



CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT
Notice of Exemption

To: ☒ Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation
State Clearinghouse
1400 Tenth Street, Room 113
Sacramento, CA 95814

From: Contra Costa County
Department of Conservation and
Development
30 Muir Road
Martinez, CA 94553

☒ County Clerk, County of Contra Costa

Project Title: Pinehurst Road Erosion Repair at Milepost 1.7, Project# WO4515, CP#26-09
Project Applicant: Contra Costa County Public Works Department, 255 Glacier Drive, Martinez, CA 94553, (925) 313-2000, Contact: Sandeep Kajla, (925) 313-2022, sandeep.kajla@pw.cccounty.us
Project Location: Pinehurst Road at milepost 1.7, which is 0.6 miles north of the intersection with Canyon Road in unincorporated Canyon, west Contra Costa County, (APN(s): 257-070-009)
Lead Agency: Department of Conservation and Development, 30 Muir Road, Martinez, CA 94553
Contact Person: Syd Sotoodeh (925) 655-2877 syd.sotoodeh@dcd.cccounty.us

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:

The purpose of this project is to repair an embankment failure and reconstruct the roadway to restore two-way traffic along Pinehurst Road, which was damaged during winter storm events. The road is currently limited to one travel lane.

The embankment will be repaired by constructing two soldier pile walls with root wad revetment and boulder toe armoring, and by replacing a storm drain culvert that crosses underneath the roadway. The soldier pile walls will be approximately 40 and 80 feet long. The piles for the walls will be installed by drilling into 35-foot-deep holes; no pile driving will occur. Excavations up to 25 feet deep are required to install the soldier pile lagging. A guardrail will also be installed.

Drainage improvements include replacing the existing 24-inch corrugated metal pipe culvert crossing Pinehurst Road with a 30-inch reinforced concrete pipe culvert to properly convey flows from the adjacent hillside. A new inlet will be installed at the culvert. The roadway thermoplastic striping will match the existing striping. Equipment staging will likely occur along the closed lane of Pinehurst Road.

Appropriate Best Management Practices (BMPs), including but not limited to erosion control measures such as fiber rolls, silt fencing, and hydroseeding of temporarily disturbed areas, will be implemented during construction. Regulatory permits will be obtained before construction. Approximately five trees will be removed, and approximately ten trees will require trimming. Real property transactions, including right-of-way acquisition, may be necessary to support the project. Utility relocations may also be needed.

The project is anticipated to begin in summer 2027 and take approximately 80 days to complete. During construction, one-way reversing traffic control will be in place. Emergency vehicles will always have access. Traffic control signs will be installed before and during construction. No night or weekend work is anticipated.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Contra Costa County

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Contra Costa County Public Works Department

Exempt Status:

- ☐ Ministerial Project (Sec. 21080[b][1]; 15268) ☒ Categorical Exemption (Sec. 15301(c))
☐ Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080[b][3]; 15269[a]) ☐ General Rule of Applicability (Sec. 15061[b][3])
☐ Emergency Project (Sec. 21080[b][4]; 15269[b][c]) ☐ Other Statutory Exemption (Sec.)

Reason why project is exempt: The project consists of the repair and reconstruction of an existing street, drainage system, and associated embankment failure, with the addition of two soldier pile walls with root wad revetment and boulder toe armoring involving negligible expansion of use beyond that previously existing pursuant to Article 19, Section 15301(c) of the CEQA Guidelines.

If filed by applicant:

1. Attach certified document of exemption finding.
2. Has a Notice of Exemption been filed by the public agency approving the project? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Signature:  Title: Senior Planner Date: June 24, 2026
Contra Costa County Department of Conservation and Development
☒ Signed by Lead Agency ☐ Signed by Applicant

Applicant

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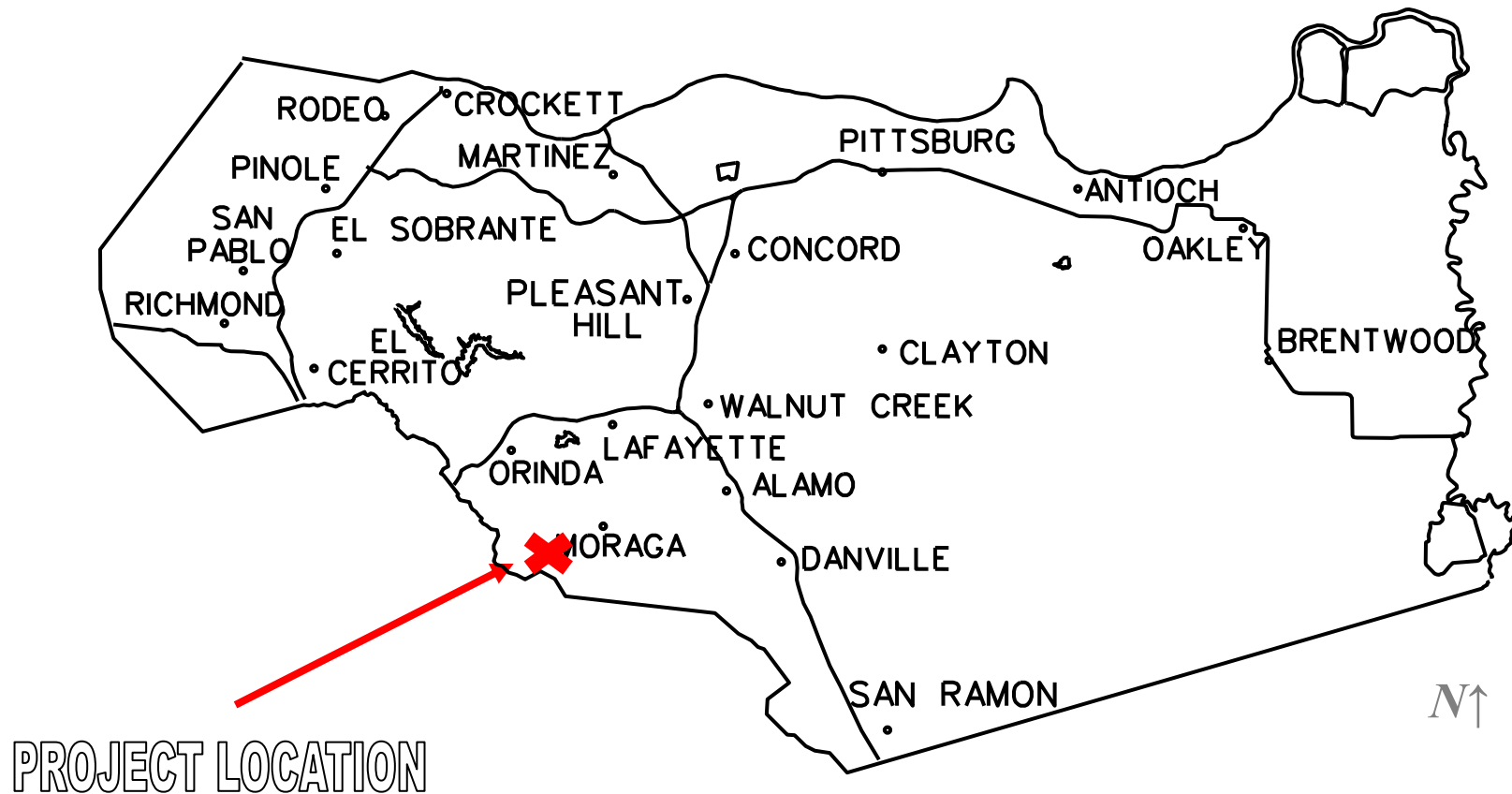
Department of Fish and Wildlife Fees Due

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

Total Due:

Receipt #:

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FIGURE 1: Regional Location Map



Project Site

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FIGURE 2: Project Vicinity Map