<sup>17</sup> Pub. Resources Code § 21082.3 (e) 18 Pub. Resources Code § 21082.3 (d)

<sup>19 (</sup>Gov. Code § 65352.3 (a)(2)).

- <u>Confidentiality</u>: Consistent with the guidelines developed and adopted by the Office of Planning and Research,<sup>20</sup> the city or county shall protect the confidentiality of the information concerning the specific identity, location, character, and use of places, features and objects described in Public Resources Code sections 5097.9 and 5097.993 that are within the city's or county's jurisdiction.<sup>21</sup>
- Conclusion Tribal Consultation: Consultation should be concluded at the point in which:
  - The parties to the consultation come to a mutual agreement concerning the appropriate measures for preservation or mitigation; or
  - Either the local government or the tribe, acting in good faith and after reasonable effort, concludes that mutual agreement cannot be reached concerning the appropriate measures of preservation or mitigation.<sup>22</sup>

#### NAHC Recommendations for Cultural Resources Assessments:

- Contact the NAHC for:
  - A Sacred Lands File search. Remember that tribes do not always record their sacred sites in the Sacred Lands
    File, nor are they required to do so. A Sacred Lands File search is not a substitute for consultation with tribes that
    are traditionally and culturally affiliated with the geographic area of the project's APE.
  - A Native American Tribal Contact List of appropriate tribes for consultation concerning the project site and to assist in planning for avoidance, preservation in place, or, failing both, mitigation measures.

The request form can be found at <a href="http://nahc.ca.gov/resources/forms/">http://nahc.ca.gov/resources/forms/</a>

 Contact the appropriate regional California Historical Research Information System (CHRIS) Center (<a href="http://ohp.parks.ca.gov/?page\_id=1068">http://ohp.parks.ca.gov/?page\_id=1068</a>) for an archaeological records search. The records search will determine:

o If part or the entire APE has been previously surveyed for cultural resources.

o If any known cultural resources have been already been recorded on or adjacent to the APE.

o If the probability is low, moderate, or high that cultural resources are located in the APE.

o If a survey is required to determine whether previously unrecorded cultural resources are present.

- If an archaeological inventory survey is required, the final stage is the preparation of a professional report detailing the findings and recommendations of the records search and field survey.
  - The final report containing site forms, site significance, and mitigation measures should be submitted immediately to the planning department. All information regarding site locations, Native American human remains, and associated funerary objects should be in a separate confidential addendum and not be made available for public disclosure.
  - The final written report should be submitted within 3 months after work has been completed to the appropriate regional CHRIS center.

# Examples of Mitigation Measures That May Be Considered to Avoid or Minimize Significant Adverse Impacts to Tribal Cultural Resources:

- Avoidance and preservation of the resources in place, including, but not limited to:
  - Planning and construction to avoid the resources and protect the cultural and natural context.
  - Planning greenspace, parks, or other open space, to incorporate the resources with culturally appropriate protection and management criteria.
- Treating the resource with culturally appropriate dignity, taking into account the tribal cultural values and meaning of the resource, including, but not limited to, the following:
  - Protecting the cultural character and integrity of the resource.
  - Protecting the traditional use of the resource.
  - Protecting the confidentiality of the resource.
- Permanent conservation easements or other interests in real property, with culturally appropriate management criteria for the purposes of preserving or utilizing the resources or places.
- Please note that a federally recognized California Native American tribe or a non-federally recognized California Native American tribe that is on the contact list maintained by the NAHC to protect a California prehistoric, archaeological, cultural, spiritual, or ceremonial place may acquire and hold conservation easements if the conservation easement is voluntarily conveyed.<sup>23</sup>
- Please note that it is the policy of the state that Native American remains and associated grave artifacts shall be repatriated.<sup>24</sup>

The lack of surface evidence of archaeological resources (including tribal cultural resources) does not preclude their subsurface existence.

 Lead agencies should include in their mitigation and monitoring reporting program plan provisions for the identification and evaluation of inadvertently discovered archaeological resources.<sup>25</sup> In areas of identified

21 (Gov. Code § 65352.3 (b)).

23 (Civ. Code § 815.3 (c)).

24 (Pub. Resources Code § 5097.991).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>20</sup> pursuant to Gov. Code section 65040.2,

<sup>(2005)</sup> at p. 18).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>25</sup> per Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14, section 15064.5(f) (CEQA Guidelines section 15064.5(f)).

- archaeological sensitivity, a certified archaeologist and a culturally affiliated Native American with knowledge of cultural resources should monitor all ground-disturbing activities.
- <u>Lead agencies</u> should include in their mitigation and monitoring reporting program plans provisions for the
   <u>disposition of recovered cultural items</u> that are not burial associated in consultation with culturally affiliated Native
   Americans.
- Lead agencies should include in their mitigation and monitoring reporting program plans provisions for the treatment and disposition of inadvertently discovered Native American human remains. Health and Safety Code section 7050.5, Public Resources Code section 5097.98, and Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14, section 15064.5, subdivisions (d) and (e) (CEQA Guidelines section 15064.5, subds. (d) and (e)) address the processes to be followed in the event of an inadvertent discovery of any Native American human remains and associated grave goods in a location other than a dedicated cemetery.

# CITY OF CRESCENT CITY PLANNING COMMISSION

DEC 0.5 2018

### NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION

ALISSIA D. NORTHRUP CLERK/RECORDER

NOTICE is hereby given that the Crescent City Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on January 10, 2019 at 5:30 p.m. at the Flynn Center, County Board of Supervisors Chambers, 981 H Street, Crescent City, California to consider adopting a Mitigated Negative Declaration for the following projects:

Application #: ER18-01

Project:

Storm Drain Improvement Project

Applicant:

City of Crescent City Public Works Department

Location:

The proposed project is in the Incorporated City of Crescent City between Fifth

Street & Howe Drive and C Street & H Street.

**Description:** The proposed project includes a major storm drain capacity improvement project on Front Street, C Street, and F Street in Crescent City, California. The existing storm drains have proven inadequate and cause yearly flooding of major collector streets including Front Street and Fifth Street, intersections, and residential properties. Multiple times each year during these events emergency responders from the City Police Department, Fire Department, and Public Works are asked to respond to barricade and post warning signs on flooded streets and intersections, warn residents, and rescue stranded motorists. The flooding has caused thousands of dollars in damage to properties and in some cases forced residents to temporarily evacuate their homes.

The improvements required to resolve the flooding include increasing the storm drain system capacity to meet current acceptable design standards for public life, safety, and property. Design criteria used for the proposed storm drain improvement project has sufficient capacity to convey a once every 10-year storm event on local minor streets, a once every 25-year storm event on major collector streets, and a 100-year storm event for buildings. To accomplish this, the City will install a redundant and/or larger storm drain piping system within the C Street drainage basin between 5th Street and Howe Drive, and F Street drainage basin between Front Street and 5<sup>th</sup> Street.

The proposed project has several components including the installation of approximately 800' new 60-inch HDPE main line within the C Street ROW & Beachfront Park between Front Street and Howe Drive. Excavation for the 60" main will reach a maximum depth of 12'. The installation of the new main requires the construction of an additional outfall behind the Waste Water Treatment Plant. The new outfall design includes a box culvert to accommodate the 60" main line and rock armoring to prevent erosion. Excavation for the outfall will reach an approximate depth of 15'. A storm water separator will be installed near the inflow end of the 60' main approximately 700' north of the storm drain system outfall. The purpose of the separator is to remove trash from the storm water before it enters the Crescent City Harbor.

A 48-inch HDPE storm drain pipe will be installed on Front Street between C Street and F Street and a failing CMP storm drain on Front Street between F Street and H Street will be replaced with a new 48" line. Furthermore, a new 36" HDPE pipe will be installed within the C Street ROW between Front and 4th Street, a new 24" HDPE pipe will be installed within the 4th Street ROW between C & D Street, and a 24" HDPE pipe will be installed within the D Street ROW

between 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Street. Lastly, a failing CMP line located within the F Street ROW between Front Street and 5th Street will be replaced. Replacement includes installing a new 42" HDPE pipe and a 36" HDPE pipe within the ROW and abandoning an inadequate Storm Drain currently located under residential properties outside of the City Right of Way. Excavation depths will range from 10 to 15 feet (refer to attached project plans for further details).

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The public comment period will begin on December 11, 2018 and will end at the end of the public hearing on January 10, 2019. The proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration and associated project documents are available for review at City Hall, 377 J Street, Crescent City, California 95531.

Interested persons are invited to appear at the hearing and inform the City, orally or in writing, of any concerns they have regarding this project. At the public hearing, staff will describe the project and provide a recommendation, followed by a public comment period and discussion and possible action by the Planning Commission.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Eric Taylor, Director of Community Development, at City Hall, 377 J Street, 464-9506, ext. 236.

Date:

December 5, 2018

Publish:

December 11, 2018

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The public comment period will begin on December 11, 2018 and will end at the end of the public hearing on January 10, 2019. The proposed Mitigatec Negative Declaration and associated project documents are available for review at City Hall, 377 J Street, Crescent City, California 95531.

Interested persons are invited to appear at the hearing and inform the City orally or in writing, of any concerns they have regarding this project. At the public hearing, staff will describe the project and provide a recommendation followed by a public comment period and discussion and possible action by the Planning Commission.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Eric Taylor Director of Community Development, at City Hall, 377 J Street, 464-9506 ext. 236

Date: December 5, 2018

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### Notice of Completion & Environmental Document Transmittal

Mail to: State Clearinghouse, P.O. Box 3044, Sacramento, CA 95812-3044 (916) 445-0613 SCH# For Hand Delivery/Street Address: 1400 Tenth Street, Sacramento, CA 95814 Project Title: City of Crescent City Storm Drain Improvement Project (CEQA) Lead Agency: City of Crescent City Contact Person: Eric Taylor Phone: 707-464-9506 ext 236 Mailing Address: 377 J Street County: Del Norte City: Crescent City Zip: 95531 City/Nearest Community: Crescent City Project Location: County: Del Norte Zip Code: 95531 Cross Streets: Front Street, Second Street, Howe Drive, C Street, F Street, H Street. Longitude/Latitude (degrees, minutes and seconds): 41 °750 '584 "N / -124 °199 '031 "W Total Acres: Range: R1W Assessor's Parcel No.: N/A Section: 29 Twp.: T16N Waterways: Crescent City Harbor Within 2 Miles: State Hwy #: 101 Schools: Crescent Elk Railways: N/A Airports: Dale Rupert Document Type: CEQA: NOP ☐ Draft EIR NEPA: ION I Other: ☐ Ioint Document Early Cons ☐ Supplement/Subsequent EIR EA Final Document ☐ Neg Dec (Prior SCH No.) ☐ Draft EIS Other: ☐ FONSI Mit Neg Dec Other: Local Action Type: Annexation General Plan Update Specific Plan Rezone General Plan Amendment ☐ Master Plan Prezone Redevelopment Planned Unit Development Coastal Permit ☐ General Plan Element ☐ Use Permit ☐ Land Division (Subdivision, etc.) ☐ Other: ☐ Site Plan ☐ Community Plan Development Type: Residential: Units Acres\_ Transportation: Type Acres \_\_\_\_ Employees\_\_\_\_\_ Sq.ft. Mineral Acres Employees\_\_\_\_\_ ☐ Mining: Commercial:Sq.ft. Power: Industrial: Sq.ft. \_\_\_\_\_ Acres\_\_\_\_\_ Employees Type Waste Treatment: Type ☐ Educational: Hazardous Waste: Type Recreational: ▼ Water Facilities: Type storm drain Other: Project Issues Discussed in Document: X Recreation/Parks X Vegetation ★ Aesthetic/Visual Fiscal X Water Quality ★ Agricultural Land X Flood Plain/Flooding ☐ Schools/Universities X Forest Land/Fire Hazard Septic Systems ■ Water Supply/Groundwater X Air Quality X Sewer Capacity × Wetland/Riparian X Archeological/Historical ▼ Geologic/Seismic ■ Soil Erosion/Compaction/Grading X Growth Inducement ★ Biological Resources × Minerals X Coastal Zone X Solid Waste X Land Use × Noise X Cumulative Effects ☐ Drainage/Absorption | Population/Housing Balance | Toxic/Hazardous X Public Services/Facilities X Traffic/Circulation ☐ Economic/Jobs Present Land Use/Zoning/General Plan Designation: Mix of Residential/Commercial and Open Space (CZHR, CZO, R2, RP), General Plan- VLC, BP, MF, CZHR & CZO. Project Description: (please use a separate page if necessary) The proposed project includes a major storm drain capacity improvement project on Front Street, C Street, and F Street in Crescent City, California. The existing storm drains have proven inadequate and cause yearly flooding of major collector streets including Front Street and Fifth Street, intersections, and residential properties. A new outfall will be installed adjacent to the existing outfall behind the wastewater treatment plant. The proposed project will require the reconstruction and/or repair of

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Note: The State Clearinghouse will assign identification numbers for all new projects. If a SCH number already exists for a project (e.g. Notice of Preparation or previous draft document) please fill in.

#### Reviewing Agencies Checklist Lead Agencies may recommend State Clearinghouse distribution by marking agencies below with and "X". If you have already sent your document to the agency please denote that with an "S". Office of Historic Preservation Air Resources Board Boating & Waterways, Department of Office of Public School Construction Parks & Recreation, Department of California Emergency Management Agency California Highway Patrol Pesticide Regulation, Department of Caltrans District #1 Public Utilities Commission Regional WQCB #NC 1 Caltrans Division of Aeronautics Caltrans Planning Resources Agency Central Valley Flood Protection Board Resources Recycling and Recovery, Department of Coachella Valley Mtns. Conservancy S.F. Bay Conservation & Development Comm. San Gabriel & Lower L.A. Rivers & Mtns. Conservancy Coastal Commission San Joaquin River Conservancy Colorado River Board Santa Monica Mtns. Conservancy Conservation, Department of Corrections, Department of State Lands Commission SWRCB: Clean Water Grants Delta Protection Commission \_\_\_\_\_ SWRCB: Water Quality Education, Department of SWRCB: Water Rights **Energy Commission** Fish & Game Region #1 Tahoe Regional Planning Agency Toxic Substances Control, Department of Food & Agriculture, Department of Forestry and Fire Protection, Department of Water Resources, Department of General Services, Department of Other: \_\_\_\_\_ Health Services, Department of Housing & Community Development Native American Heritage Commission Local Public Review Period (to be filled in by lead agency) Starting Date November 13, 2018 Ending Date December 13, 2018 Lead Agency (Complete if applicable):

 Consulting Firm:
 Applicant: City of Crescent City

 Address:
 377 J Street

 City/State/Zip:
 City/State/Zip: Crescent City, CA 95531

 Contact:
 Phone: 707-464-9506

Signature of Lead Agency Representative: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: 11/9/2018

Authority cited: Section 21083, Public Resources Code. Reference: Section 21161, Public Resources Code.



#### 377 J STREET CRESCENT CITY, CALIFORNIA 95531-4025

Administration/Finance: 707-464-7483 Utilities:

707-464-6517

Public Works/Planning:

707-464-9506

FAX:

707-465-4405

#### CEQA Initial Study / Mitigated Negative Declaration

Project Title:

City of Crescent City 2018 Storm Drain Improvement Project

Lead Agency Name and Address:

City of Crescent City

377 J Street

Crescent City, CA 95531

Project Location:

The proposed project is in the City of Crescent City between Fifth Street & Howe Drive and C Street & H Street (Refer to attached location map for further details).

Project Sponsor's Name and

Address:

City of Crescent City

377 J Street

Crescent City, CA 95531

General Plan Designation:

Visitor & Local Commercial, Buisness Professional, Multifamily,

Coastal Zone Harbor Related & Coastal Zone Open Space

Zoning:

Commercial Waterfront, R2 (Moderate Density Residential),

RP (Residential Professional), CZHR (Coastal Zone Harbor Related) &

CZO (Coastal Zone Open Space)

Contact Person:

Eric Taylor, Director of Community Development

Phone Number:

707-464-9506

Date Prepared:

November 8, 2018

Public Review Period:

November 13, 2018 to December 13, 2018

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Environmental Setting and Surrounding Land Uses: The proposed project area is entirely within the incorporated City of Crescent City. Most of the project area encompasses approximately fifteen city blocks developed with roads, public utilities, and a mix of commercial and residential structures. The southern portion of the proposed project is located within the 40 acres of Beachfront Park. The park is directly adjacent to the Crescent City Harbor and Front Beach.

#### The surrounding land uses include:

- North: Commercial/residential
- South: Open Space (Beachfront Park)
- East: Commercial

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West: Commercial/residential

Other public agencies whose approval/review is required (e.g., permits, financing approval, or participation agreement):

- City of Crescent City Building Department
- City of Crescent City Public Works Department
- U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
- California Coastal Commission
- Regional Water Quality Control Board
- Army Corps of Engineers
- California Department of Fish & Wildlife

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Environmental	Factors	Potentially	Affected:
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The environmental factors checked below would be potentially affected by this project, as indicated by the checklist and corresponding discussion on the following pages.

	Aesthetics	Resources		Air Quality
	Biological Resources	Cultural Resources		Geology and Soils
	Greenhouse Gas Emissions	Hazards/Hazardous Materials	$\boxtimes$	Hydrology/Water Quality
	Land Use/Planning	Mineral Resources	$\boxtimes$	Noise
	Population/Housing	Public Services		Recreation
$\boxtimes$	Transportation/Traffic	Utilities/Service Systems		Mandatory Findings of Significance

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DETER	CVILINATION: (10 be completed by the Lead Agency)				
On the basis of this initial evaluation:					
	I find that the proposed project COULD NOT have a significant effect on the environment, and a NEGATIVE DECLARATION will be prepared.				
	I find that although the proposed project could have a significant effect on the environment there will not be a significant effect in this case because revisions in the project have been made by or agreed to by the project proponent. A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION will be prepared.				
	I find that the proposed project MAY have a significant effect on the environment, and an ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT is required.				
	I find that the proposed project MAY have a "potentially significant impact" or "potentially significant unless mitigated" impact on the environment, but at least one effect 1) has been adequately analyzed in an earlier document pursuant to applicable legal standards, and 2) has been addressed by mitigation measures based on the earlier analysis as described on attached sheets. An ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT is required, but it must analyze only the effects that remain to be addressed.				
	I find that although the proposed project could have a significant effect on the environment, because all potentially significant effects (a) have been analyzed adequately in an earlier EIR or NEGATIVE DECLARATION pursuant to applicable standards, and (b) have been avoided or mitigated pursuant to that earlier EIR or NEGATIVE DECLARATION, including revisions or mitigation measures that are imposed upon the proposed project, nothing further is required.				
Prepares Signature: 5 Date 11/9/2018					

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# EVALUATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS:

		Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant With Mitigation Incorporate d	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
1,	AESTHETICS. Would the project:				
a)	Have a substantial adverse effect on a scenic vista?				
b)	Substantially damage scenic resources, including, but not limited to, trees, rock outcroppings, and historic buildings within a state scenic highway?				
c)	Substantially degrade the existing visual character or quality of the site and its surroundings?				
d)	Create a new source of substantial light or glare that would adversely affect day or nighttime views in the area?				

(a-d). The proposed project includes the replacement of and installation of underground storm drain lines, most of which is in existing City right of way. The storm drain lines will not be visible, no buildings or natural features will be damaged, and the project does not include the installation of any lighting. Therefore, there is no impact.

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2. AGRICULTURE AND FOREST RESOURCES. In determining whether impacts to agricultural resources are significant environmental effects, lead agencies may refer to the California Agricultural Land Evaluation and Site Assessment Model (1997), prepared by the California Department of Conservation as an optional model to use in assessing impacts on agriculture and farmland.  In determining whether impacts to forest resources, including timberland, are significant environmental effects, lead agencies may refer to information compiled by the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection regarding the state's inventory of forest land, including the Forest and Range Assessment Project and the Forest Legacy Assessment project; and forest carbon measurement methodology provided in Forest Protocols adopted by the California Air Resources Board.  Would the project:							
a)	Convert Prime Farmland, Unique Farmland, or Farmland of Statewide Importance (Farmland), as shown on the maps prepared pursuant to the Farmland Mapping and Monitoring Program of the California Resources Agency, to non-agricultural use?						
b)	Conflict with existing zoning for agricultural use, or a Williamson Act contract?						
0)	Conflict with existing zoning for, or cause rezoning of, forest land (as defined in Public Resources Code Section 12220(g)), timberland (as defined by Public Resources Code Section 4526), or timberland zoned Timberland Production (as defined by Government Code Section 51104(g))?				×		
d)	Result in the loss of forest land or conversion of forest land to non-forest use?						
e)	Involve other changes in the existing environment which, due to their location or nature, could result in conversion of Farmland to non-agricultural use or conversion of forest land to non-forest use?						
	( ) A Si of Consent City Conser	al Plan Policy	Document dated	May 21, 200	l. no		

(a-e) According to the City of Crescent City General Plan Policy Document dated May 21, 2001, no lands within the City of Crescent City are designated as farmlands or agricultural lands. Furthermore, the project is generally within paved public ROW. Therefore, there is no impact.

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508098960	AIR QUALITY. Where available, the significan agement or air pollution control district may be relied ject:	ance criteria upon to make	established by the following d	he applicable eterminations.	air quality Would the
a)	Conflict with or obstruct implementation of the applicable air quality plan?				
b)	Violate any air quality standard or contribute substantially to an existing or projected air quality violation?				
c)	Result in a cumulatively considerable net increase of any criteria pollutant for which the project region is in non-attainment under an applicable federal or state ambient air quality standard (including releasing emissions that exceed quantitative thresholds for ozone precursors)?				
d)	Expose sensitive receptors to substantial pollutant concentrations?				
e)	Create objectionable odors affecting a substantial number of people?				

(a-e) According to the most recent Ambient Air Quality Monitoring Status Report prepared by the North Coast Unified Air Quality Management District, Crescent City is in attainment for Federal and State ambient air quality standards (refer to attachment 3 for further details). (<a href="http://www.ncuaqmd.org/index.php?page=air.quality">http://www.ncuaqmd.org/index.php?page=air.quality</a>). The project will generate fine particulate matter from excavation work and the use of heavy equipment, but this will be temporary and not on a large enough scale to violate Federal or State air quality standards. The project will not generate a short or long term in traffic volume. Therefore, the proposed project will not violate any Federal air quality standards or cause Crescent City to reach non-attainment status

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4.	BIOLOGICAL RESOURCES. Would the pr	roject:				
a)	Have a substantial adverse effect, either directly or through habitat modifications, on any species identified as a candidate, sensitive, or special status species in local or regional plans, policies or regulations, or by the California Department of Fish and Game or U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service?					
b)	Have a substantial adverse effect on any riparian habitat or other sensitive natural community identified in local or regional plans, policies or regulations, or by the California Department of Fish and Game or U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service?		×			
c)	Have a substantial adverse effect on federally protected wetlands, as defined by Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (including, but not limited to, marsh, vernal pool, coastal wetlands, etc.), through direct removal, filling, hydrological interruption or other means?					
d)	Interfere substantially with the movement of any native resident or migratory fish or wildlife species or with established native resident or migratory wildlife corridors, or impede the use of native wildlife nursery sites?					
e)	Conflict with any local policies or ordinances protecting biological resources, such as a tree preservation policy or ordinance?					
ŋ	Conflict with the provisions of an adopted Habitat Conservation Plan, Natural Community Conservation Plan, or other approved local, regional or state habitat conservation plan?					
(a-f) Zack Larson & Associates conducted a biological assessment of the project area in April & August of 2018. The survey identified two separate wetland areas. The first area is located on a vacant parcel of land between Front Street and Second Street. This area has vegetation that is associated with wetlands. However, the site is surrounded by development and the vegetation is growing on an area of fill material placed onsite when the original storm drain system was installed. The area is outside of the coastal zone and does not have soils or wildlife that are indicative of an ESHA. No mitigation measures are proposed for this area.  The area around the outfall is in the Coastal Zone and does contain wetland soils and vegetation. Disturbance within this area requires a 4 to 1 ration for wetland mitigation. Therefore, the project proposes to set the new outfall approximately 30 feet back from the existing outfall channel thereby creating new wetland. A wildlife biologist will prepare a replanting and wetland mitigation plan. Disturbed areas will be replanted with native wetland vegetation and monitored for success. Subsequent replanting will be made if the initial planting does not survive. Wetlands will be surveyed every day prior to construction activities to						

ensure that special status plants and invertebrates are not inadvertently impacted. With the proposed mitigation measures the project will not result in adverse effects to ESHA (refer to attachment 5 for further details).

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5.	CULTURAL RESOURCES. Would the pro	ject:			
a)	Cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a historical resource as defined in ? 15064.5?				
b)	Cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of an archaeological resource pursuant to ? 15064.5?				
c)	Directly or indirectly destroy a unique paleontological resource or site or unique geological feature?				
d)	Disturb any human remains, including those interred outside of formal cemeteries?				

(a-d) An intensive archaeological investigation was conducted by Roscoe & Associates in the fall of 2018. The investigation did not uncover any documented archaeological resources within the project area. A site survey of the project area did not uncover any archaeological resources (refer to attachment 7 for further details). Furthermore, Roscoe consulted with local Native American representatives about the proposed project. No concerns were raised. However, they did request that the City notify them when the project commences. If inadvertent archaeological discoveries are made all work within 20 meters will immediately cease and a professional archaeologist will be brought in to inspect the cultural resource and make recommendations for mitigation measures. Recommended mitigation measures will be implemented.

If human remains are discovered during project construction, work will stop at the discovery location, within 20 meters, and any nearby area reasonably suspected to overlie adjacent to human remains. The Del Norte County Coroner shall be contacted immediately to examine the remains. The City and contractors shall comply with all relevant laws regarding the treatment and disposition of human remains and associated cultural materials.

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6.	GEOLOGY AND SOILS. Would the project:						
a)	Expose people or structures to potential substantial adverse effects, including the risk of loss, injury or death, involving:						
i)	Rupture of a known earthquake fault, as delineated on the most recent Alquist-Priolo Earthquake Fault Zoning Map issued by the State Geologist for the area or based on other substantial evidence of a known fault? Refer to Division of Mines and Geology Special Publication 42.						
ii)	Strong seismic ground shaking?			$\boxtimes$			
iii)	Seismic-related ground failure, including liquefaction?			$\boxtimes$			
iv)	Landslides?						
b)	Result in substantial soil erosion or the loss of topsoil?						
c)	Be located on a geologic unit or soil that is unstable, or that would become unstable as a result of the project, and potentially result in onor off-site landslide, lateral spreading, subsidence, liquefaction or collapse?						
d)	Be located on expansive soil, as defined in Table 18-1-B of the Uniform Building Code (1994), creating substantial risks to life or property?						
e)	Have soils incapable of adequately supporting the use of septic tanks or alternative wastewater disposal systems where sewers are not available for the disposal of wastewater?						
	(a-e) The project does not include the construction of new housing or buildings therefore the project does not put people or structures at risk of loss, injury or death from a seismic event. There is always the possibility of seismic shaking in Crescent City; however, the project is not on a known fault line.						
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In 2011 a geotechnical study was conducted by SHN for the Front Street redesign project which is one block away from the project site. The Geotechnical study concluded that the subbase material is sand which has an R value of 70. When properly compacted and confined the material is expected to provide proper pavement support (Geotechnical and Geophysical Evaluation, Front Street, Crescent City, California, September 29, 2011, pg 4) (refer to attachment 8 for further details).

The soils in the project area are adequate to support the project; If pockets of unstable soils are encountered then an aggregate base will be added to properly support the infrastructure.

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7.	GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS. Would	the project:			
a)	Generate greenhouse gas emissions, either directly or indirectly, that may have a significant impact on the environment?				
b)	Conflict with an applicable plan, policy or regulation adopted for the purpose of reducing the emissions of greenhouse gases?				П

(a-b) Greenhouse gas emissions will be created from the use of heavy equipment such as a backhoe and dump truck. However, the amount of emissions will not be substantial, and they will be limited to the construction period. Therefore, the project will not conflict with any plans, regulations, or policies for reducing greenhouse gases or create a significant impact on the environment.

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8.	HAZARDS AND HAZARDOUS MATERI	ALS. Would	the project:		
a)	Create a significant hazard to the public or the environment through the routine transport, use or disposal of hazardous materials?				
b)	Create a significant hazard to the public or the environment through reasonably foreseeable upset and accident conditions involving the release of hazardous materials into the environment?				
c)	Emit hazardous emissions or handle hazardous or acutely hazardous materials, substances or waste within one-quarter mile of an existing or proposed school?				
d)	Be located on a site which is included on a list of hazardous materials sites compiled pursuant to Government Code §65962.5 and, as a result, would it create a significant hazard to the public or the environment?				
e)	For a project located within an airport land use plan area or, where such a plan has not been adopted, within two miles of a public airport or a public use airport, would the project result in a safety hazard for people residing or working in the project area?				
f)	For a project within the vicinity of a private airstrip, would the project result in a safety hazard for people residing or working in the project area?				
g)	Impair implementation of, or physically interfere with, an adopted emergency response plan or emergency evacuation plan?				
h)	Expose people or structures to a significant risk of loss, injury or death involving wildland fires, including where wildlands are adjacent to urbanized areas or where residences are intermixed with wildlands?				

(a-h) The proposed project includes the installation of underground storm drain lines for the transportation of storm water runoff from City streets to the receiving waters of the Crescent City Harbor. A trash separator will be installed on the main line approximately 700 feet north of the outfall. The separator will remove solids before they enter receiving waters. The project does not include the transportation of or storage of toxic substances.

Neither the project site nor the adjacent property is listed as an EPA Superfund site. According to RWQCB Geotracker website there are no land disposal sites, or military sites within the project area or adjacent to the

project area. However, Geotracker did identify one cleanup program site (former Otten Distribution Bulk Plant) near the project area. The most recent monitoring report prepared by Blue Rock Environmental states that contamination from the site has not migrated to Front Street which is the closest portion of the project site. Therefore, the storm drain project site is not impacted by the cleanup program site (refer to attachment 4 for further details). The project site is not located within a wildland fire zone nor does the project include the development of housing or structures that would expose persons to risks associated with public or private airstrips.

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9.	HYDROLOGY AND WATER QUALITY. W	ould the project	ect:		
a)	Violate any water quality standards or waste discharge requirements?				
b)	Substantially deplete groundwater supplies or interfere substantially with groundwater recharge such that there would be a net deficit in aquifer volume or a lowering of the local groundwater table level (e.g., the production rate of pre-existing nearby wells would drop to a level which would not support existing land uses or planned uses for which permits have been granted)?				
c)	Substantially alter the existing drainage pattern of the site or area, including through the alteration of the course of a stream or river, in a manner which would result in substantial erosion or siltation on- or off-site?	. 🗆			
ď)	Substantially alter the existing drainage pattern of the site or area, including through the alteration of the course of a stream or river, or substantially increase the rate or amount of surface runoff in a manner that would result in flooding on- or off- site?				
e)	Create or contribute runoff water which would exceed the capacity of existing or planned stormwater drainage systems or provide substantial additional sources of polluted runoff?				<u> </u>
f)	Otherwise substantially degrade water quality?				
g)	Place housing within a 100-year flood hazard area as mapped on a federal Flood Hazard Boundary or Flood Insurance Rate Map or other flood hazard delineation map?				
h)	Place within a 100-year flood hazard area structures that would impede or redirect flood flows?				
i)	Expose people or structures to a significant risk of loss, injury or death involving flooding, including flooding as a result of a failure of a levee or dam?				
j)	Inundation by seiche, tsunami or mudflow?				
(a-j)	. The project proposes to correct deficiencies in the sto	orm drain syste	em to alleviate pe	riodic flooding	g. The

(a-j). The project proposes to correct deficiencies in the storm drain system to alleviate periodic flooding. The project area is not located within a special flood hazard area as indicated on FIRM panels 0214 and 0327 (refer to attachment 2 for further details). Furthermore, the project does not propose the construction of or addition to structures.

		Potentiall y Significa nt Impact	Less Than Significant With Mitigation Incorporate d	Less Than Significan t Impact	No Impact
10.	LAND USE AND PLANNING. Would the pro-	oject:			
a)	Physically divide an established community?				
b)	Conflict with any applicable land use plan, policy or regulation of an agency with jurisdiction over the project (including, but not limited to, the general plan, specific plan, local coastal program or zoning ordinance) adopted for the purpose of avoiding or mitigating an environmental effect?				
c)	Conflict with any applicable habitat conservation plan or natural community conservation plan?				

(a-c) The City of Crescent City General Plan Policy Document Dated May 21, 2001, contains Section 4 titled Public Facilities. One of the goals of Section 4 is to collect and convey storm water in a manner that least inconveniences the public, reduces or prevents potential water-related damage, and protects the environment (pg 4-4). The proposes to eliminate flooding and damage to personal property related to water damage. The project also proposes to create new wetland and habitat area at the outfall. Therefore, the proposed project is in conformance with the Crescent City General Plan Policy Document.

11. MINERAL RESOURCES. Would the	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant With Mitigation Incorporate d	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
a) Result in the loss of availability of a known mineral resource that would be of value to the region and the residents of the state?	wn		. 🗆	$\boxtimes$
b) Result in the loss of availability of a local important mineral resource recovery s delineated on a local general plan, specific plor other land use plan?	ite			

(a-b) According to the City of Crescent City General Plan Background Report, 2001, there are no known mineral resources within the City of Crescent City. The City of Crescent City General Plan Policy Document does not contain any maps depicting mineral resource recovery sites. Therefore, there is no impact.

		Potentiall y Significa nt Impact	Less Than Significant With Mitigation Incorporate d	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
12.	NOISE. Would the project result in:				
a)	Exposure of persons to or generation of noise levels in excess of standards established in the local general plan or noise ordinance or of applicable standards of other agencies?				
b)	Exposure of persons to or generation of excessive groundborne vibration or groundborne noise levels?				<u> </u>
c)	A substantial permanent increase in ambient noise levels in the project vicinity above levels existing without the project?				
d)	A substantial temporary or periodic increase in ambient noise levels in the project vicinity above levels existing without the project?				
e)	For a project located within an airport land use plan area or, where such a plan has not been adopted, within two miles of a public airport or a public use airport, would the project expose people residing or working in the project area to excessive noise levels?				
f)	For a project within the vicinity of a private airstrip, would the project expose people residing or working in the project area to excessive noise levels?				

(a-f) Although the project will create limited and temporary noise generated by construction the project will not result in a permanent increase of ambient noise levels. Construction will be conducted between the hours of 7a.m. and 6 p.m. Monday through Saturday to reduce the impact of noise on the community. The project will not increase the capacity for development in the project area.

		Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant With Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significan t Impact	No Impact
13.	POPULATION AND HOUSING. Would to	he project:			
a)	Induce substantial population growth in an area, either directly (e.g., by proposing new homes and businesses) or indirectly (e.g., through extension of roads or other infrastructure)?				
b)	Displace substantial numbers of existing housing, necessitating the construction of replacement housing elsewhere?				
c)	Displace substantial numbers of people, necessitating the construction of replacement housing elsewhere?				

(a-c) The project does not propose to construct any new housing or the relocation of any existing housing or businesses. The project does include improvements to storm drain lines and pedestrian safety. However, the project will not create a significant increase in development creating a shift in demographics or significantly increasing new development. Due to Crescent City's remote location and tourism-based economy growth will remain slow for the foreseeable future. The City of Crescent City General Plan Background report indicates that annual growth in the County is about 2% (pg 2.16-2.19).

		Potentiall y Significa nt Impact	Less Than Significant With Mitigation Incorporate d	Less Than Significan t Impact	No Impact
gov ma	PUBLIC SERVICES. Would the project resul- provision of new or physically altered governmental facilities, the construction of which could intain acceptable service ratios, response times or other vices:	ental facilitie d cause signif	es, need for ne licant environme	w or physical impacts,	in order to
a)	Fire protection?				
b)	Police protection?				
c)	Schools?				
d)	Parks?				
e)	Other public facilities?				$\boxtimes$
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(a-e) The proposed project only includes improvements to an existing storm drain system and improvements to roads and sidewalks. The project will decrease flooding and improve pedestrian safety thereby reducing the need for emergency services. The project will not increase the capacity for development which would create a burden on schools and parks. There is no impact.

15.	RECREATION.	Potentiall y Significa nt Impact	Less Than Significant With Mitigation Incorporate d	Less Than Significan t Impact	No Impact
a)	Would the project increase the use of existing neighborhood and regional parks or other recreational facilities such that substantial physical deterioration of the facility would occur or be accelerated?				
b)	Does the project include recreational facilities, or require the construction or expansion of recreational facilities, which might have an adverse physical effect on the environment?				

(a-b) The storm drain main line will pass thru the western most portion of Beachfront Park adjacent to the Wastewater Treatment Plant. However, the line will be buried approximately 15 feet underground which will not create permanent impacts to the park. This portion of the park will be temporarily closed during construction and access on the West end of Howe Drive will be limited during construction. However, there are several access points into the park which will ensure that the majority of the 40-acre park will remain open and accessible. Therefore, there is no impact.

		Potentiall y Significan t Impact	Less Than Significant With Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significan t Impact	No Impact
16.	TRANSPORTATION/TRAFFIC. Would the	project:			
a)	Conflict with an applicable plan, ordinance or policy establishing measures of effectiveness for the performance of the circulation system, taking into account all modes of transportation including mass transit and non-motorized travel and relevant components of the circulation system, including but not limited to intersections, streets, highways and freeways, pedestrian and bicycle paths, and mass transit.				
b)	Conflict with an applicable congestion management program, including, but not limited to level of service standards and travel demand measures, or other standards established by the county congestion management agency for designated roads or highways.				
c)	Result in a change in air traffic patterns, including either an increase in traffic levels or a change in location that result in substantial safety risks?				
d)	Substantially increase hazards due to a design feature (e.g., sharp curves or dangerous intersections) or incompatible uses (e.g., farm equipment)?				
e)	Result in inadequate emergency access?				
f)	Conflict with adopted policies, plans, or programs regarding public transit, bicycle, or pedestrian facilities, or otherwise decrease the performance or safety of such facilities.				
	(a-f) The project does not include the construction	or decommiss	ion of any roads.	Furthermore, to	the os per day

(a-f) The project does not include the construction or decommission of any roads. Furthermore, the proposed project will not lead to a significant increase in new construction thereby increasing trips per day and placing heavier demand on existing roadways. The project does include improvements to Front Street which will improve traffic and pedestrian safety (refer to plans for further details).

		Potentiall y Siguifica nt Impact	Less Than Significant With Mitigation Incorporate d	Less Than Significan t Impact	No Impact
17.	UTILITIES AND SERVICE SYSTEMS. Wor	ild the project			
a)	Exceed wastewater treatment requirements of the applicable Regional Water Quality Control Board?				
b)	Require or result in the construction of new water or wastewater treatment facilities or expansion of existing facilities, the construction of which could cause significant environmental effects?		6		
c)	Require or result in the construction of new storm water drainage facilities or expansion of existing facilities, the construction of which could cause significant environmental effects?				
d)	Have sufficient water supplies available to serve the project from existing entitlements and resources, or are new or expanded entitlements needed?				
e)	Result in a determination by the wastewater treatment provider that serves or may serve the project that it has adequate capacity to serve the project's projected demand, in addition to the provider's existing commitments?				
f)	Be served by a landfill with sufficient permitted capacity to accommodate the project's solid waste disposal needs?				
g)	Comply with federal, state and local statutes and regulations related to solid waste?				

(a-g) The project proposes to replace substandard portion of the existing City of Crescent City storm drain system within the project area. Furthermore, the project only proposes to repair existing roads which will be impacted by excavation for the storm drain system. The project will not increase the volume of storm water runoff. The project only serves to alleviate flooding form existing runoff. Most of the project area is developed with a mix of residential and commercial structures and public facilities such as streets and sidewalks. A trash separator will be installed before the outfall to remove litter from runoff before it enters receiving waters. The project will not result in significant environmental effects.

The proposed project will not disrupt any solid waste services. Solid waste in the form of asphalt, concrete and clay pipe will be generated. Concrete will be trucked to Hambros for recycling and the City will grind the asphalt and reuse it as an aggregate base for resurfacing. Approximately 200 tons of clay pipe will be removed and trucked to the Del Norte County Transfer Station for disposal. The transfer station can easily handle the disposal of the clay pipe according to Tedd Ward, Program Manager for the Solid Waste Authority.

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18.	MANDATORY FINDINGS OF	SIGNIFIC	CANCE		7	
a) Does the project have the potential to degrade the quality of the environment, substantially reduce the habitat of a fish or wildlife species, cause a fish or wild-life population to drop below self-sustaining levels, threaten to eliminate a plant or animal community, reduce the number or restrict the range of rare or endangered plants or animals, or eliminate important examples of the major periods of California history or prehistory?						
b) Does the project have impacts that are individually limited, but cumulatively considerable? "Cumulatively considerable" means that the incremental effects of a project are considerable when viewed in connection with the effects of past projects, the effects of other current projects, and the effects of probable future projects.						
	Does the project have environmental e will cause substantial adverse effects beings, either directly or indirectly?					
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	wildlife are not inadvertently impacted.
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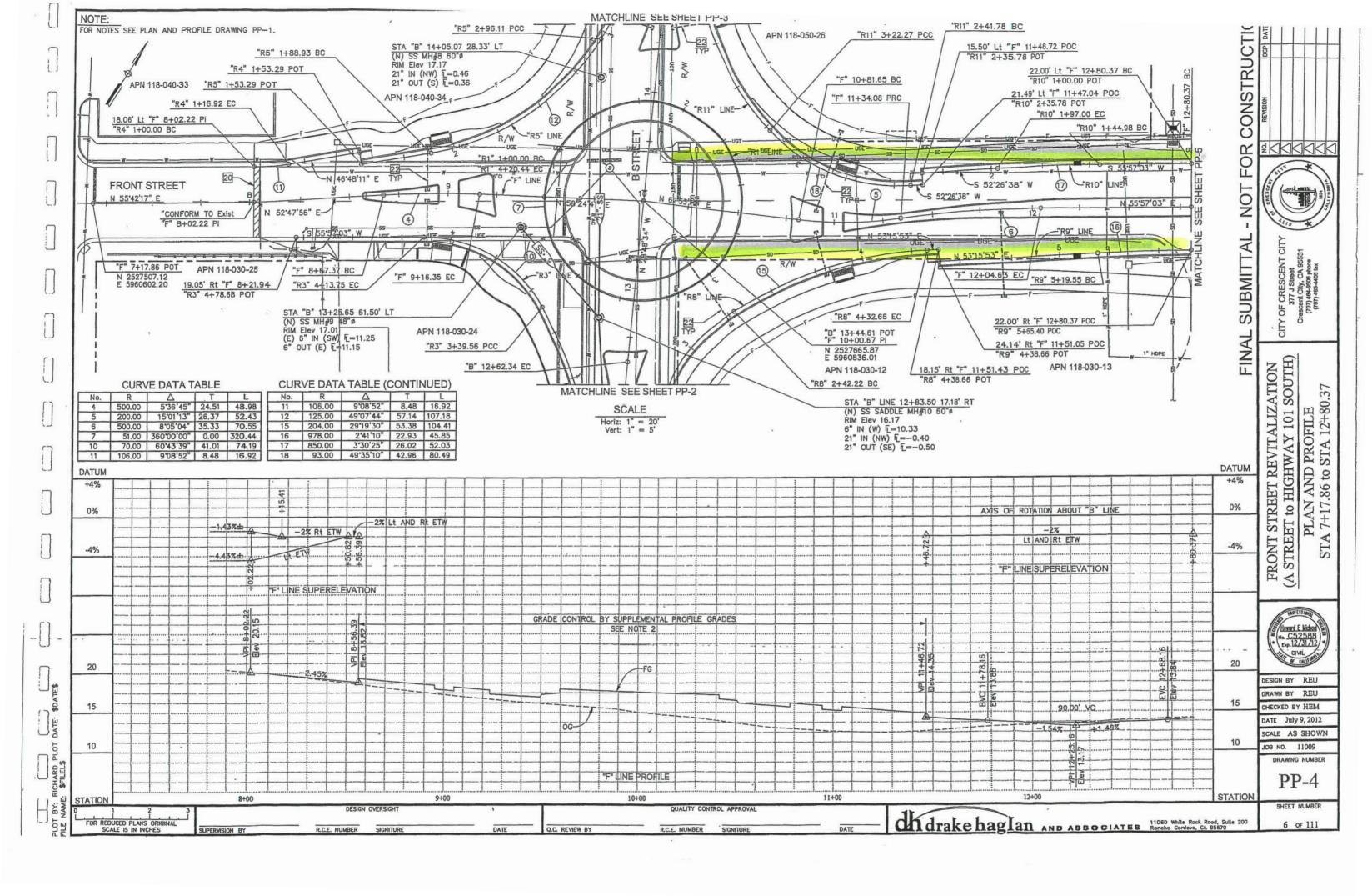
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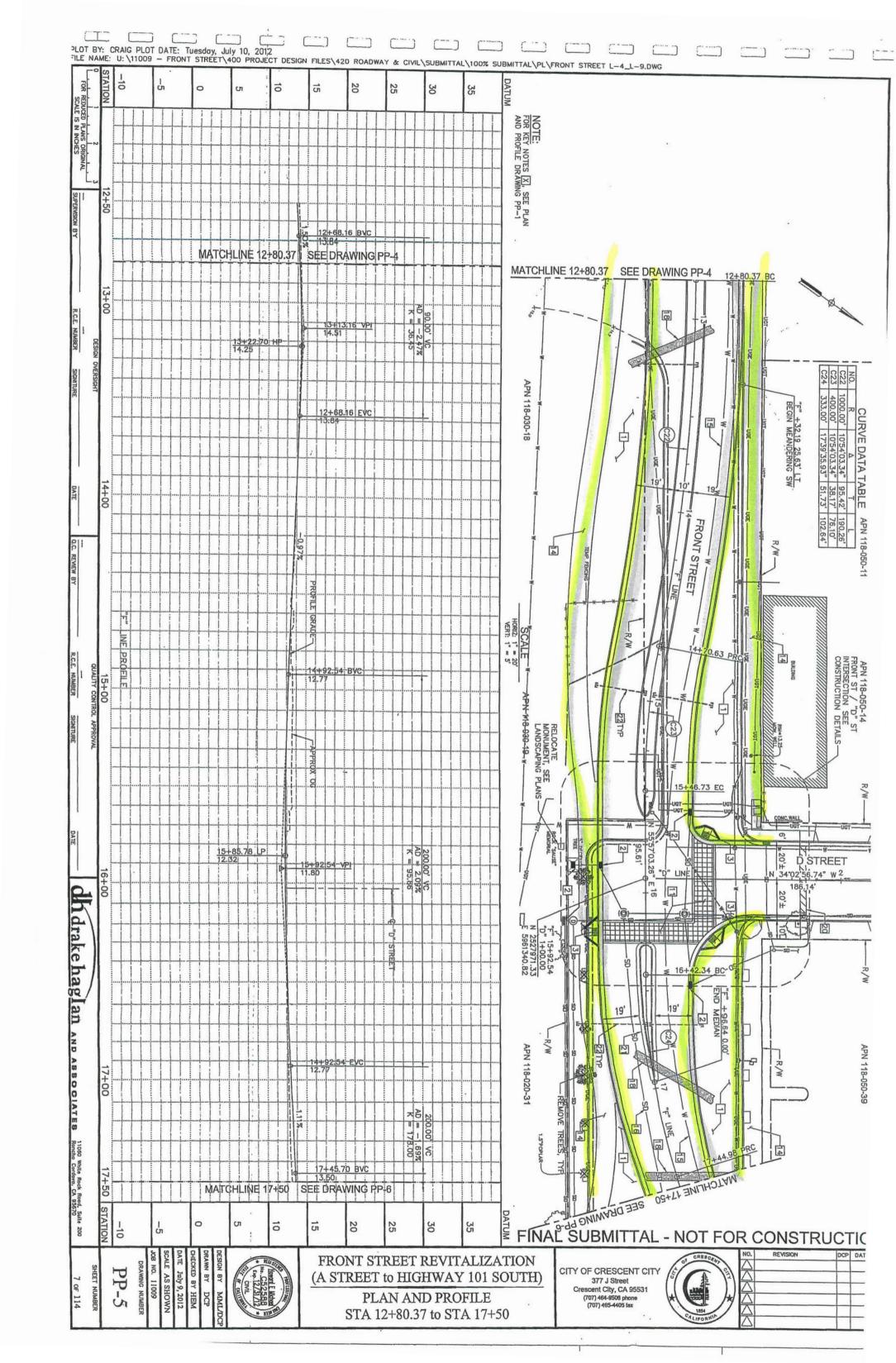
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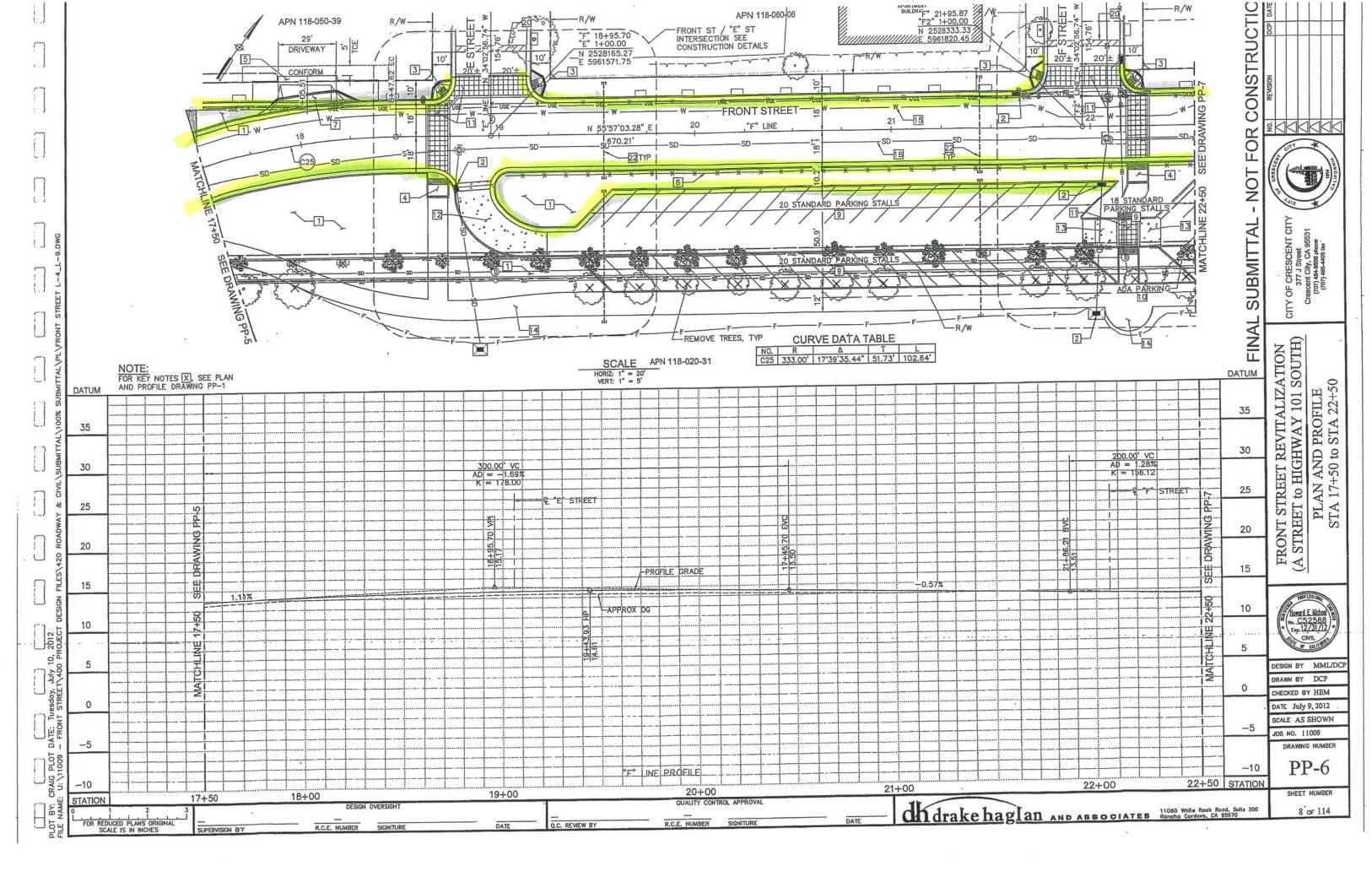
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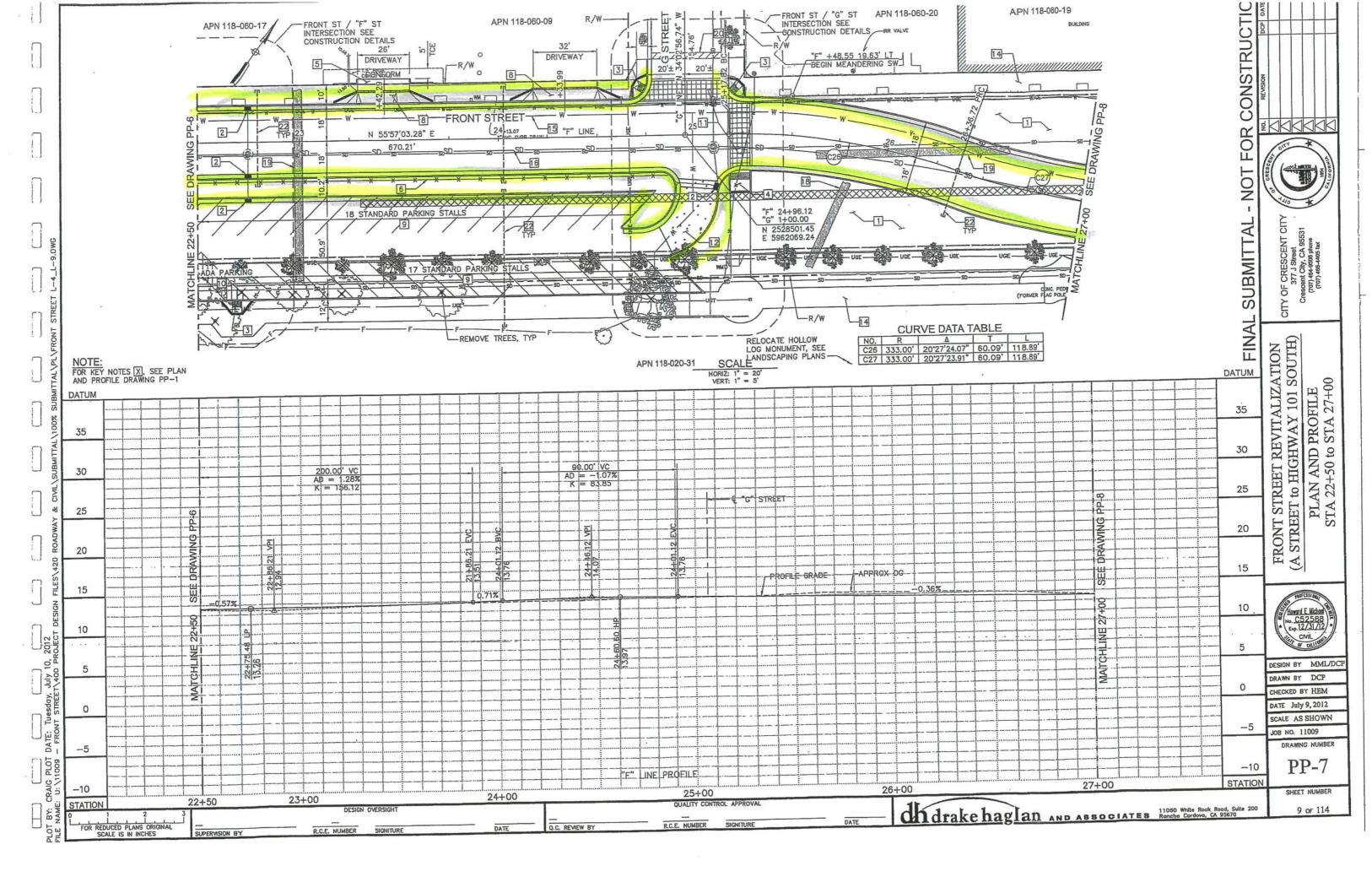
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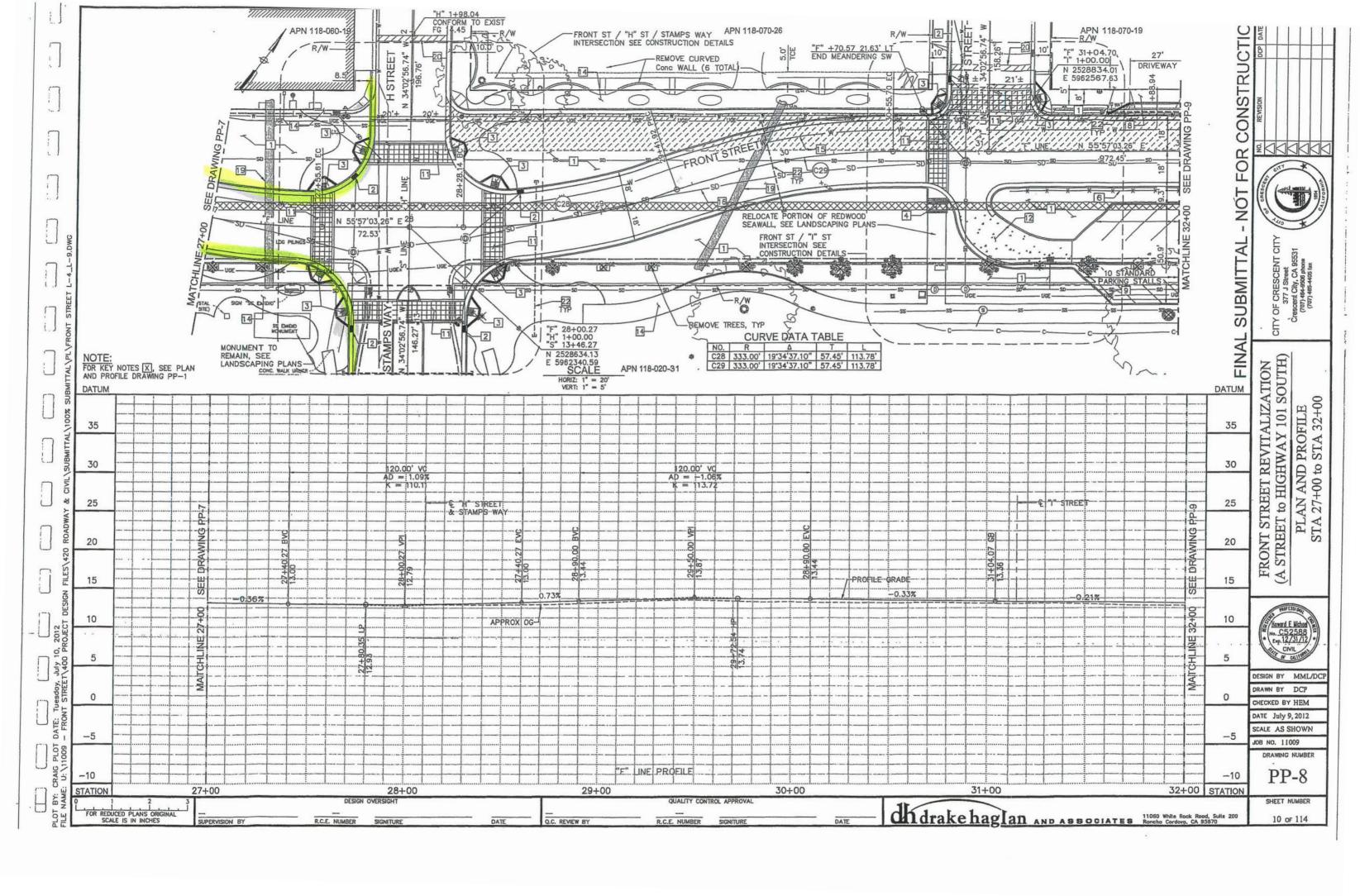
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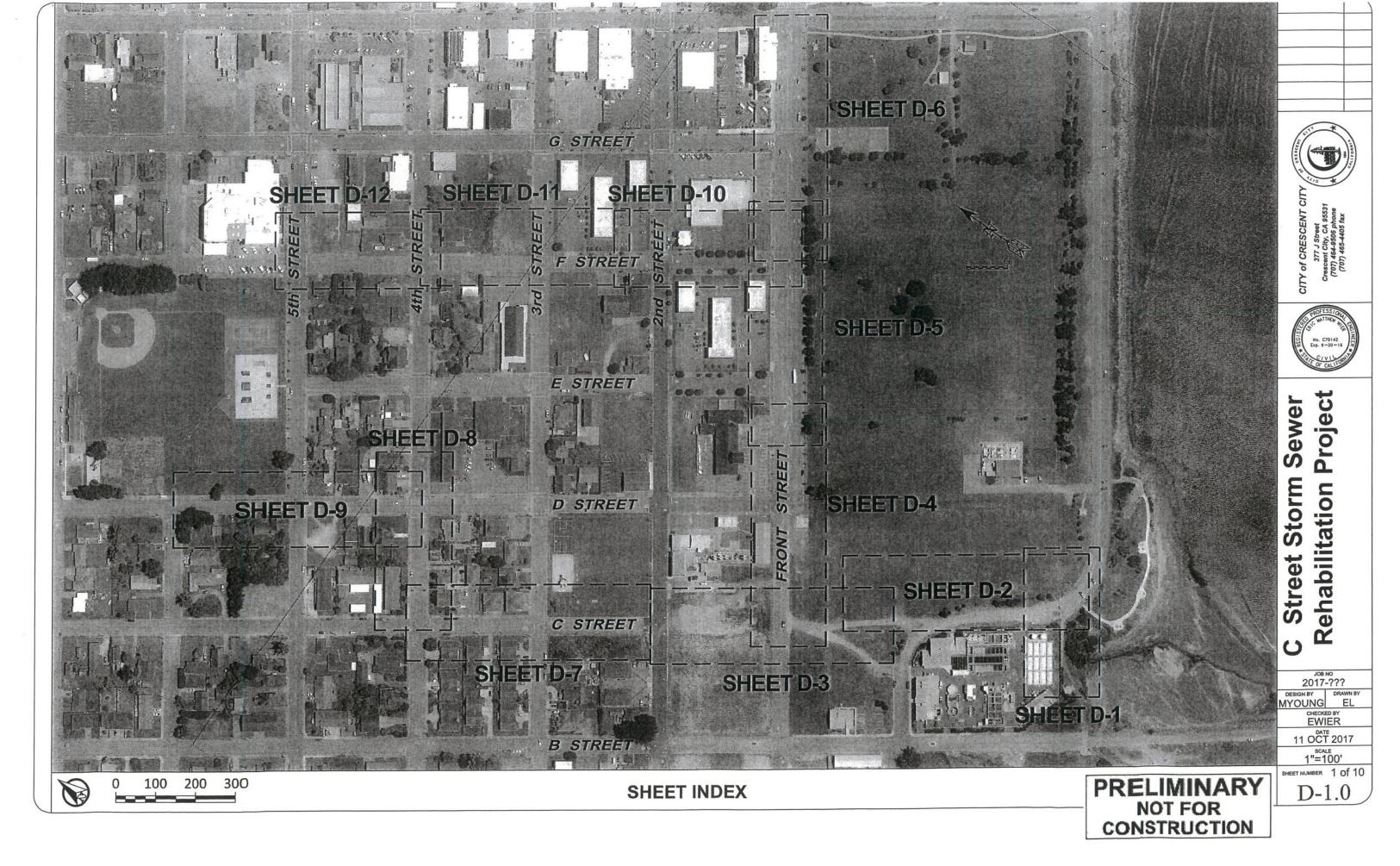


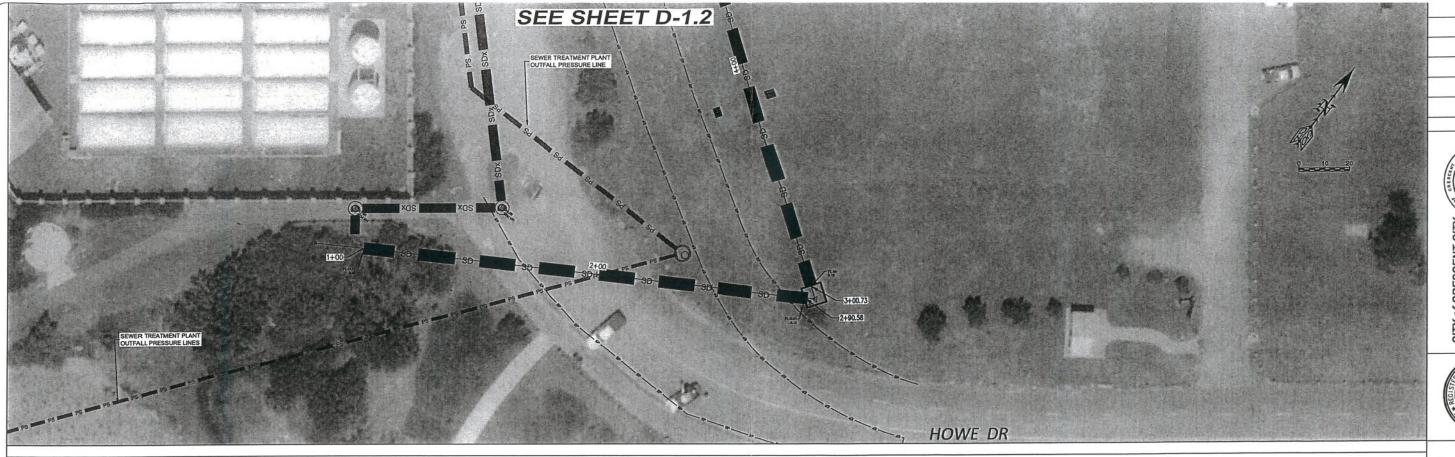






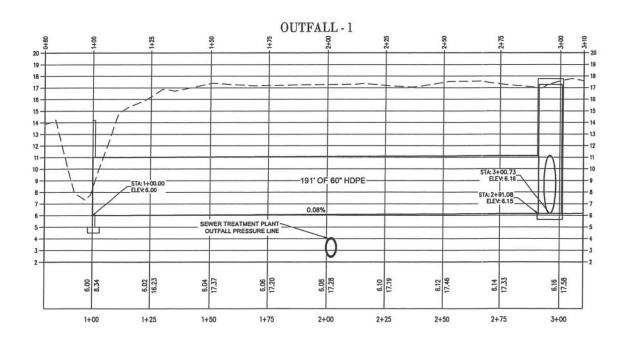












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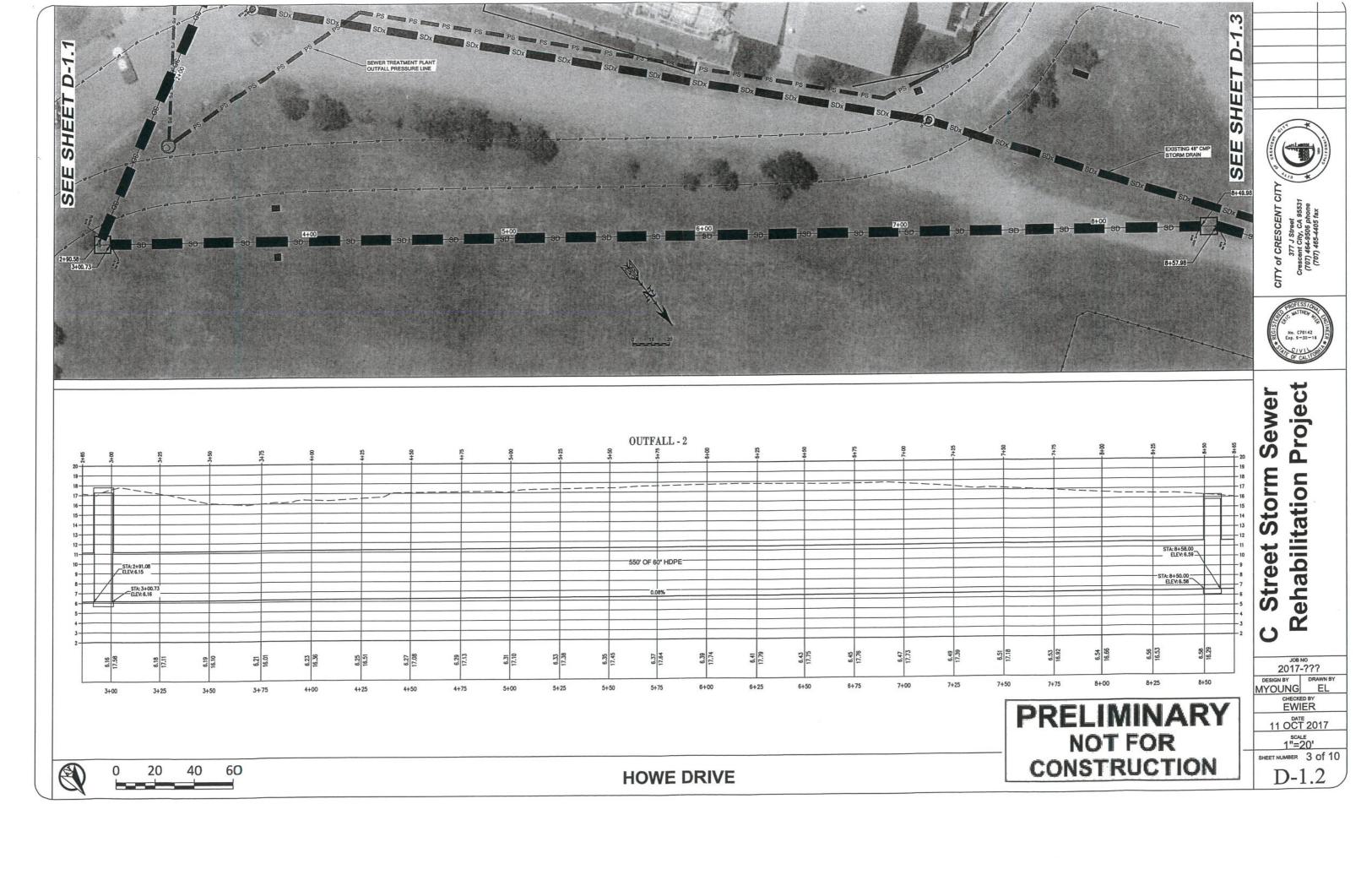
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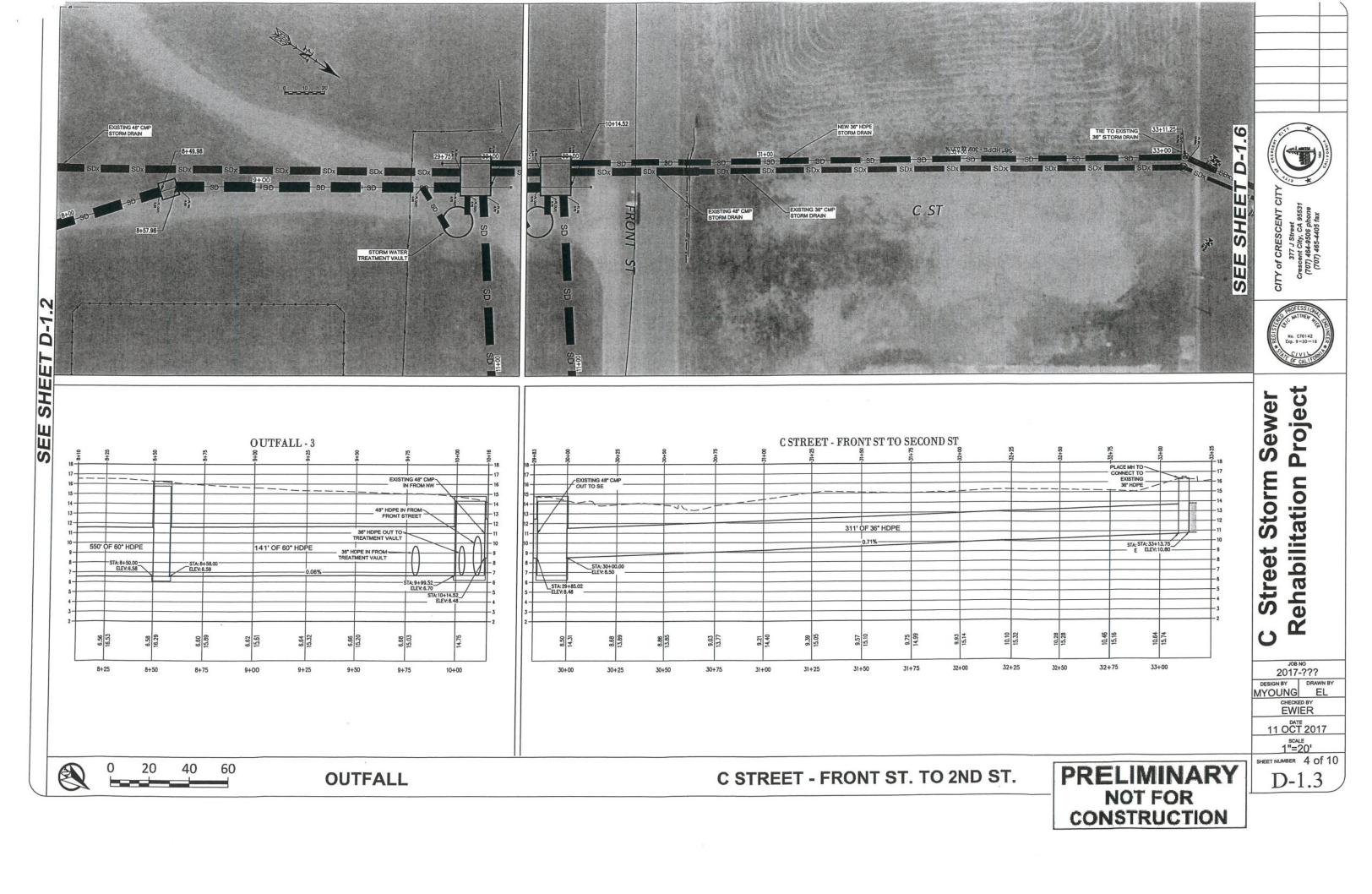
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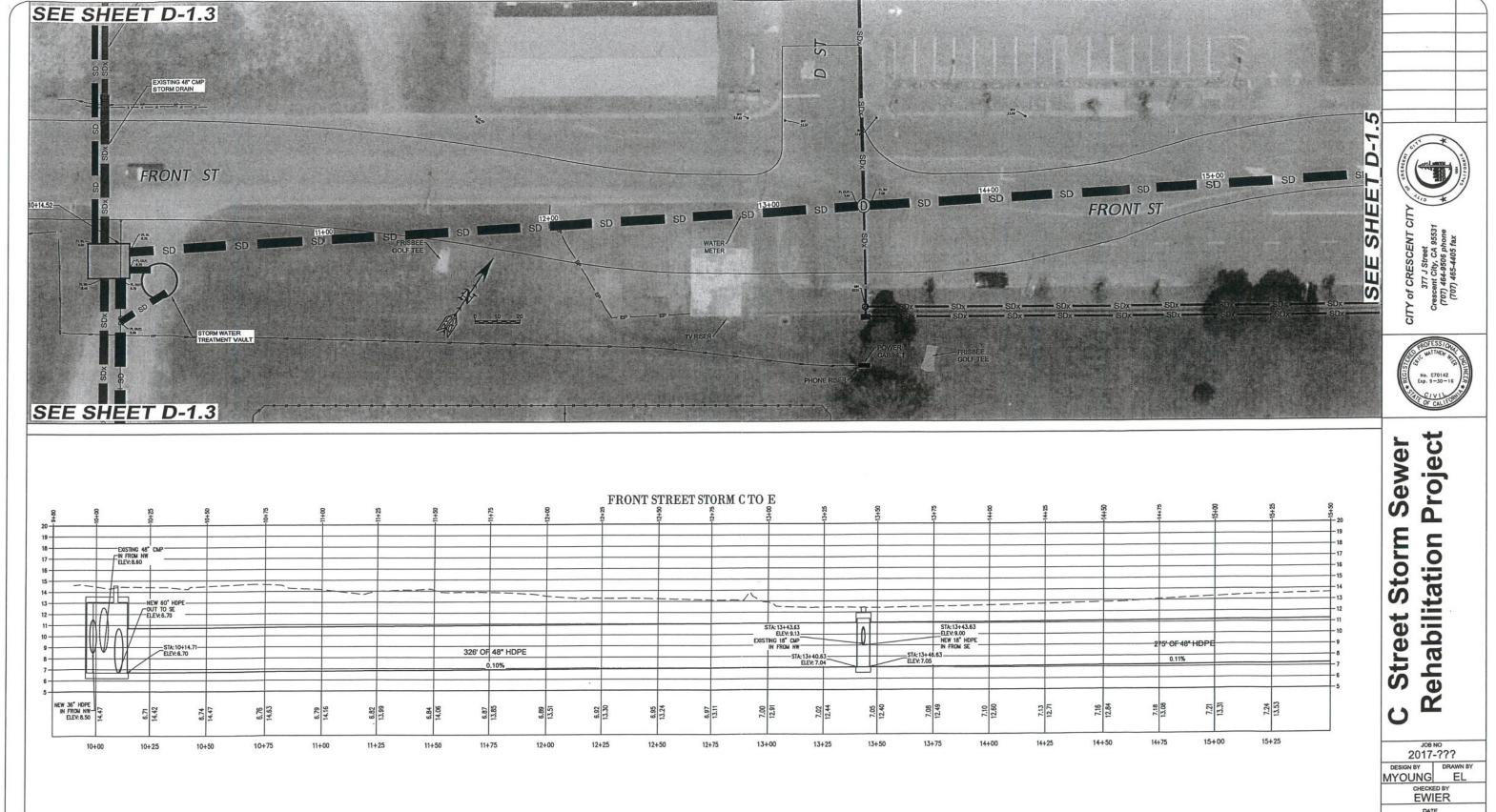
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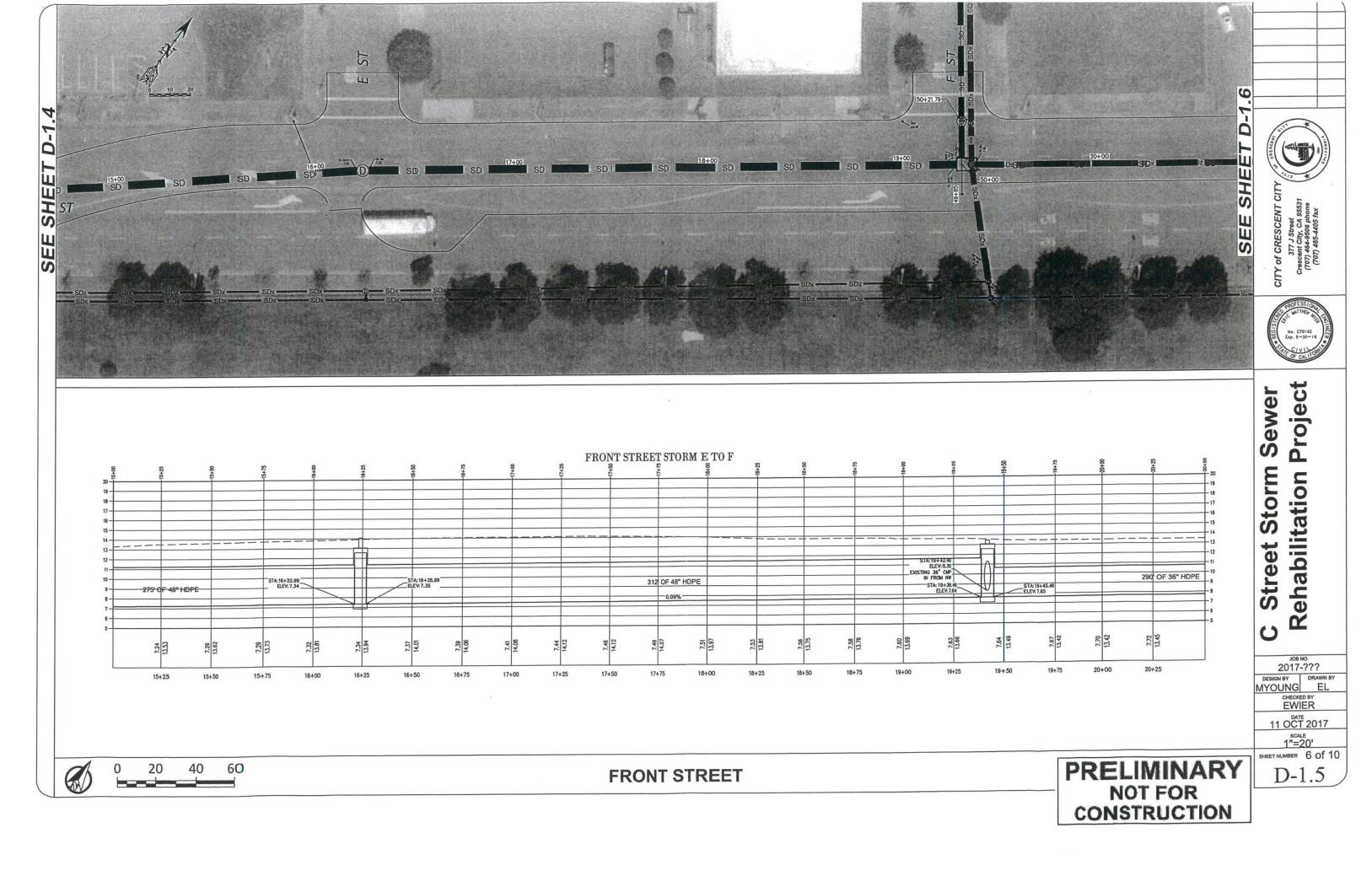
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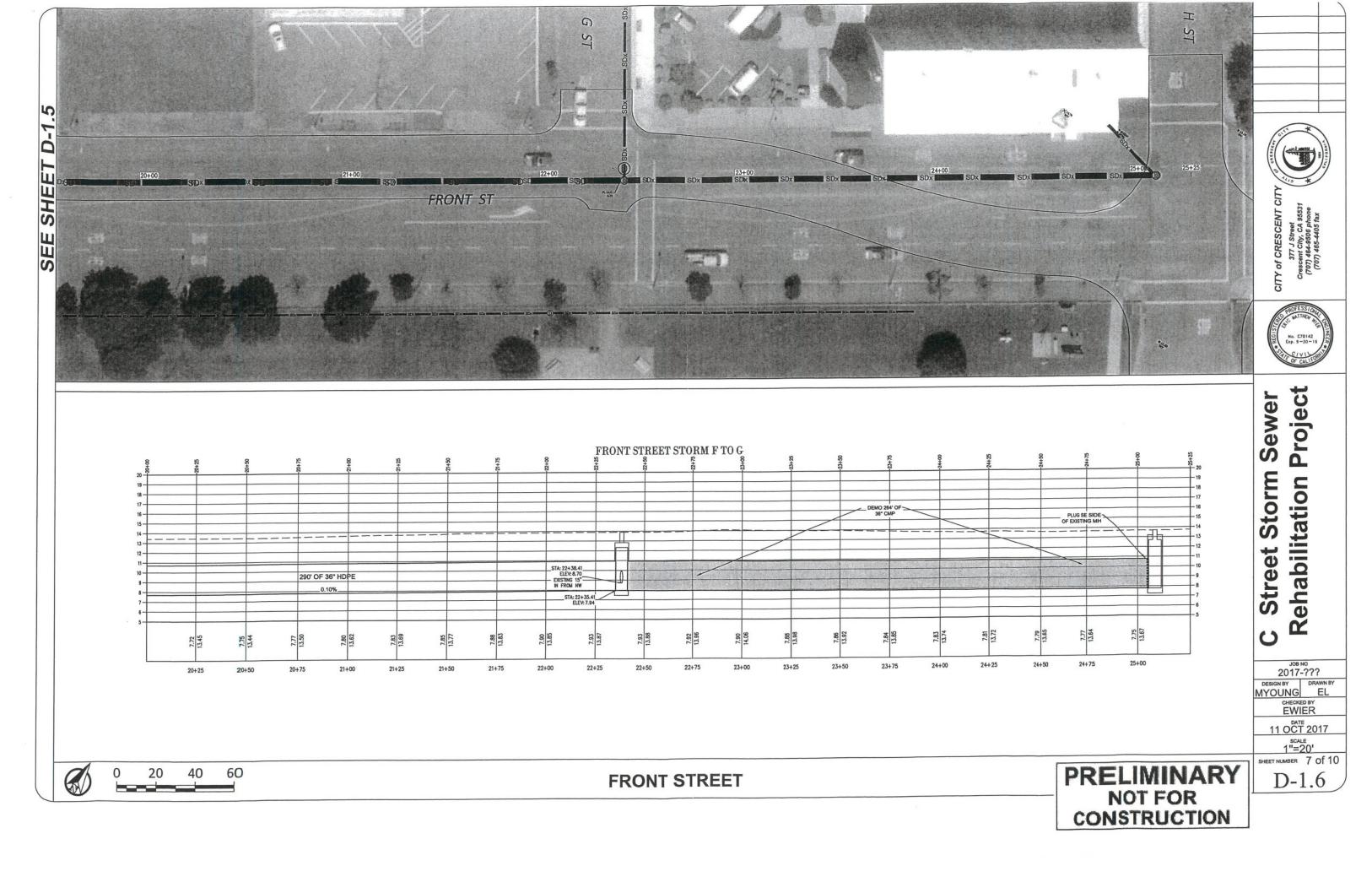
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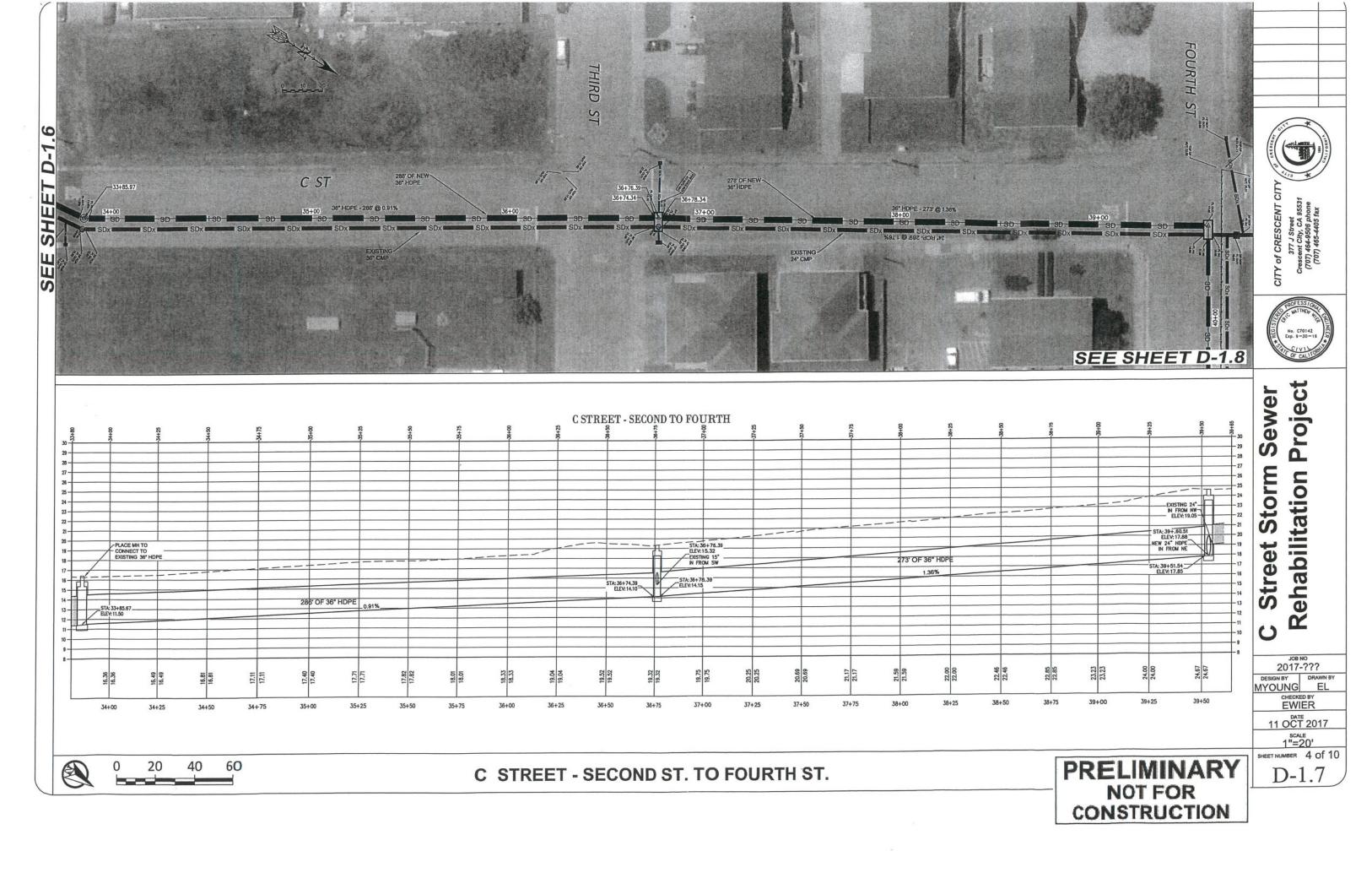
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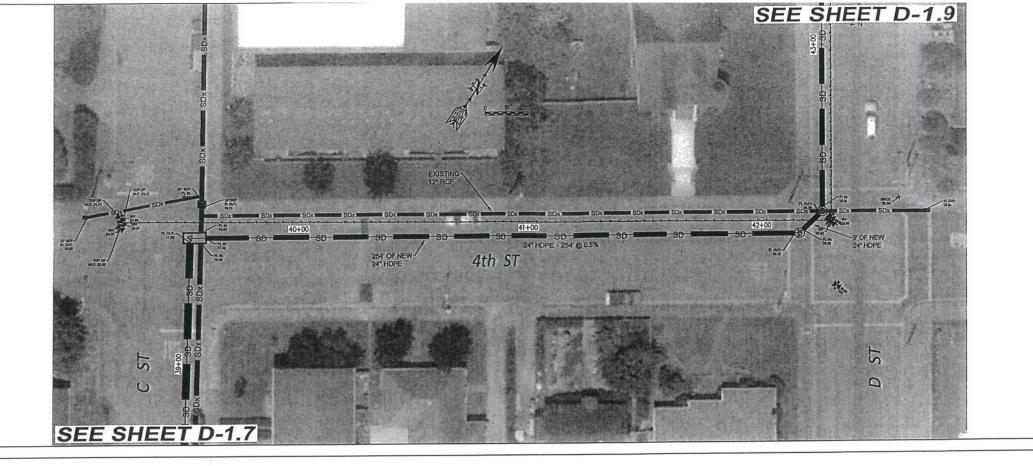
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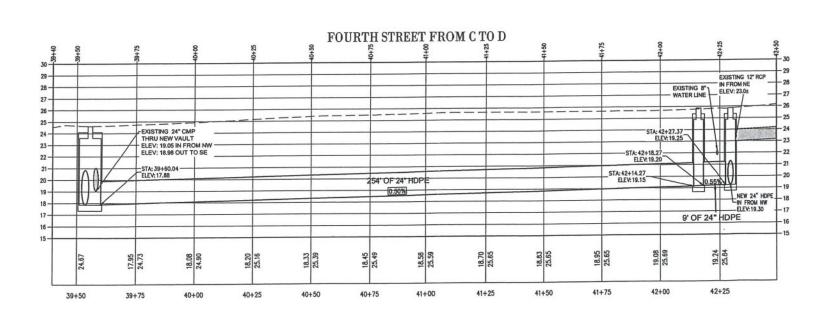
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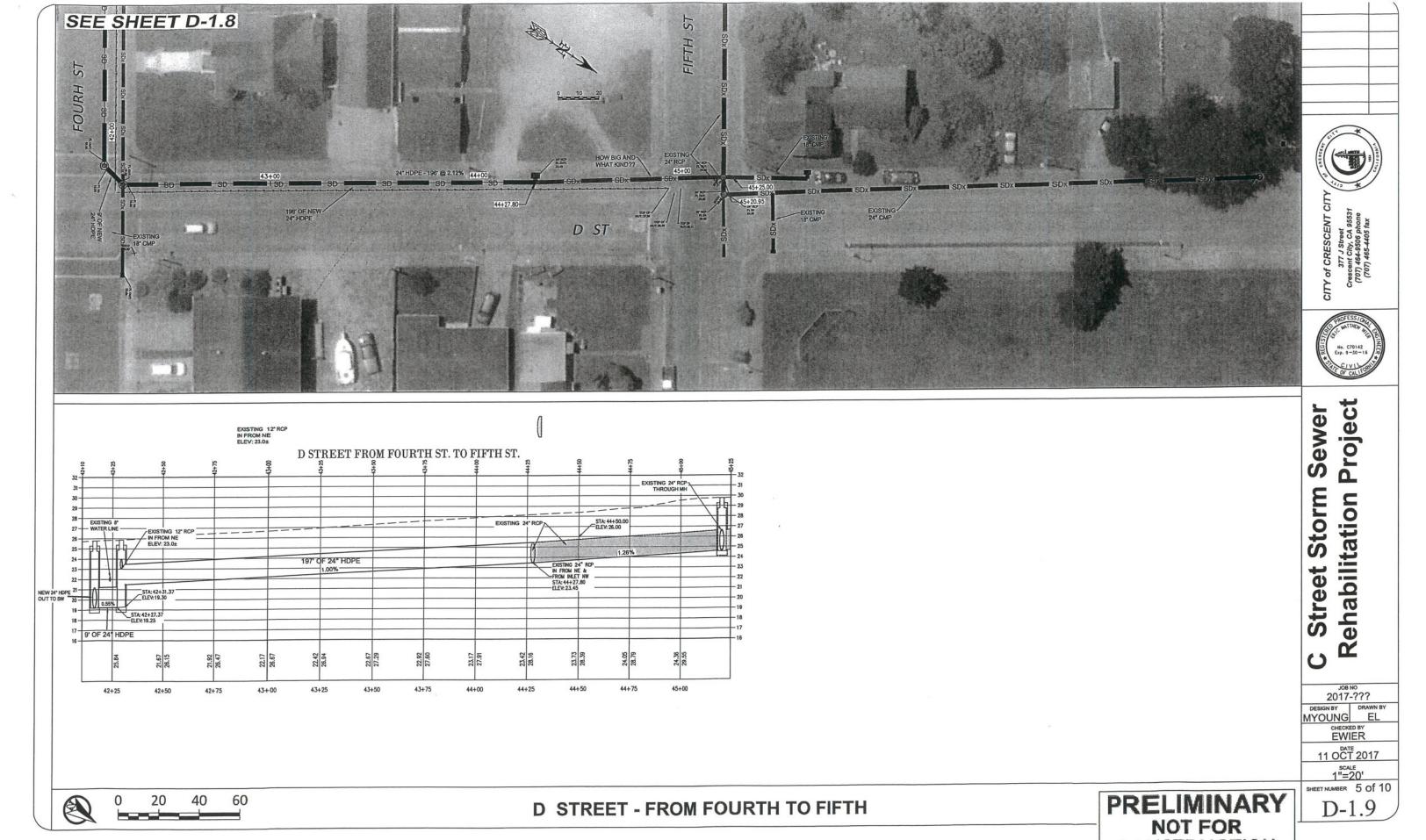
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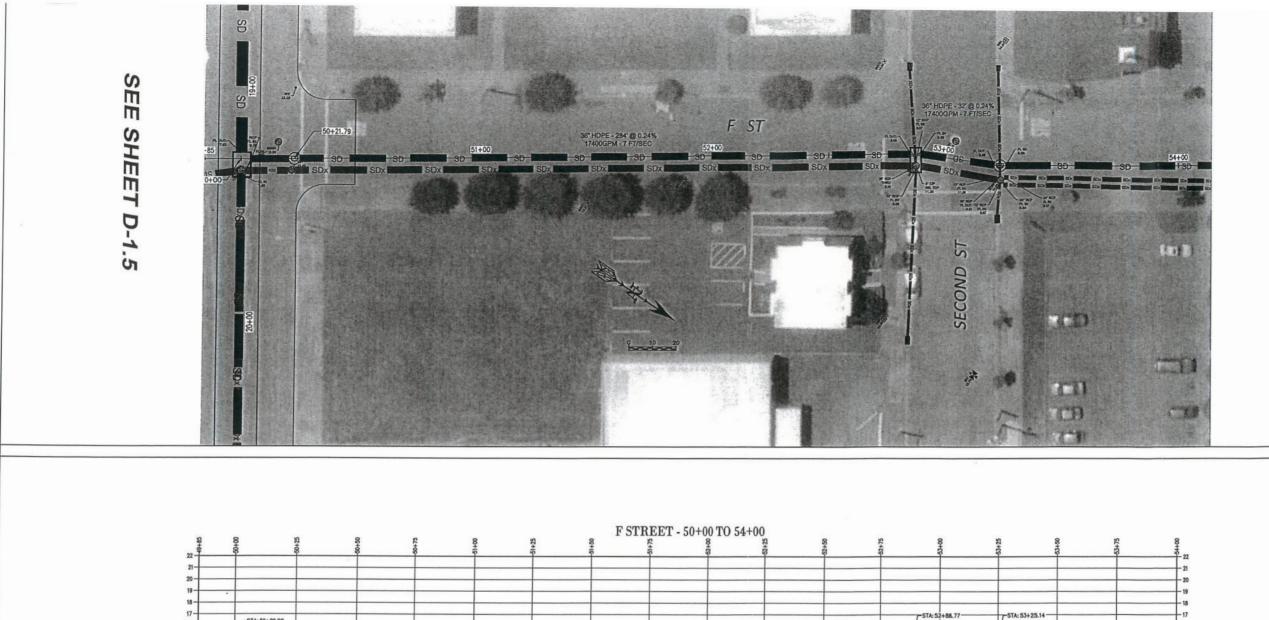
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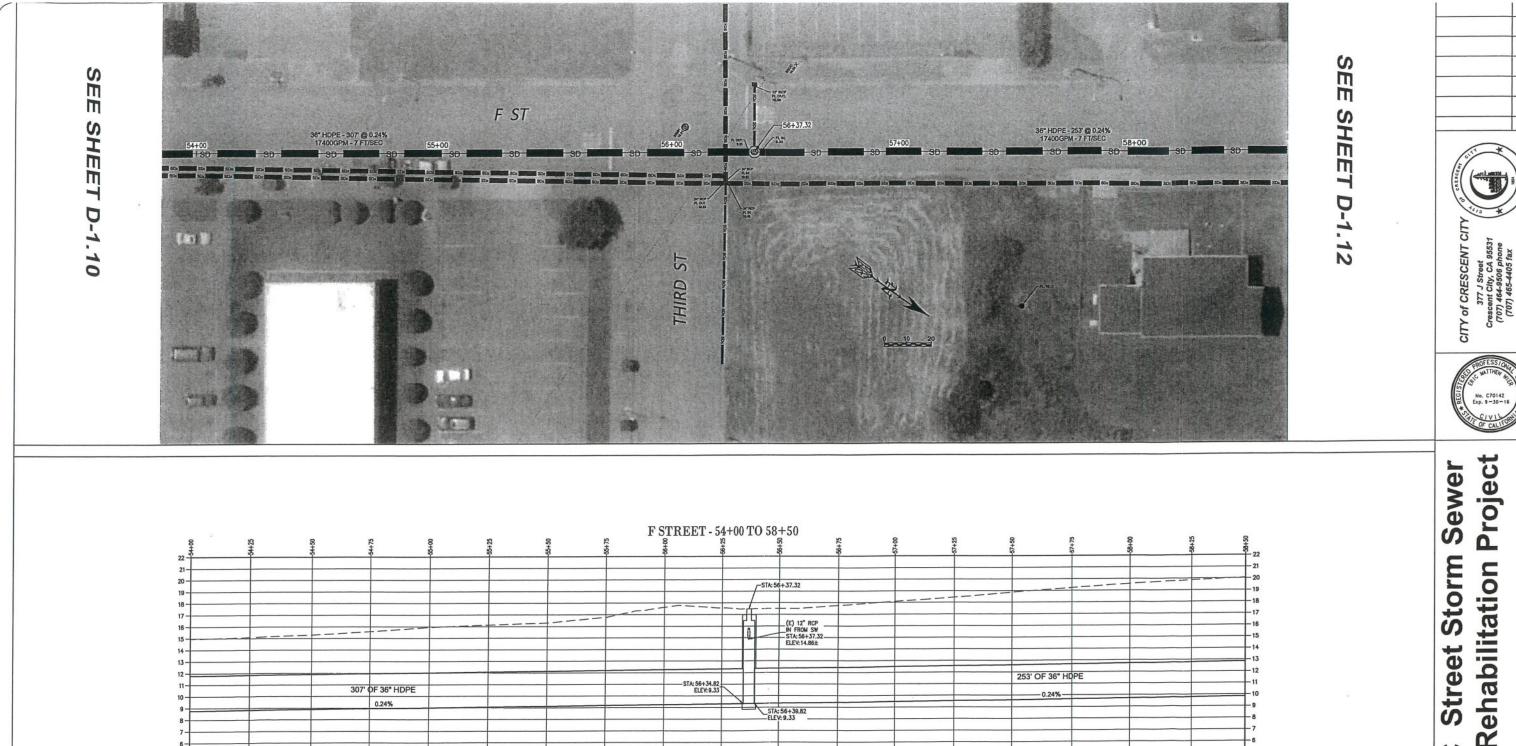
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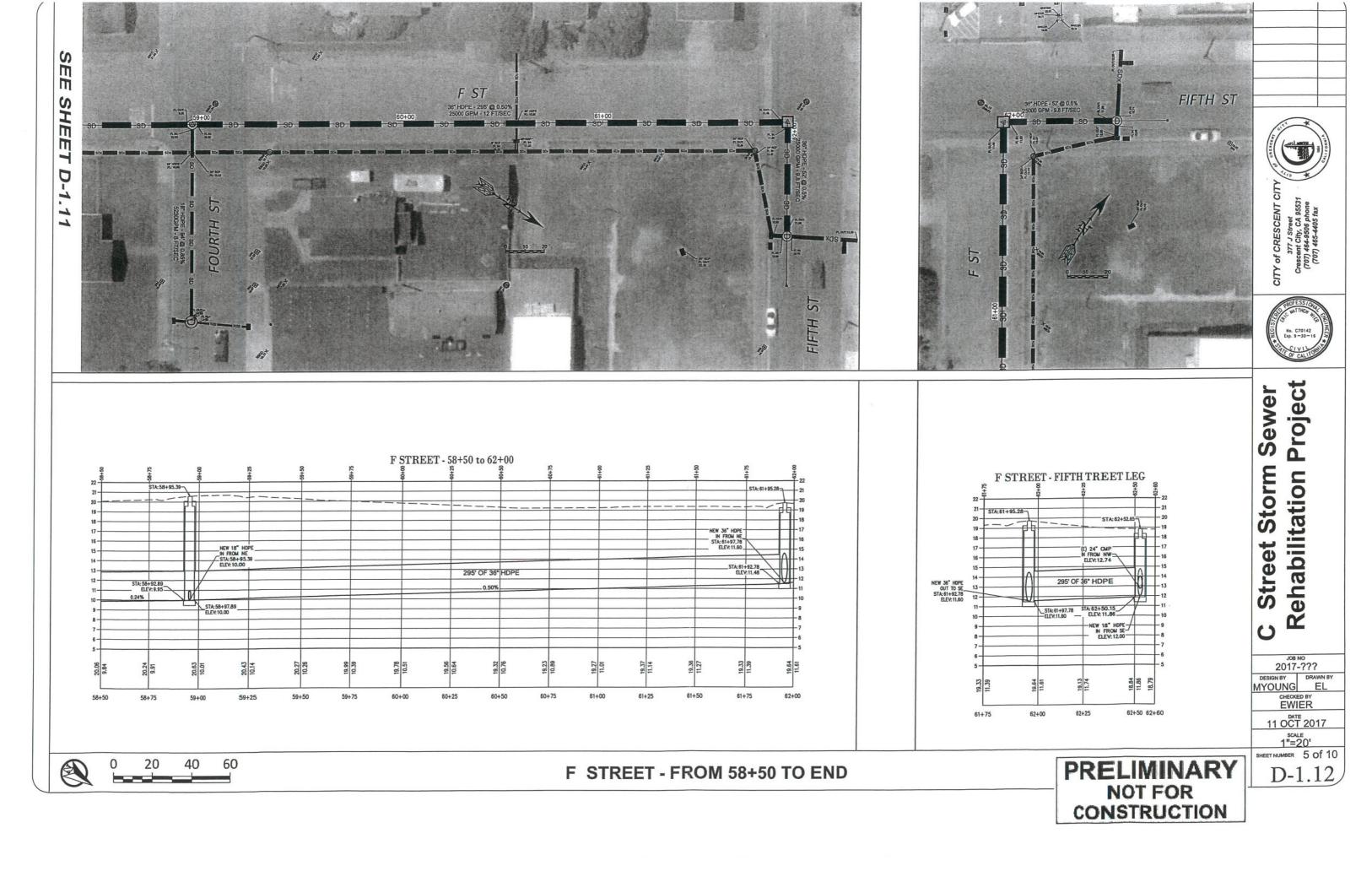
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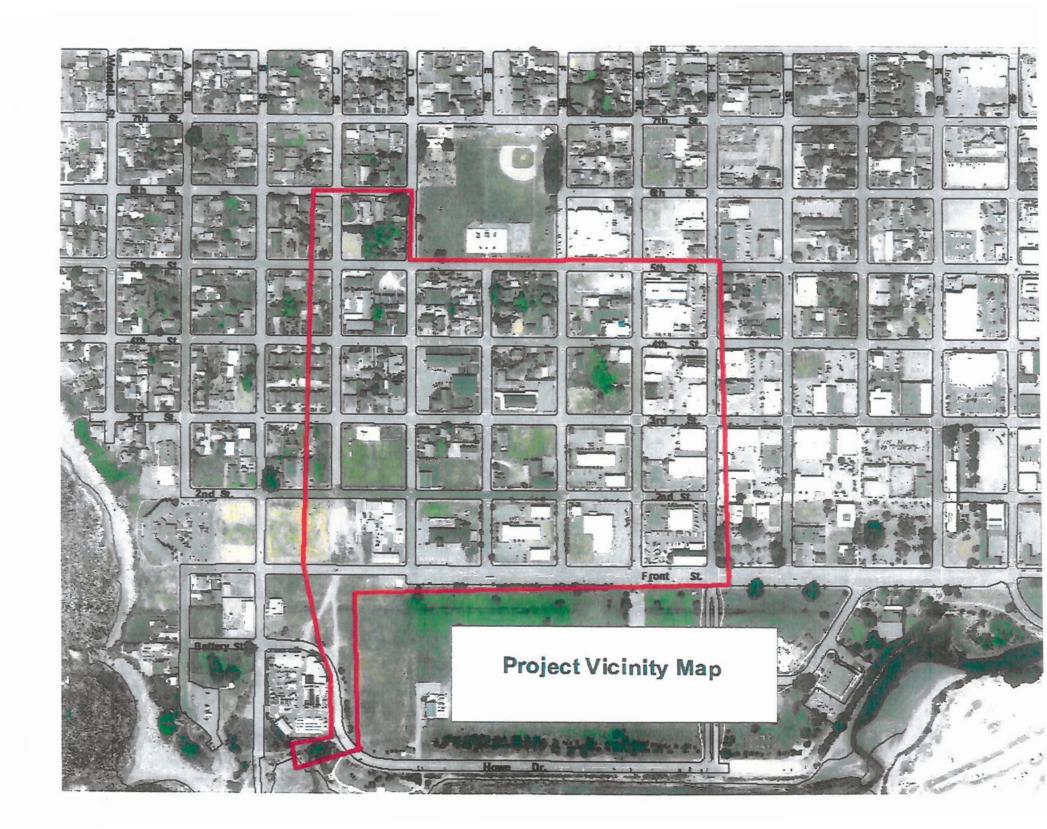
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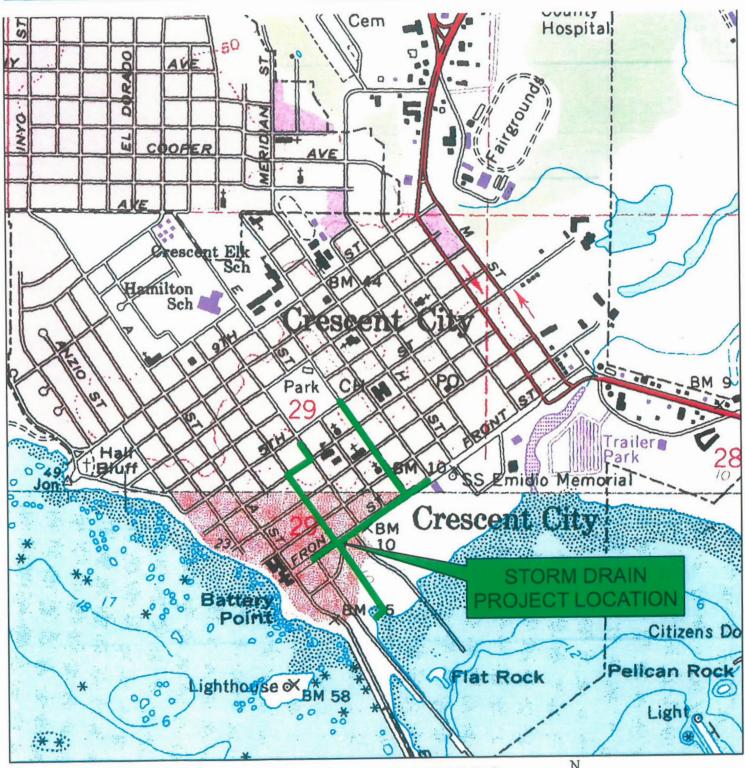






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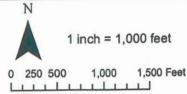


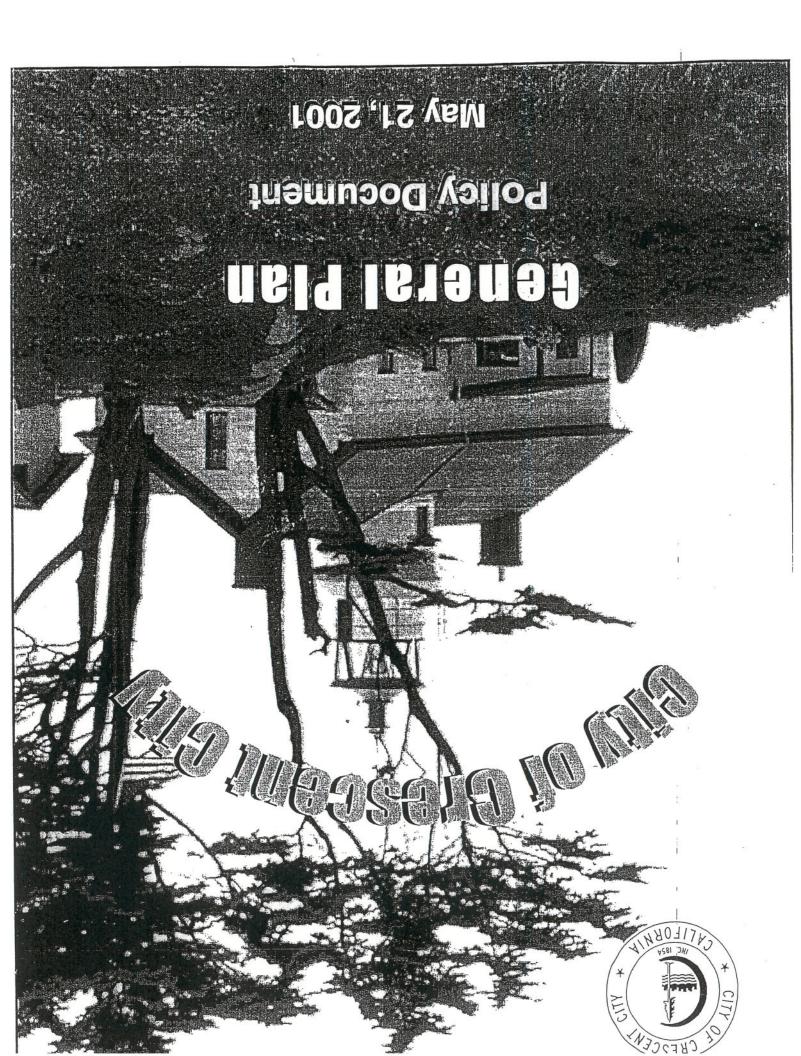


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2018 STORM DRAIN IMPROVEMENT PROJECT LOCATION





## BIOLOGICAL ASSESSMENT FOR C STREET STORM SEWER REHABILITATION PROJECT

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#### BIOLOGICAL ASSESSMENT FOR C STREET STORM SEWER REHABILITATION PROJECT

#### 1.0 Introduction

This is a biological assessment for the "C" Street Storm Sewer Rehabilitation Project in Crescent City, California (Figure 1). The project includes adding a storm sewer line under "C" Street from the intersection at 3<sup>rd</sup> Street to an existing outfall site in Crescent Harbor behind the Crescent City Wastewater Treatment Facility (Figure 2). The purpose of the project is to increase flow capacity and solve flooding issues within the City's 70 year old storm sewer system.

The new sewer line from "C" Street will terminate in the Coastal Zone next to the existing outfall in an environmentally sensitive habitat area (ESHA); a wetland ESHA with Special Status<sup>1</sup> plants in the immediate vicinity. In order to mitigate for encroaching on the wetlands, a new outfall will be set back from the existing outfall channel to create wetlands onsite. Construction includes approximately 1500 feet of trenching to accept the new sewer line.

The design of the new outfall setback from the existing outfall channel will create wetlands by increasing the length of discharge channel to mitigate impacts of encroaching on wetlands. The proposed wetland channel is 30 feet long by 5 feet wide channel and joins the existing outfall channel. The purpose of this assessment is to determine if adverse effects to ESHA are likely to occur from the actions of the proposed project. The project area was evaluated by Zack Larson for potential adverse effects to ESHA that may result from project activities.

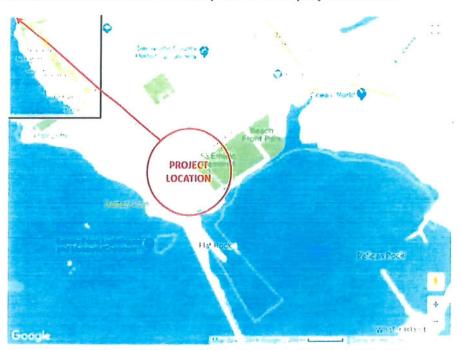


Figure 1. Location of the project area in Crescent City, Del Norte County, California.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Special status" plants and animals are species or candidate species for listing under the federal Endanger Species Act (ESA) or the California ESA. Special status also applies to plants with local biological significance or ranked by the California Native Plant Society as Rare. These are environmentally sensitive habitat areas under the Coastal Act.





Figure 2. Approximate Location of the storm sewer route (red dash) and outfall.

#### 2.0 Summary of Findings and Conclusions

The project area was surveyed by Zack Larson on April 24 and August 27, 2018. Four ESHA occurrences were observed in the vicinity of the project area. An emergent wetland (ditch) occurs just outside of the Coastal Zone in the filled area between Front and 2<sup>nd</sup> Street. A riverine wetland occurs at the outfall site in coastal strand habitat. Special status plant species, seaside pea (*Lathyrus japonicas*) and Wolf's evening primrose (*Oenothera* wolfii) were observed in the immediate vicinity of the outfall. The plants will be avoided by the construction of the secondary outfall. Based on the proposed outfall design that avoids special status species and creates onsite wetlands, the project will not result in adverse effects to ESHA.

#### Recommendations

- The location of the Wolf's evening primrose shall be avoided and protected during construction.
- 2. Minimal disturbance shall be made to the wetland ESHA
- 3. Bare soil resulting from the project shall be stabilized with geotextiles and native plants immediately upon project completion.
- 4. A wetland mitigation monitoring plan shall be completed to assure meeting mitigation goals.



#### 3.0 Environmental Setting and Existing Conditions

The proposed storm sewer line runs through an urban setting in Crescent City in the Beachfront Park area in Township 16 North, Range 1 West, Section 29 of the USGS Sister Rocks 7.5 minute quadrangle map (Humboldt Base and Meridian) (Figure 1). The line ends at an outfall (approximately 41.74683°N/-124.1997°W (WGS 84)) that drains to Crescent Harbor. About 600 feet of the 1500 feet of the proposed storm sewer line is located in the Coastal Zone. Coastal habitats in the project area were previously altered and disturbed by seawall construction and urban development.

The upland project area consists of perennial grasslands on graded fill, and city streets with curbed gutters (Figure 2, Appendix A). The outfall terminates in coastal strand habitat in a wetland created by the hydrology of the existing outfall. The wetland consists of a small (3-ft.) channel that enters Crescent Harbor. This area was not identified in the National Wetland Inventory (Appendix A) but a natural drainage feature was likely in the immediate area prior to urban development. Aerial photos from 1988 to the present show a relatively dynamic habitat in the littoral zone, likely the result of outfall hydrology and tides.

The existing outfall pipe is covered with a 4-inch steel, mesh trash-rack. The wetland at the outfall is dominated by coastal willow (Salix hookeriana) and wax myrtle (Morella californica) trees with an understory of brambles (Rubus ursinus) and non-native grasses. Wolf's evening primrose (Oenothera wolfii), or hybrid was observed two feet from the existing outfall on rock slope protection substrate associated with the existing outfall (Figure 3). The channel of the outfall is a salt marsh wetland, dominated by bog rush\* (Juncus effusus) and birdfoot trefoil\* (Lotus corniculatus). Thickets of Pacific willow (Salix lasiandra) occur along the lower channel margins and a colony of seaside pea (Lathyrus japonicus) occurs in a 4 m² area on the eastern side of the channel in the coastal strand. Sea fig\* (Carpobrotus chilensis) is also in the immediate project area.

The annual precipitation is about 70 inches in Crescent City. It has a Mediterranean climate with temperatures that range from an average low of about 44°F to the average high of about 60°F. Precipitation is light during summer months with frequent foggy days. Rain is often heavy during winter. According to the NRCS Web Soil Survey² the soil map unit is Halfbluff-Tepona-Urban Land, with 0 to 2, and 2 to 9 percent slopes (USDA, NRCS, 2018). The area is on a marine terrace and the typical soil profile is fine sandy loam to about 18" and sandy loam from 18 to 35 inches. The National Wetlands Inventory does not identify wetlands in the project area (Appendix A).

#### 4.0 Methods

The California Natural Diversity Database (CNDDB) was searched for occurrences of special status species and natural communities reported in the area (Figure 3). A special status species scoping list was prepared, including species from California Native Plant Society Rare Plant Inventory and U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Threatened and Endangered Species in the vicinity. The search included species listed by state and federal governments as Threatened, Endangered, or Candidate for listing, and California Species of Special Concern. Species status,

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service Web Soil Survey (www.websoilsurvey.sc.egov.usda.gov).





Figure 3. Approximate location of Special Status Species identified in the project area

preferred habitats, and their occurrence or potential occurrence in the project area were reported in Appendix B. The following special status plant species were identified as having a "Moderate" or "High" potential of occurring in the project area (Table 1). See Appendix B for habitat and status descriptions.

Table 1. List of plant species with a high probability of occurrence on subject properties.

Scientific Name	Common Name	<b>Listing Status</b>	<b>Bloom Time</b>
Abronia umbellata var. breviflora	ink sand-verbena	1B.1	June-October
Anthoxanthum nitens ssp. nitens	vanilla-grass	2B.3	Apr-July
Calamagrostis crassiglumis	Thurber's reed grass	2B.1	May-July
Carex lenticularis var. limnophila	lakeshore sedge	2B.2	June-August
Castilleja litoralis	Oregon coast paintbrush	2B.2	June
Empetrum nigrum	black crowberry	2B.2	July-August
Gilia capitata ssp. pacifica	Pacific gilia	1B.2	Apr-Aug
Gilia millefoliata	dark eyed gilia	1B.2	Apr-July
Lathyrus japonicas	seaside pea	2B.1	May-Aug
Lilium occidentale	western lily	1B.1	June-July
Moneses uniflora	wood nymph	2B.2	May-July
Oenothera wolfii	Wolf's evening-primrose	1B.2	May-Oct
Packera bolanderi var. bolanderi	Seacoast ragwort	2B.2	Apr-May
Romanzoffia tracyi	Tracy's romanzoffia	2B.3	Mar-May
Viola adunca	western dog violet	<b>OSB</b> host	Apr-Aug

Based on the habitat requirements of the animals described in Appendix B, special status animal species having greatest potential to occur on in the immediate project area include:

Northern Red-legged Frog (Rana aurora draytonii)

\*Federally Threatened

The California red-legged frog requires a variety of habitat elements with aquatic breeding areas embedded within a matrix of riparian and upland dispersal habitats (USFWS 2002). Breeding sites of the California red-legged frog are in aquatic habitats including pools and backwaters within streams and creeks, ponds, marshes, springs, dune ponds and lagoons.

#### **Wetland Assessment Methods and Definitions**

The National Wetlands Inventory (NWI) database was searched for occurrences of wetlands on or adjacent to the sites and available soil survey information was gathered (NRCS 2018, McLaughlin and Harradine 1966). The parcel was evaluated for both Army Corps of Engineers and California Coastal Commission jurisdictional wetlands. The Army Corps of Engineers defines wetlands as:

"... areas that are inundated or saturated by surface or ground water at a frequency and duration sufficient to support, and that under normal conditions do support, a prevalence of vegetation typically adapted for life in saturated soil conditions. Wetlands generally include swamps, marshes, bogs, and similar areas."

Army Corps jurisdictional wetlands require indicators of all three wetland parameters (hydrophytic vegetation, hydric soil, and wetland hydrology) to make a positive wetland determination. The Coastal Commission's Administrative Regulations (Section 13577 (b)) provide the following wetland definition:

"Wetlands are lands where the water table is at, near, or above the land surface long enough to promote the formation of hydric soils or to support the growth of hydrophytes, and shall also include those types of wetlands where vegetation is lacking and soil is poorly developed or absent as a result of frequent or drastic fluctuations of surface water levels, wave action, water flow, turbidity or high concentrations of salt or other substance in the substrate. Such wetlands can be recognized by the presence of surface water or



saturated substrate at some time during each year and their location within, or adjacent to, vegetated wetlands or deepwater habitats."

The California Coastal Commission considers this definition as requiring the observation of only one diagnostic feature of a wetland such as wetland hydrology, hydrophytic vegetation, or hydric soil. The location was evaluated for wetlands based on the Regional Supplement to the Corps of Engineers Wetland Delineation Manual Western Mountains, Valleys, and Coast Region (Version 2.0) (Army Corps 2010), the 1987 Corps of Engineers Wetlands Delineation Manual (Environmental Laboratory 1987), and the Western Mountains Valleys and Coast 2016 Regional Wetland Plant List (Army Corps 2016).

#### 5.0 Results and Discussion

The entire project area has been altered by urban development and vegetation is dominated by non-native perennial grasslands (over fill) that are frequently mowed. ESHA occurrences were observed in the vicinity of the project area. An emergent wetland occurs between Front and 2<sup>nd</sup> Street just outside of the Coastal Zone. The area contains bog rush, giant horsetail (Equisetum telmateia) and coastal willow shrubs (Figure 4).

The special status (1B.2) seaside pea (*Lathyrus japonicas*) and Wolf's evening primrose (*Oenothera* wolfii) were observed in around the outfall and channel and wetland around the outfall. These plants will be avoided by the project and the proposed wetland mitigation will occur at a ratio of four to one. Otherwise no rare or special status species or habitats were observed. The project avoids ESHA plants and creates wetlands. Based on the findings of this report and the implementation of the following recommendations, the project will not result in adverse effects to ESHA.



Figure 4. Storm sewer line in relation to wetland ditch and fill between Front and 2<sup>nd</sup> Streets.

#### 6.0 Recommendations

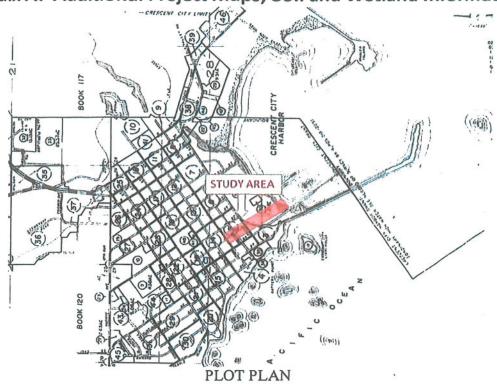
- The location of the Wolf's evening primrose shall be avoided and protected during construction.
- 2. Minimal disturbance shall be made to the wetland ESHA
- 3. Bare soil resulting from the project shall be stabilized with geotextiles and native plants immediately upon project completion.
- 4. A wetland mitigation monitoring plan shall be completed to assure meeting mitigation goals.

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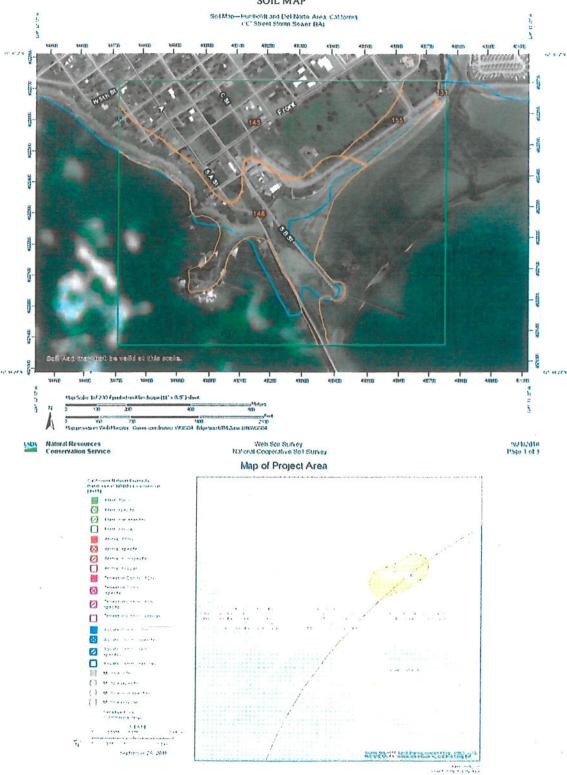


#### Appendix A. Additional Project Maps, Soil and Wetland Information





#### SOIL MAP



## Appendix B. Special Status Species Potentially in the Vicinity of the Project. PLANTS (May 2018 CNDDB for Crescent City and Adjacent Quads)

Scientific Name Common Name	Listing Status	Habitat	Blooming Period	Potential to Occur on Parcel
Anthoxanthum nitens ssp. nitens vanilla-grass	2B.3	Meadows and seeps (mesic).	Apr-Jul	UNLIKELY. Observations include the wetlands around Lake Earl.
Abronia umbellata var. breviflora Pink sand-verbena	1B.1	Coastal dunes	June-Oct	MODERATE. Observed nearby (500 feet).
Arabis aculeolata Waldo rockcress	2B.2	Broadleafed upland forest, Lower montane coniferous forest, Upper montane coniferous forest/serpentinite.	Apr-Jun	NO POTENTIAL. Occurs on serpentine. Habitat not present.
Arabis mcdonaldiana McDonald's rockcress	1B.1, CE, FE	Lower montane coniferous forest, Upper montane coniferous forest / serpentinite.	May-Jul	NO POTENTIAL. Occurs on serpentine. Habitat not present.
Asplenium trichomanes ssp. trichomanes maidenhair spleenwort	2B.1	Lower montane coniferous forest (rocky).	May-Jul	NO POTENIAL. Occurs in inland and higher elevation habitat. Habitat not present.
Boechera koehleri Koehler's stipitate rockcress	1B.3	Chaparral, Lower montane coniferous forest/serpentinite, rocky	(Mar),Apr- Jul	NO POTENTIAL. Habitat not present.
Bryoria spiralifera twisted horsehair lichen	18.1	North Coast coniferous forest (immediate coast)/Usually on conifers.	na	UNLIKELY. Habitat not present.
Calamagrostis crassiglumis Thurber's reed grass	List 2B.1	Coastal scrub (mesic), Marshes and swamps (freshwater).	May-Aug	UNLIKELY. Site contains coastal marine habitat.
Calicium adspersum spiral-spored guilded-head pin lichen	2B.2	Lower montane coniferous forest, North Coast coniferous forest/often restricted to old-growth bark of conifers that are over 200 years in age.	na	NO POTENIAL. Typically occurs in old growth forest. Habitat not present.
Cardamine angulata Seaside bittercress	28.1	Wet areas, streambanks, Lower montane coniferous forest, North Coast coniferous forest.	(Jan), Mar- Jul	UNLIKELY. Habitat marginal or not present.
Carex arcta northern clustered sedge	28.2	Bogs and fens, North Coast coniferous forest (mesic).	Jun-Sept	UNLIKELY. Observations include the wetlands around Lake Earl.
Carex lenticularis var. limnophila lagoon sedge	2B.2	Bogs and fens, Marshes and swamps, North Coast coniferous forest/shores, beaches; often gravelly.	Jun-Aug	MODERATE. Habitat present in the immediate vicinity. Species occurrences documented nearby.
Carex lyngbyei Lyngbye's sedge	2B.2	Marshes and swamps (brackish or freshwater).	Apr-Aug	MODERATE. Habitat present in the immediate vicinity.
Carex praticola northern meadow sedge	2B.2	Meadows and seeps (mesic).	May-Jul	UNLIKELY. Project area does not include suitable wetland habitat
Carex serpenticola serpentine sedge	2B.3	Meadows and seeps (mesic, serpentinite).	Mar-May	NO POTENTIAL. Occurs on serpentine.

Carex viridula ssp. viridula green yellow sedge	2B.3	Bogs and fens, Marshes and swamps (freshwater), North Coast coniferous forest (mesic).	(Jun),Jul- Sep(Nov),	UNLIKELY. Project area does not include suitable wetland habitat.
Cascadia nuttallii Nuttall's saxifrage	2B.1	North Coast coniferous forest (mesic, may rocky).		NO POTENTIAL. Project area is not North Coast coniferous forest.
Castilleja elata Siskiyou paintbrush	2B.2	Bogs and fens, Lower montane coniferous forest(seeps)/often serpentinite.	May-Aug	NO POTENTIAL. project area is not Lower montane coniferous forest. Habitat not present.
Castilleja litoralis Oregon coast paintbrush	2B.2	Coastal bluff scrub, Coastal dunes, Coastal scrub/sandy.	Jun	HIGH. Observations in the immediate vicinity (by mouth of Elk Creek).
Cochlearia groenlandica Greenland cochlearia	2B.3	Coastal bluff scrub (on basaltic sea stack).	May-Jul	NO POTENTIAL. Occurs sea stacks.
Discelium nudum naked flag moss	28.2	Coastal bluff scrub (soil, on clay banks).		NO POTENIAL. Habitat not present.
Empetrum nigrum black crowberry	2B.2	Coastal bluff scrub, Coastal prairie.	Apr-Jun	HIGH. Observations nearby.
Eriogonum nudum var. paralinum Del Norte buckwheat	2B.2	Coastal bluff scrub, Coastal prairie.	Jun-Sep	UNLIKELY. Habitat is highly degraded.
Eriogonum pendulum Waldo wild buckwheat	2B.2	Lower montane coniferous forest, Upper montane coniferous forest/serpentinite.	Aug-Sep	NO POTENTIAL. Occurs on serpentine. Habitat not present.
Erysimum concinnum bluff wallflower	18.2	Coastal bluff scrub, Coastal dunes, Coastal prairie.	Feb-Jul	MODERATE. Project area does not include Coastal bluff scrub, Coastal dunes, or Coastal prairie.
Erythronium hendersonii Henderson's fawn lily	2B.3	Lower montane coniferous forest.	Apr-Jul	NO POTENTIAL. Project area is not Lower montane coniferous forest.
Erythronium howellii Howell's fawn lily	1B.3	Lower montane coniferous forest, North Coast coniferous forest/sometimes serpentinite	Apr-May	NO POTENTIAL. Project area is not Lower montane coniferous forest.
Erythronium oregonum giant fawn llly	2B.2	Cismontane woodland, Meadows and seeps/sometimes serpentinite, rocky, Openings.  Mar- Jun(Jul),		NO POTENTIAL. Project area lacks suitable habitat.
Erythronium revolutum coast fawn lily	28.2	Bogs and fens, Broadleafed upland forest, North Coast coniferous forest/Mesic, streambanks.	Mar- Jul(Aug),	NO POTENTIAL. Project area lacks suitable habitat.
Fissidens pauperculus minute pocket moss	1B.2	North Coast coniferous forest (damp coastal soil).	na	UNLIKELY. Project area is not North Coast coniferous forest.
Gentiana setigera Mendocino gentian	18.2	Lower montane coniferous forest, Meadows and seeps/mesic.	(Apr),(Jul), Aug-Sep	UNLIKELY. Project area is not Lower montane coniferous forest.

Gilia capitata ssp. pacifica Pacific gilia	1B.2	Coastal bluff scrub, Chaparral (openings), Coastal prairie, Valley and foothill grassland.	Apr-Aug	MODERATE. Habitat present but disturbed.
Gilia millefoliata dark-eyed gilia	1B.2	Coastal dunes. Apr-Ju		NO POTENTIAL. Occurs on Coastal dunes.
Hesperevax sparsiflora var. brevifolia short-leaved evax	1B.2	Coastal bluff scrub(sandy), Coastal dunes, Coastal prairie	Mar-Jun	UNLIKELY. Project area does not include suitable habitat.
Kopsiopsis hookeri small groundcone	2B.3	North Coast coniferous forest.	Apr-Aug	NO POTENIAL. Project area is North Coast coniferous forest.
Lasthenia californica ssp. macrantha Perennial goldfields	1B.2	Coastal bluff scrub, Coastal dunes, Coastal scrub.	Jan-Nov	NO POTENIAL. Project area does not include suitable habitat.
Lathyrus japonicus seaside pea	2B.1	Coastal dunes.	May-Aug	MODERATE. Occurs and dunes upper beaches. Located outside of the littoral zone.
Lathyrus palustris marsh pea	2B.2	Bogs and fens, Coastal prairie, Coastal scrub, Lower montane coniferous forest, Marshes and swamps, North Coast coniferous forest/mesic.	Mar-Aug	NO POTENTIAL. Parcels do not include suitable wetland habitat.
Layia carnosa beach layia	1B.1, FE, CE	Coastal dunes, Coastal scrub (sandy).	Mar-Jul	NO POTENIAL. Occurs on coastal dunes.
Lewisia oppositifolia opposite-leaved lewisia	2B.2	Lower montane coniferous forest (mesic).	Apr- May(Jun),	NO POTENTIAL. Project area is not Lower montane coniferous forest.
Lilium occidentale western lily	1B.1, CE, FE	Bogs and fens, Coastal bluff scrub, Coastal prairie, Coastal scrub, Marshes and swamps(freshwater), North Coast coniferous forest (openings).	Jun-Jul	NO POTENTIAL. Though known in immediate vicinity habitat not present.
Lysimachia europaea arctic starflower	2B.2	Bogs and fens, Meadows and seeps/coastal.	Jun-Jul	UNLIKELY. Parcels do not include suitable wetland habitat.
Moneses uniflora woodnymph	2B.2	Broadleafed upland forest, North Coast coniferous forest.	May-Aug	UNLIKELY. Parcel does not include North Coast coniferous forest.
Monotropa uniflora ghost-pipe	2B.2	Broadleafed upland forest, North Coast coniferous forest.	Jun- Aug(Sep),	NO POTENTIAL. Parcel does not include North Coast coniferous forest.
Oenothera wolfii Wolf's evening-primrose	1B.1	Coastal bluff scrub, Coastal dunes, Coastal prairie, Lower montane coniferous forest/sandy, usually mesic.	May-Oct	HIGH. Observed in immediate vicinity. Garden hybrids common in area.
Packera bolanderi var. bolanderi seacoast ragwort	2B.2	Coastal scrub, North Coast coniferous forest/Sometimes roadsides.	(Jan),(Feb), (Apr),May- Jul(Aug),	MODERATE, Marginal habitat at best along roads.

Phacelia argentea sand dune phacelia	1B.1	Coastal dunes.	Jun-Aug	MODERATE. Occurs on coastal dunes.
Pinguicula macroceras horned butterwort	2B.2	Bogs and fens (serpentinite).	Apr-Jun	NO POTENTIAL. Occurs on serpentine.
Piperia candida white-flowered rein orchid	1B.2	Broadleafed upland forest, Lower montane coniferous forest, North Coast coniferous forest/sometimes Serpentinite.	(Mar), May-Sep	NO POTENTIAL. Typically occurs in forest with a Douglas-fir and tanoak component.
Polemonium carneum Oregon polemonium	2B.2	Coastal prairie, Coastal scrub, Lower montane coniferous forest.	Apr-Sep	UNLIKELY. Project area does contain coastal prairie
Potamogeton foliosus ssp. fibrillosus fibrous pondweed	2B.3	Marshes and swamps (assorted shallow freshwater).	unk	UNLIKELY
Prosartes parvifolia Siskiyou bells	1B.2	Lower montane coniferous forest, Upper montane coniferous forest/Often roadsides, disturbed areas, and burned areas.	May-Sep	NO POTENTIAL. project area is not Upper montane coniferous foreste.
Pyrrocoma racemosa var. congesta Del Norte pyrrocoma	2B.3	Chaparral, Lower montane coniferous forest/serpentinite.	Aug-Sep	NO POTENTIAL. Occurs on serpentine.
Ramalina thrausta angel's hair lichen	2B.1	North Coast coniferous forest/On dead twigs and other lichens.	na	UNLIKELY. Project area is not North Coast coniferous forest.
Romanzoffia tracyi Tracy's romanzoffia	2B.3	Coastal bluff scrub, Coastal scrub/rocky.	Mar-May	UNLIKELY. project area lacks rocky habitat.
Sabulina howellii Howell's sandwort	1B.3	Chaparral, Lower montane coniferous forest/serpentinite, xeric.	Apr-Jul	NO POTENTIAL. Occurs on serpentine.
Sagittaria sanfordii Sanford's arrowhead	1B.2	Marshes and swamps (assorted shallow freshwater).	May- Oct(Nov),	NO POTENTIAL. Project area does not include wetland habitat.
Sanguisorba officinalis great burnet 2B.2		Bogs and fens, Broadleafed upland forest, Meadows and seeps, Marshes and swamps, North Coast coniferous forest, Riparian forest/often Serpentinite.	Jul-Oct	UNLIKELY. Parcels do not include wetland habitat.
Sidalcea malviflora ssp. patula Siskiyou checkerbloom	1B.2	Coastal bluff scrub, Coastal prairie, North Coast coniferous forest/often roadcuts.	May-Aug	UNLIKELY. Marginal habitat along sunset circle
Sidalcea oregana ssp. eximia coast checkerbloom	18.2	Lower montane coniferous forest, Meadows and seeps, North Coast coniferous forest.	Jun-Aug	UNLIKELY. Marginal habitat along sunset circle
Silene serpentinicola serpentine catchfly	1B.2	Chaparral, Lower montane coniferous forest/serpentinite openings; gravelly or rocky.	May-Jul	NO POTENTIAL. Occurs on serpentine.
Streptanthus howellii Howell's jewel-flower	1B.2	Lower montane coniferous forest (serpentinite, rocky).	Jul-Aug	NO POTENTIAL. Occurs on serpentine.

Triquetrella californica coast triquetrella	1B.2	Coastal bluff scrub, Coastal scrub.		NO POTENTIAL.
Vaccinium scoparium little-leaved huckleberry	2B.2	Subalpine coniferous forest (rocky).	Jun-Aug	NO POTENTIAL. Occurs on serpentine.
Viola adunca western dog violet	*Host for OSB	Occurs in a variety of forests, meadows, and wetlands.	Apr-Sept	MODERATE.
Viola langsdorffii Langsdorf's violet	2B.1	Bogs and fens (coastal).	May-Jul	NO POTENTIAL. Project area does not include wetland habitat.
Viola palustris alpine marsh violet	2B.2	Bogs and fens(coastal), Coastal scrub(mesic.)	Mar-Aug	NO POTENTIAL. Project area does not include wetland habitat
Viola primulifolia ssp. occidentalis western white bog violet	1B.2	Bogs and fens(serpentinite), Marshes and swamps.	Apr-Sep	NO POTENTIAL. Project area does not include wetland habitat.

California Endangered Species Act (CESA)

CE: California Endangered

CT: California Threated

CR: California Rare

\* Plant of local biological significance

SPECIAL STATUS PLANT LISTING

**STATUS** 

Endangered Species Act (ESA) FE: Federally Endangered

FT: Federally Threated

FR: Federally Rare

California Rare Plant Ranks

1A: Plants Presumed Extirpated in California and Either Rare or Extinct Elsewhere

1B: Plants Rare, Threatened, or Endangered in California and Elsewhere

2A: Plants Presumed Extirpated in California, But Common Elsewhere

2B: California Rare Plant Rank 2B: Plants Rare, Threatened, or Endangered in CA, But More Common Elsewhere Threat Ranks

0.1 Seriously threatened in California (over 80% of occurrences threatened / high degree and immediacy of threat)

0.2 Moderately threatened in California (20 80% occurrences threatened / moderate degree and immediacy of threat)

0.3 Not very threatened in California (less than 20% of occurrences threatened / low degree and immediacy of threat or no

ANIMALS (October 2017 CNDDB Database for Crescent City and Smith River Quads)

SPECIES LATIN NAME Common Name	LISTING STATUS (FED/CA)		POTENTIAL TO OCCUR ON-SITE
Actinemys marmorata Western pond turtle	Under review	Found in ponds, lakes, rivers, streams, creeks, marshes with abundant vegetation, and either rocky or muddy bottoms, in woodland, forest, and grassland. In streams, prefers pools to shallower areas. Logs, rocks, cattail mats, and exposed banks are required for basking.	
Arborimus pomo Sonoma tree vole	None, SSC	Somona County. In Douglas-fir, redwood &	NO POTENTIAL. Habitat not present (i.e. not montane)
Ascaphus truei Pacific tailed frog	None, SSC		NO POTENTIAL. Habitat not present.

	ET ICE	For the control of the second plant plant plant	NO POTENTIAL. Habitat
Brachyramphus marmoratus	FI/SE	Feeds near-shore; nests inland along coast	
Marbled murrelet		from eureka to oregon border and from half	not present.
10		moon bay to santa cruz. Nests in old-growth	
		redwood-dominated forests, up to six miles	
		inland, often in douglas-fir.	
Charadrius alexandrinus	FT/SSC	Sandy beaches, levees and shores.	MODERATE. Habitat
nivosus			present in vicinity.
Western snowy plover			
Coccyzus americanus	FC/SE	Nests in tall cottonwood and willow riparian	NO POTENTIAL. Not
occidentalis		woodland. Requires patches of at least 25	known to nest in NW CA
Western yellow-billed cuckoo		acres of dense riparian forest with a canopy	(Hunter et al. 2005) yet
		cover of at least 50 percent in bother	prior obs. in Del Norte.
		understory and overstory; nests typically in	
		mature willows.	
Corynorhinus townsendii	None, SSC	Throughout California in a wide variety of	UNKOWN. Adjacent to
Townsend's big-eared bat	<i>a</i>	habitats. Most common in mesic sites. Roosts	developments and busy
		in the open, hanging from walls and ceilings.	roads.
		Roosting sites limiting. Extremely sensitive to	
		human disturbance.	
Empidonax traillii brewsteri	SE	Mountain meadows and riparian habitats in	NO POTENTIAL.
Little willow flycatcher		the Sierra Nevada and Cascades. Requires	
		dense shrubs for nesting and roosting. Occurs	
		generally near low velocity stream habitat,	
_ , , ,		seeps or standing water.	MODERATE.
Eucyclogobius newberryi	FE	Brackish water habitats along the california	IVIODERATE.
tidewater goby		coast. Found in shallow lagoons and lower	
		stream reaches	NO DOTENTIAL
Fratercula cirrhata	SSC	Nests along the coast on islands, islets, or	NO POTENTIAL.
tufted puffin		(rarely) mainland cliffs.	
Haliaeetus leucocephalus	FD/SE	Generally found along margins of water	UNLIKELY to occur at
bald eagle		sources (ocean, lakes, rivers). Nests in large	project site.
		trees within one mile of water.	
Limnephilus atercus	None	Known only from Fort Dick in Del Norte	NO POTENTIAL.
Fort Dick limnephilus caddisfly		County.	
Martes caurina	Candidate	Late successional coniferous forests, prefer	NO POTENTIAL. No late
humboldtensis	Endangered	forests with low overhead and complex cover.	
Humboldt marten	Endangered	Olests With low overhead and complex cover.	habitat present.
	ccc	Colonial nester on offshore islets	NO POTENTIAL.
Oceanodroma furcate	SSC	Colonial nester on offshore islets	NO POTENTIAL.
fork-tailed storm petrel			
	SSC	Small coastal streams from the Eel River to	UNLIKELY. Stream
coastal cutthroat trout			habitat created by storm
		low-gradient tributaries from December	drain outfall.
		through May, with a peak in February	
		(Trotter, 1989). Flexible life history strategy	4
		(including anadromy) though highly	
		dependent on freshwater habitats.	
O. kisutch	FT/ST	Adult Coho Salmon generally enter the	UNLIKELY. Coho occur in
Coho Salmon	.,,,,	Klamath around October and spawn in low	nearby Elk Creek.
		gradient tributaries. Juveniles prefer complex	
		instream habitat in low gradient streams.	area but very unlikely.
Pelecanus occidentalis	CE/CE	Near-shore waters along coast; nests on	UNLIKELY. Urban setting
	FE/SE	islands in Central and South America.	in busy area with no
californicus		isiands in Central and South America.	in busy area with no

California brown pelican			preferred habitat.
Pekania pennanti Fisher	SSC	Intermediate to large-tree stages of coniferous forests and deciduous-riparian areas with high percent canopy closure. Uses cavities, snags, logs and rocky areas for cover and denning. Needs large areas of mature, dense forest.	NO POTENTIAL. Habitat not availalble.
Phoebastris albatrus short-tailed albatross	FE	Pelagic. Observed in off-shore marine habitat. Rarely observed in nearshore habitats.	NO POTENTIAL.
Plethodon elongates Del Norte salamander	SSC	Old-growth associated species with optimum conditions in the mixed conifer/hardwood ancient forest ecosystem.	NO POTENTIAL. Habitat not present
Polites mardon mardon skipper	FC	Occur in rocky serpentine meadows containing Festuca idahoensis	NO POTENTIAL. Habitat not present.
Rana aurora northern red-legged frog	FT/SSC	Dense riparian cover, generally near permanent water. Can be away from water during non-breeding season.	MODERATE. Observed nearby.
Rana boylii foothill yellow legged frog	SSC	Partly-shaded, shallow streams and riffles with a rocky substrate in a variety of habitats.	NO POTENTIAL. Habitat not present.
Rhyacotriton variegates southern torrent salamander	SSC	Coastal redwood, Douglas fir, mixed conifer, montane riparian, and montane hardwood- conifer habitats. Old growth.	NO POTENTIAL. Habitat not present within project site areas.
Speyeria zerene Hippolyta Oregon silverspot butterfly	FT/ST	Coastal meadows in Del Norte. Larvae feed only on the foliage of w.dog violet (viola adunca)	MODERATE. V. adunca not observed.
Spirinchus thaleichthys Iongfin smelt	FCT, SSC	bottom of water column. Prefer salinities of 15-30 ppt, but can be found in completely freshwater to almost pure seawater.	in vicinity but very unlikely in project area.
Strix occidentalis caurina northern spotted owl	FT/ST	90%) in mature coniferous forest. Nest in the tops of trees or in cavities of naturally deformed and/or diseased trees	
Thaleichthys pacificus eulachon	FE/None	Found in klamath river, mad river, Redwood Creek, and in small numbers in Smith River.	UNLIKELY. Could occur in vicinity but very unlikely in project area.

#### Appendix C. Project Pictures

Plate 1. Image of outfall and channel (wetland)



Plate 3. Facing northwest toward outfall in August 2018





Plate 4. Project area near outfall in April 2018



Plates 4-7. Wetland below outfall











#### Appendix E. Plant List and Data Sheets

**PLANT LIST** 

#### \*indicates non-native

\*Alopecurus pratensis

\*Anthoxanthum odoratum

\*Briza major

\*Carpobrotus chilensis

\*Cerastium sp.

\*Conium maculatum

\*Dactylis glomerata

\*Daucus carota

Equisetum telmateia ssp. braunnii

\*Festuca perennis

\*Foeniculum vulgare

Fragaria chiloensis

\*Geranium dissectum

\*Holcus lanatus

\*Hypochaeris radica

Juncus effusus

\*Leontodon sp.

Lomatium spp.

Lupinus sp.

\*Medicago polymorpha

Oenothera wolfii or hybrid

Morella californica

Lathyrus japonicas

\*Trifolium repens

Pinus contorta

\*Plantago lanceolata

\*Ranunculus repens

\*Raphanus sativus

Rosa sp.

\*Rubus armeniacus

Rubus ursinus

\*Rumex acetosella

Rumex sp.

Salix hookeriana

Salix lasiandra

Lotus corniculatus

Meadow foxtail

sweet vernal grass

Rattlesnake grass

Sea fig

chickweed

poison hemlock

orchord grass

Queen anne's lace

giant horsetail

Italian rye grass

tunun i ye Bruss

sweet fennel

Beach strawberry

cut-leaved geranium

velvet grass

hairy cat's ear

bog rush

lupin

burclover

Wolf's evening primrose

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**English plantain** 

creeping buttercup

wild radish

Likely Nootka rose

Himalayan blackberry

California blackberry

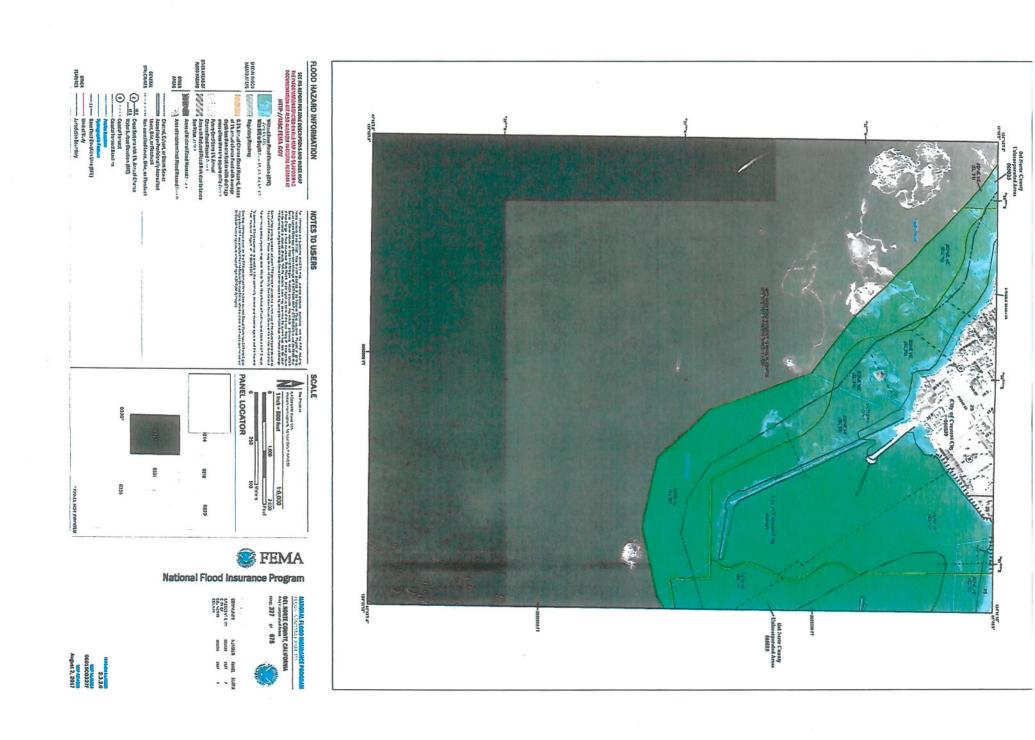
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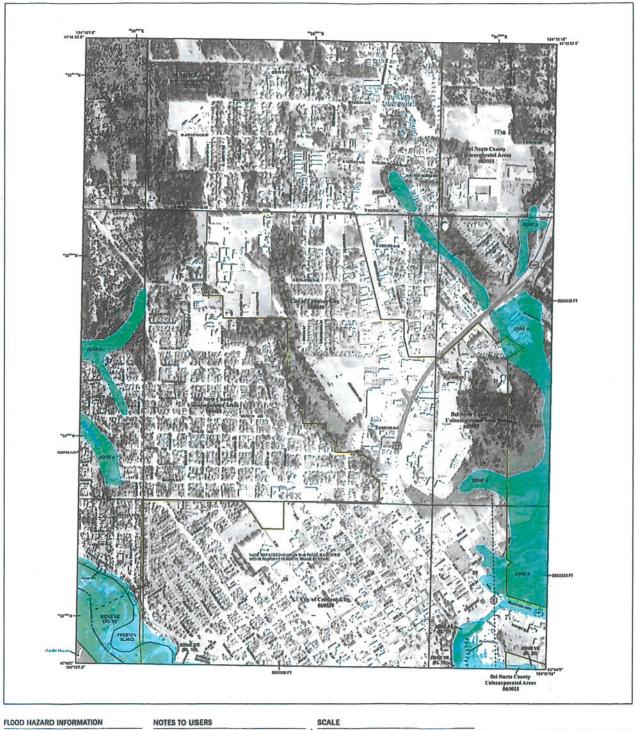
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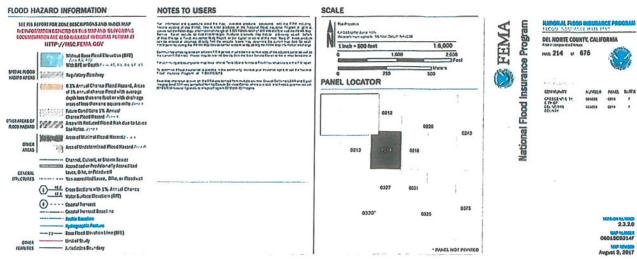
Hooker's willow

Pacific willow

Birdfoot Trefoil







### A Cultural Resources Investigation Report for the Crescent City Storm Drain Project Del Norte County, California



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12.4 Acre Cultural Resources Survey Coverage 7.5' USGS Crescent City and Sisters Rocks CA quadrangles

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CITY OF CRESCENT CITY

Subject:

Geotechnical and Geophysical Evaluation, Front Street, Crescent City,

California

Dear Howard:

SHN Consulting Engineers & Geologists, Inc. (SHN) is pleased to submit this report for geotechnical consulting services relating to the City of Crescent City's Front Street improvement project. Front Street, shown on Figure 1, has been a prominent commercial and historic thoroughfare since its construction in the mid-1800s. Since about the mid-1980s, the structural section of the street has deteriorated. As part of the reconstruction, it is necessary to evaluate the cause of the deterioration and determine what improvements need to be made to rehabilitate the pavement section or supporting subgrade soil.

Prior to 1964, Front Street overlooked the ocean and natural harbor. Following the tsunami of that year, a park was constructed south of Front Street. It is unclear what hydraulic effect the park had on the performance of the pavement. During road repairs over the past several years, five to seven buried logs have been exposed and were either completely or partially removed. Those areas are delineated by patched surfaces along Front Street, generally between K Street and between F and G Streets. In addition, City Engineering personnel have reported settling and deformation of newer improvements including the 36-inch storm drain pipe and associated manholes.

#### Geotechnical Evaluation

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Our objective in this study was to use geophysical techniques to map subsurface anomalies for the purpose of detecting buried logs or other unsuitable material that might cause the distress, and to evaluate the existing pavement structural section and underlying subgrade for adequate support. Our work scope is based our proposal dated April 8, 2011. Our approach and scope of work are as follows.

- a) Conduct a Ground Penetrating Radar (GPR) survey of the road alignment to determine generalized areas where soft soil or obstructions may be present and, if possible, to identify areas where there are structural pavement or subgrade sections that are different.
- b) Excavate 12 shallow pavement cores and hand auger borings to a depth of at least three feet to identify pavement or concrete thickness, thickness and characteristics of the aggregate base material, and characteristics of the underlying subgrade soils.
- c) For pavement design, perform R-value tests of composite aggregate base and subgrade soils. The tests follow appropriate Caltrans and American Society of Testing and Materials-International (ASTM) standards.

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#### Air Monitoring Report for September 2018

#### Air Monitoring Data Summary:

The purpose of this status report is to summarize the ambient air quality data available for the period of April-June 2018.

- ➤ There were no Federal Equivalent Method (FEM) PM<sub>10</sub> exceedances of State or Federal Ambient Air Quality Standard recorded during the period.
- > There were no exceedances of State and Federal Ambient Air Quality Standard recorded during the period.
- ➤ There were no non-FEM PM<sub>2.5</sub> 24 Hour exceedances of the State and Federal Ambient Air Quality Standard recorded during the period in Weaverville. There were no FEM PM<sub>2.5</sub> 24hour exceedances of the State and Federal Ambient Air Quality Standards recorded in Eureka or Crescent City during the period.
- ➤ There were no O<sub>3</sub>, SO<sub>2</sub>, NO<sub>2</sub>, or CO exceedances of the State or Federal Ambient Air Quality Standard recorded during the period.

#### Particulate Levels in Relation to CA Ambient Air Quality Standards

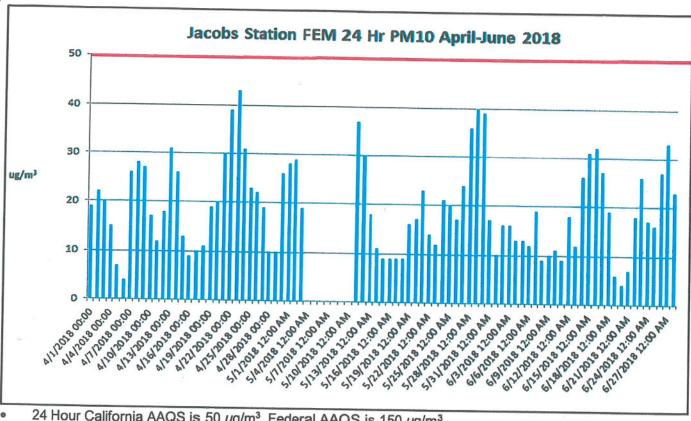
*	Jacobs	Humboldt Hill	<b>Crescent City</b>	Weaverville
Max FEM 24-hour PM <sub>10</sub> (April-June 2018)	86%	NA	NA	NA
FEM PM <sub>10</sub> Rolling Arithmetic Mean (July 2017 -June 2018)	97%#	NA	NA	NA
Max FRM 24-hour PM <sub>2.5</sub> April 2017-June 2018	39%	24%	NA	NA
FRM PM <sub>2.5</sub> Rolling Arithmetic Mean (July 2017 – June 2018)	69%	44%	NA	NA
Max FEM 24-hour PM <sub>2.5</sub> (April-June 2018)	NA	NA	41%	60%*
FEM PM <sub>2.5</sub> Rolling Arithmetic Mean (July 2017-June 2018)	NA	NA	61%	126%*#

<sup>-</sup>Data unavailable

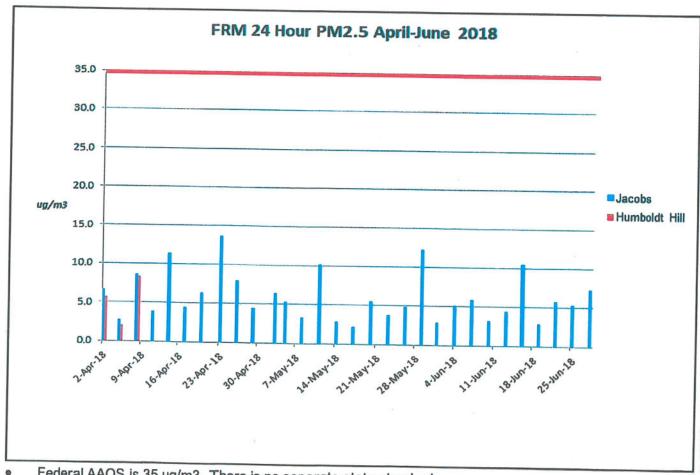
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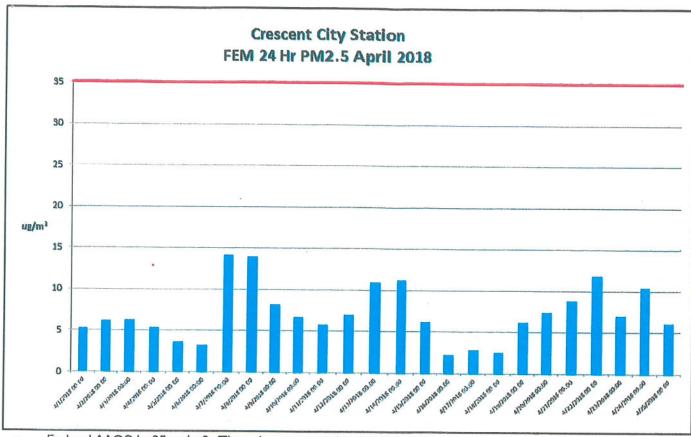
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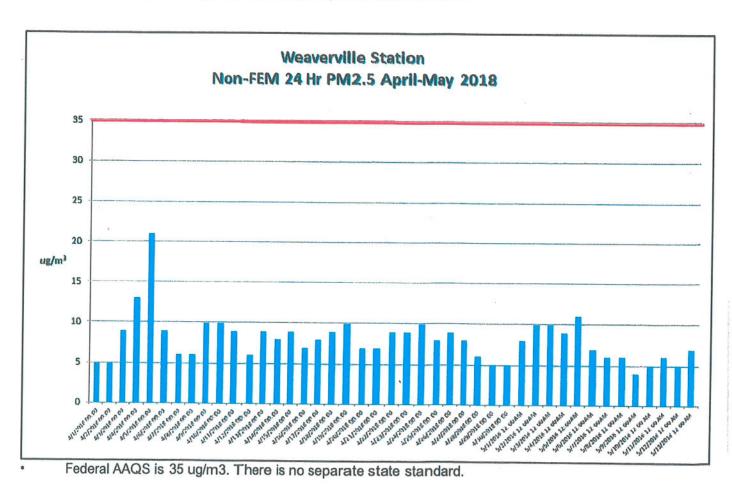
- 24 Hour California AAQS is 50 ug/m³, Federal AAQS is 150 ug/m³.
- California Annual Arithmetic Mean AAQS is 20 ug/m3.
- Humboldt County is classified as non-attainment for this pollutant.

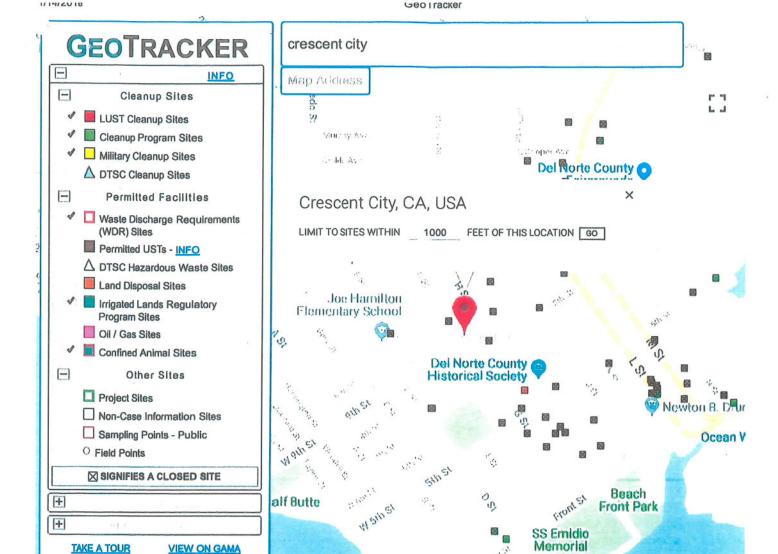


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Federal AAQS is 35 ug/m3. There is no separate state standard.







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December 27, 2017

Mr. Paul Nelson NCRWQCB 5550 Skylane Boulevard, Suite A Santa Rosa, CA 95403

Re: Additional Site Characterization Report of Findings

Former Otten Distribution Bulk Plant 105 D Street, Crescent City, CA NCRWQCB No. 1NDN015 Blue Rock Project No. NC-155

Dear Mr. Nelson,

This report presents the results of additional investigation of the lateral definition of MTBE in groundwater associated with the site at 105 D Street, Crescent City, Del Norte County, California (site) (Figure 1). This report was prepared for C. Renner Petroleum by Blue Rock Environmental, Inc. (Blue Rock). This work was proposed in Blue Rock's Workplan Addendum for Additional Site Characterization dated February 7, 2017 which was concurred with by the North Coast Water Quality Control Board (NCWQCB) in a correspondence dated February 16, 2017.

#### Background

Site Description

The site is located on the southern side of D Street, between Front and 2<sup>nd</sup> Streets, in Crescent City, California (Figure 1). The site is an active fuel service station dispensing gasoline and diesel fuels from eight above-ground storage tanks (ASTs) that are routed below ground to three fuel dispenser islands (Figure 2). The site is served by public utilities for drinking water and sewer disposal. Surrounding land use is mixed commercial and residential.

Diesel Release - 1990

A surface release of diesel fuel from a 2,000-gallon AST was confirmed on April 2, 1990, during the removal of the AST located in the center-rear portion of the site (Figure 2). Laboratory results of two surface soil samples reported total petroleum hydrocarbons as diesel (TPHd) at concentrations up to 7,700 parts per million (ppm).

#### Summary of Initial Corrective Action

As an initial corrective action, excavation was proposed to remove the diesel-impacted soil. Approximately 10 cubic yards of impacted soil was initially excavated. Confirmation soil sampling analysis detected TPHd was still present at concentrations up to 7,400 ppm. As a result, approximately five additional cubic yards of impacted soil was excavated. All excavated soil was stockpiled onsite pending future bioremediation treatment. Final confirmation soil sample analysis detected a maximum residual concentration of TPHd of 6.1 ppm, confirming that impacted soil was effectively removed.

In a January 7, 1994 correspondence, BB&A Environmental (BB&A) proposed to collect soil and groundwater samples from a temporary soil boring proximal to the excavation zone to assess if petroleum hydrocarbon impact extended beyond the excavation limits. Furthermore, in a February 4, 1994 correspondence, the North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board (NCRWQCB) requested an additional soil boring to assess if petroleum impact was present near a 1,000-gallon gasoline underground storage tank (UST), which had been previously abandoned in place.

In response, on March 10, 1994, BB&A completed two soil borings, B1 and WCC-B1, near the abandoned gasoline UST and the former diesel AST, immediately north of the large AST battery on-site (Figure 2). Soil and groundwater samples were collected from both borings and analyzed for gasoline-range and diesel-range hydrocarbons (TPHg/TPHd) and volatile aromatic hydrocarbons including benzene, toluene, ethylbenzene, and xylenes (BTEX). The laboratory results reported TPHg and TPHd impacts were present in both soil and groundwater. BTEX compounds were also detected in groundwater with a maximum benzene concentration of 17,000 parts per billion (ppb) at boring B1 adjacent to the abandoned gasoline UST.

#### Summary of Investigation Activities

Site investigations conducted since 1994 have included the completion of 5 temporary borings, 3 soil vapor extraction wells, 1 air-sparge well, and 11 groundwater monitoring wells. The locations of these investigation points are shown on Figure 2. Monitoring well construction data are presented in Table 1 and cumulative soil and groundwater data are summarized in Tables 2 through 5.

#### Summary of Soil Vapor Extraction / Air Sparge (SVE/AS) Activities

A soil vapor extraction/air-sparge (SVE/AS) remediation system began operating at the site in April 1995 and continued through June 1998. Documentation of SVE/AS activities and data, however, is incomplete. According to reports available on the SWRCB GeoTracker website and on file at the NCRWQCB, the SVE system removed approximately 30 lbs of hydrocarbons. Following a review of the remedial system effectiveness, the NCRWQCB approved suspending SVE on July 1, 1998.

Sensitive Receptor Survey Summary

A 1,500-foot radius sensitive-receptor survey was performed by BB&A in 2002. The survey identified four properties with domestic wells, however, all four wells were located greater than 1,000 feet from the site and generally upgradient. No other sensitive receptors were identified.

Summary of Petroleum Type

Chemicals released to the subsurface at the site consist of petroleum hydrocarbons. Laboratory analysis of soil and groundwater samples have reported various concentrations of TPH as motor oil (TPHmo), TPHd, TPHg, VOCs including BTEX, fuel oxygenates MTBE and TAME, and select semi-volatile organic compounds (SVOCs). Impact primarily consists of TPHd, TPHg, BTEX, and fuel oxygenate compounds (Table 4).

Physiography and Hydrogeology

The site is situated in the coastal plain within Crescent City limits at an elevation of approximately 15 feet above mean sea level. The site is mostly underlain by Quaternary Alluvium deposits (Q) consisting of older alluvium, playa, and terrace deposits. Regional geology is likely influenced by tectonic activity as the Cascadia Subduction Zone (CSZ) and numerous northwest to southeast oriented low angle faults are located offshore of Crescent City.

Based on previous investigations, the subsurface generally consists of silty and sandy clays to approximately four feet below ground surface (ft bgs), extending locally up to 10 ft bgs. This is underlain by fine to medium grained sand extending to the contact with the underlying bedrock unit encountered between 13 to 15 ft bgs.

Groundwater is generally encountered at approximately 2 to 5 ft bgs and groundwater flow direction has historically been reported varying from north to east at gradients between 0.001 and 0.023 foot per foot (ft/ft). In general, groundwater flow typically follows local topography. However, at this site, the groundwater flow direction has appeared opposite of what surface topography would suggest. In previous reports, this occurrence has been attributed to several sand bodies potentially acting as preferential pathways affecting localized groundwater flow beneath the site. Groundwater flow during recent events has generally been toward the east at gradients between approximately 0.0095 and 0.063 foot per foot (ft/ft).

Monitoring and Reporting Program

There are nine groundwater monitoring wells at the site: MW-1 through MW-7, MW-10, and MW-11. Per the Monitoring and Reporting Order number (MRP) R1-2012-0023, site wells have been designated as either core wells (MW-1, MW-2, MW-4 to MW-6, and MW-10) or non-core wells (MW-3, MW-7, and MW-11). All wells are monitored semi-annually. All wells are sampled in the April event, however only core monitoring wells are sampled in the September event.

### **Downgradient Investigation Activities**

Proposed Scope of Work

The purpose of the work described herein was to further evaluate the distal and vertical extent of dissolved-phase contamination, specifically MTBE, at the site. As noted by the NCRWQCB, due to increasing concentrations of MTBE in MW-10, there is potential that MTBE has migrated to locations where previous groundwater sampling data are outdated (i.e. data from P-1 and P-2 in 2011). This was completed through the collection of depth discrete groundwater samples at three locations (B-4 through B-6) southeasterly of the site (Figure 2). The tasks completed during this phase of work include:

- At each drilling location utilizing a Hydropunch®, collect depth-discrete grab groundwater samples from individual borings at depths of:
  - 4-8 ft bgs,
  - o 8-12 ft bgs,
- Collection of groundwater samples from borings for laboratory analysis.
- Preparation of this report.

Permitting

Prior to drilling, Blue Rock obtained soil boring permit from the Del Norte County of Environmental Health. An encroachment permit was obtained from the City of Crescent City to drill in the right-of-way. Prior to drilling, the drilling locations were marked in white paint and Underground Service Alert was notified to identify utilities proximal to the proposed drilling locations. Blue Rock also prepared a site specific Health and Safety Plan.

**Drilling Activities** 

On November 2, 2017 a Blue Rock scientist, working under the direction of a California Professional Geologist at Blue Rock, supervised all drilling and sampling activities. Drilling was performed by a C-57 licensed driller using a truck-mounted direct-push drill-rig equipped with two and a quarter-inch diameter hydropunch tool. After subsurface utility clearance, two individual boreholes approximately 1 foot apart were drilled at each location and one depth discrete grab groundwater samples was collected from each borehole to reduce the likelihood of cross contamination. At the first boring for each drilling location, a hydropunch tool was driven directly to the depth of 8 ft bgs to sample the depth interval 4-8 ft bgs, then the tool was removed, decontaminated. At the second boring for each drilling location, a hydropunch tool was driven directly to the depth of 12 ft bgs to sample the depth interval 8-12 ft bgs, then the tool was removed, decontaminated. A total of 6 grab groundwater samples were retained for laboratory analysis were placed in laboratory supplied containers, labeled, documented on a chain-of-custody form, and placed on ice in a cooler for transport to the project laboratory.

Grab Groundwater Sample Analysis

A California DHS-certified laboratory analyzed the groundwater samples for concentrations of:

- TPHg by EPA Method 8260B
- BTEX by EPA Method 8260B
- MTBE by EPA Method 8260B
- DIPE, ETBE, TBA, TAME by EPA Method 8260B

Upon completion of sampling, all boreholes were backfilled to the surface with hydrated bentonite and finished at the surface with asphalt. Drill-rod, hand-augers, and sampling devices were decontaminated in an Alconox® wash followed by double rinse in clean tap water to prevent cross-contamination. Rinseate was stored in labeled 55-gallon drums on-site pending removal and disposal.

#### **Downgradient Investigation Results**

Soil Types Observed

No soil was collected during this phase of investigation. The hydropunch tool was driven directly to the target depths for the collection of depth discrete grab groundwater samples only. Boring logs B-4 through B-6 are attached.

#### Groundwater Sample Analytical Results

Sample Depth 4-8 ft bgs

TPHg concentrations:

<50 μg/L (B-4, B-5, B-6)

Benzene concentrations:

<0.5 µg/L (B-4, B-5, B-6)

MTBE concentrations:

 $0.57 \mu g/L (B-4) to 2.7 \mu g/L (B-5)$ 

Sample Depth 8-12 ft bgs

TPHg concentrations:

<50 μg/L (B-4, B-5, B-6))

Benzene concentrations:

<0.5 µg/L (B-4, B-5, B-6)

MTBE concentrations:

 $7.0 \mu g/L (B-4) \text{ to } 10.1 \mu g/L (B-5)$ 

Cumulative groundwater sample data for TPHg, benzene, and MTBE are shown in Figure 4. Cumulative grab groundwater analytical data are summarized in Table 3 and the laboratory report and chain-of-custody form are attached.

## Discussion of Distal Extent of Dissolved-Phase Contamination

One of the main purposes of this investigation was to further characterize the southeasterly (general downgradient) extent of the dissolved-phase hydrocarbons as groundwater sampling data from previous borings P-1 and P-2 may not represent current conditions, particularly at the depth interval of 4-8 ft bgs and 8-12 ft bgs as concentrations of MTBE on site exceed water quality objectives. The new borings, B-4 and B-5, were located adjacent to former borings P-1 and P-2. Boring B-6 was located approximately 40 feet southerly of B-5. The borings were placed in these locations to determine if concentrations of dissolved-phase MTBE have increased significantly thus indicating an unstable plume.

Concentrations of all dissolved-phase gasoline range hydrocarbons in B-4 to B-6 were below instrument detection limits with the exception of MTBE. MTBE concentrations at the 4-8 ft bgs depth interval in B-4, B-5 and B-6 (0.57  $\mu$ g/L, 2.7  $\mu$ g/L and 1.4  $\mu$ g/L respectively) were similar to the 2011 groundwater concentrations at the 3-7 ft bgs depth interval in borings P-1 and P-2 (4.3  $\mu$ g/L and 0.94  $\mu$ g/L respectively) indicating concentrations below the water quality objective at this depth interval and similar to the 2011 sample data for this depth interval. MTBE concentrations at the 8-12 ft bgs depth interval in B-4, B-5 and B-6 slightly exceeded water quality objective (7.0  $\mu$ g/L, 10.1  $\mu$ g/L and 8.9  $\mu$ g/L respectively).

The downgradient edge of the MTBE plume at the WQO of 5  $\mu$ g/L for the depth interval of 8-12 ft bgs was estimated by plotting MTBE concentrations versus distance for data sets of MW-2 / and B-5-12ft and extrapolating the slope to the WQO. The MTBE plume edge at the 8-12 ft bgs depth interval (essentially the bedrock surface) is estimated to be located approximately 165 feet north of MW-2 and 15 feet north of B-5-12ft (see attached graph). Concentrations of MTBE appear to attenuate fairly rapidly beyond MW-10.

# Discussion of Vertical Extent of Dissolved Phase Contamination

Another goal of this investigation was to define the vertical extent of downgradient dissolved-phase impacts previously detected in borings P-1 and P-2 at a depth of approximately 7 ft bgs. The sample results from boring B-4, B-5, and B-6 at a depth of 8-12 ft bgs effectively define the vertical extent of dissolved-phase impacts due to the fact that the samples were collected at the bedrock surface. Generally, MTBE appears to migrate downwards at the source, coming into contact with the bedrock surface and subsequently migrating downgradient.

#### **Project Status**

- Based on the data presented, the lateral and vertical extent of dissolved-phase MTBE is well understood and does not warrant additional monitoring well placement.
- The next groundwater monitoring event is scheduled for mid-April 2018 per MRP R1-2012-0023.

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#### Certification

This report was prepared under the supervision of a California Professional Geologist at Blue Rock. All statements, conclusions, and recommendations are based upon published results from past consultants, field observations by Blue Rock, and analyses performed by a state-certified laboratory as they relate to the time, location, and depth of points sampled by Blue Rock. Interpretation of data, including spatial distribution and temporal trends, are based on commonly used geologic and scientific principles. It is possible that interpretations, conclusions, and recommendations presented in this report may change, as additional data become available and/or regulations change.

Information and interpretation presented herein are for the sole use of the client and regulating agency. The information and interpretation contained in this document should not be relied upon by a third party.

The service performed by Blue Rock has been conducted in a manner consistent with the level of care and skill ordinarily exercised by members of our profession currently practicing under similar conditions in the area of the site. No other warranty, expressed or implied, is made.

If you have any questions, please contact Scott Ferriman at (707) 441-1934 or Brian Gwinn at (650) 522-9292.

Sincerely,

Blue Rock Environmental, Inc.

Andrew LoCicero Project Scientist Brian Gwinn, PG Principal Geologist

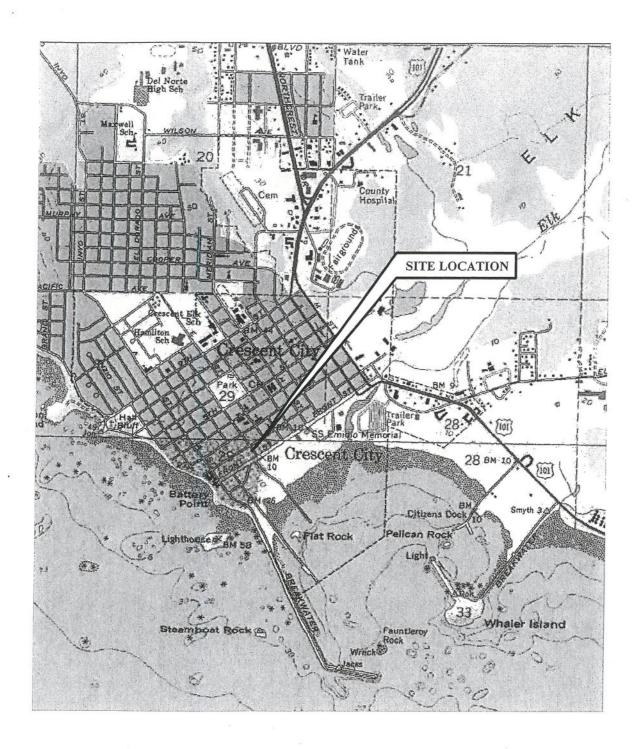
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#### Attachments:

- Table 1: Well Construction Details
- Table 2: Soil Analytical Data
- Table 3: Grab Groundwater Sample Analytical Data
- Table 4: Groundwater Elevations and Sample Analytical Data
- Table 5: Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbon Analytical Data
- Table 6: Groundwater Monitoring Schedule
- Figure 1: Site Location Map
- Figure 2: Site Plan
- Figure 3: Groundwater Elevations and Gradient 9/9/17
- Figure 4: Cumulative MTBE in Groundwater
- Chart 1: MTBE Concentration Trend Analysis (MW-2 to B-5)
- Boring Logs
- Blue Rock's Field Sheet
- · Laboratory Analytical Reports including Chain-of-Custody Forms

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# SITE LOCATION MAP

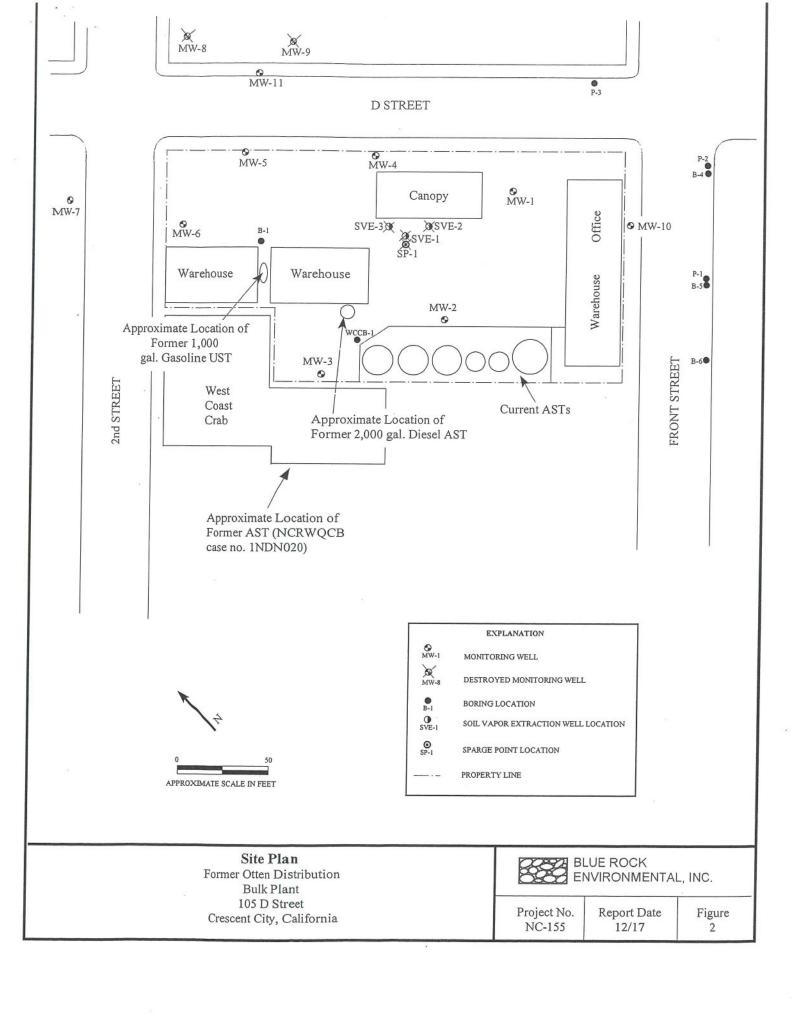
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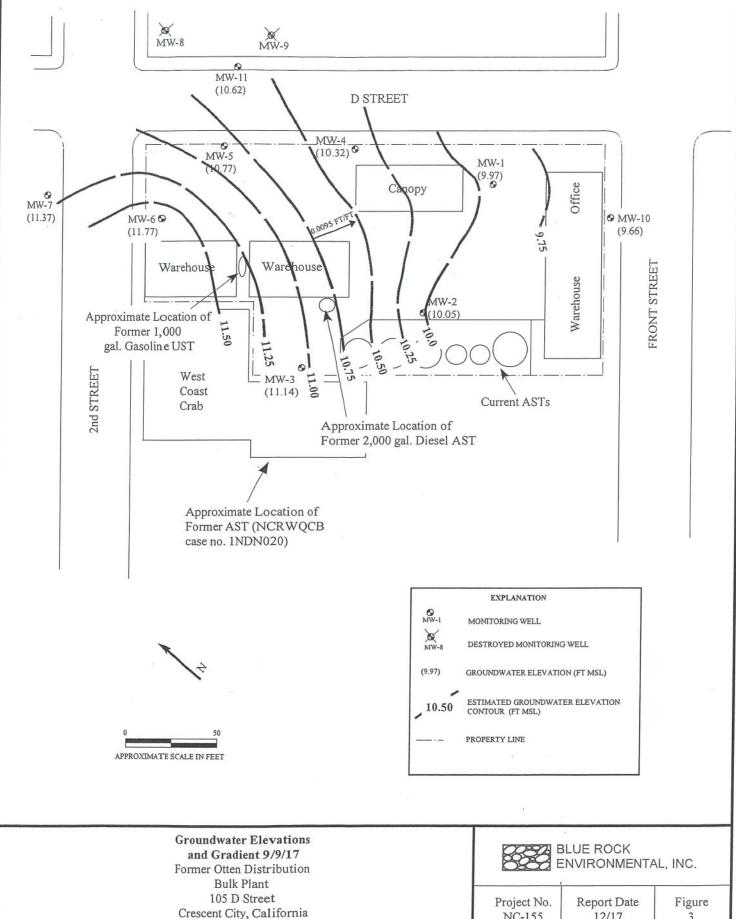


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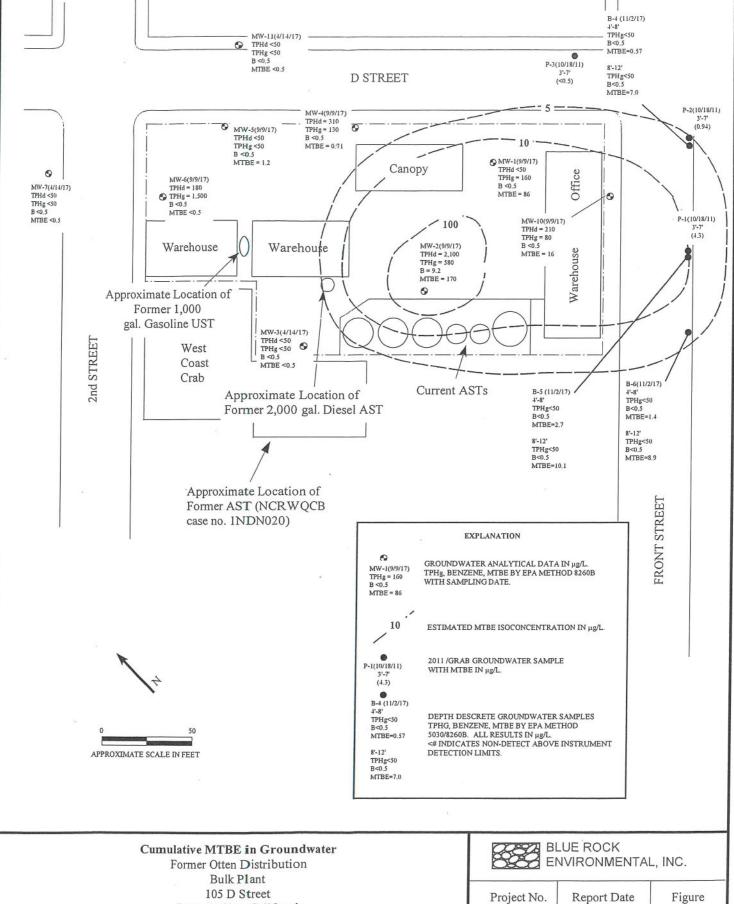
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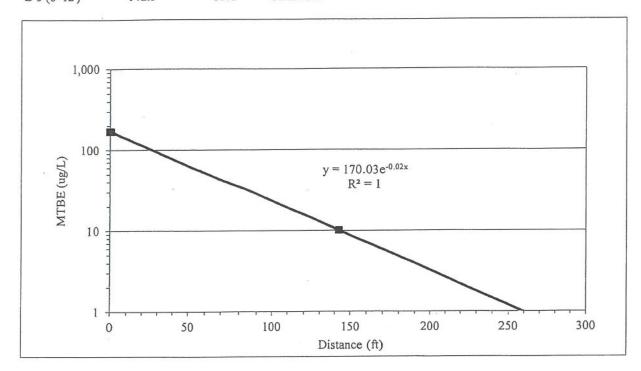
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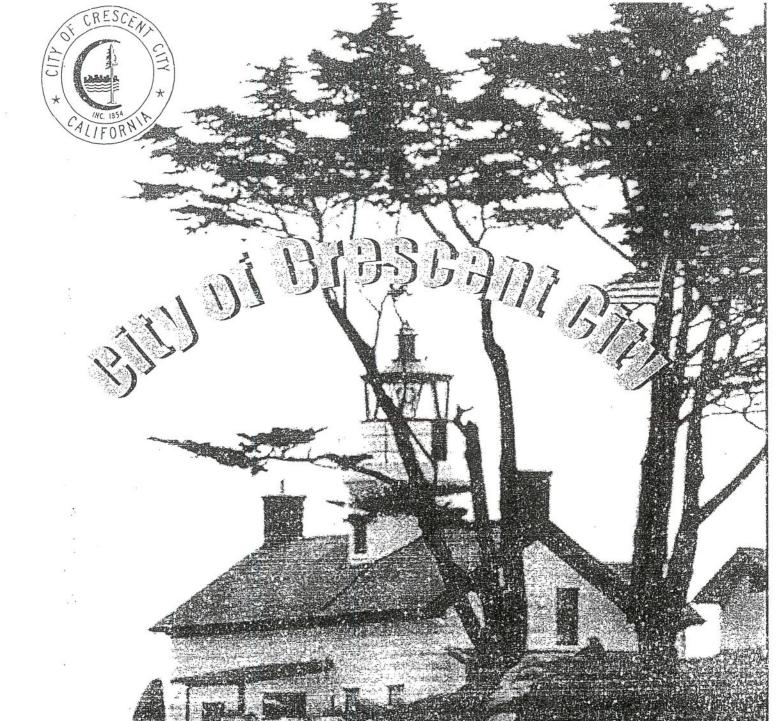
Figure 4

# Chart 1 MTBE Concentration vs Distance Trend Analysis (MW-2 to B-5)

Former Otten Distribution Bulk Plant 105 D Street Crescent City, CA

Distance from			
Well / Boring	MW-2 (ft)	MTBE (ug/L)	Most recent sample date
B-5 (8'-12')	142.5	10.1	11/2/2017





# General Plan

Background Report

May 21, 2001

