



CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT
Notice of Exemption

To: ☒ Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation
State Clearinghouse
1400 Tenth Street
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: FCZ 3B Grayson Creek Bank Erosion Repair, WO9M08, CP#25-13

Project Applicant: Contra Costa County Flood Control & Water Conservation District, 255 Glacier Drive, Martinez, CA 94553, (925) 313-2000, Contact: Alex Nattkemper (925) 313-2364
alex.nattkemper@pw.cccounty.us

Project Location: Maintenance road on the western bank of Grayson Creek, approximately 380 feet south of Golf Club Road, Pleasant Hill; APN 153-040-009

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 restore a gravel maintenance road and creek channel bank that eroded as a result of the road being over-topped by surface flow during a storm event. The erosion is approximately 19 feet long, 9 feet wide and 4 feet deep. This erosion has narrowed the usable width of the existing maintenance road and prevents County Maintenance staff from accessing a section of Grayson Creek. The repair will consist of cutting an approximately 6-foot-deep key into the channel bank and placing rock slope protection (RSP) and engineered fill to protect against erosion, which will be compacted up the slope. Topsoil will be placed over the engineered fill and hydroseeded with a native seed mix. The bank repair will extend approximately 35 feet long to conform to the adjacent channel slopes. Temporary dewatering of the creek may be necessary during construction. The maintenance road along the top of the channel bank will be restored to pre-existing condition. To lessen the impact of concentrated storm surface flow coming from the neighboring property and prevent further erosion, a drainage inlet and 18-inch diameter pipe will be installed. Real Estate transactions, utility relocations, temporary traffic control, and vegetation trimming and removal may be necessary in support of the project. Construction is anticipated to occur in 2026 or 2027. Work will take place during the dry season and will take approximately 3 weeks to complete. Appropriate best management practices for erosion control and water pollution control will be implemented to protect the creek. Applicable regulatory permits will be obtained before construction.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Contra Costa County

Exempt Status:

☐ Ministerial Project (Sec. 21080[b][1]; 15268) ☒ Categorical Exemption (Sec. 15301[d])

☐ 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.)

Reasons why project is exempt: The project consists of repairing damaged portions of an existing flood control facility to meet current standards of public health and safety involving no expansion of existing use pursuant to Article 19, Section 15301 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: Syd Sotoodeh Title: Senior Planner Date: Oct. 2, 2025
Contra Costa County Department of Conservation and Development

☒ Signed by Lead Agency ☐ Signed by Applicant

AFFIDAVIT OF FILING AND POSTING

I declare that on _____ I received and posted this notice as required by California Public Resources Code Section 21152(c). Said notice will remain posted for 30 days from the filing date.

Signature

Title

Applicant

Public Works Department
255 Glacier Drive
Martinez, CA 94553
Attn: Alex Nattkemper 
Environmental Services Division
Phone: (925) 313-2364

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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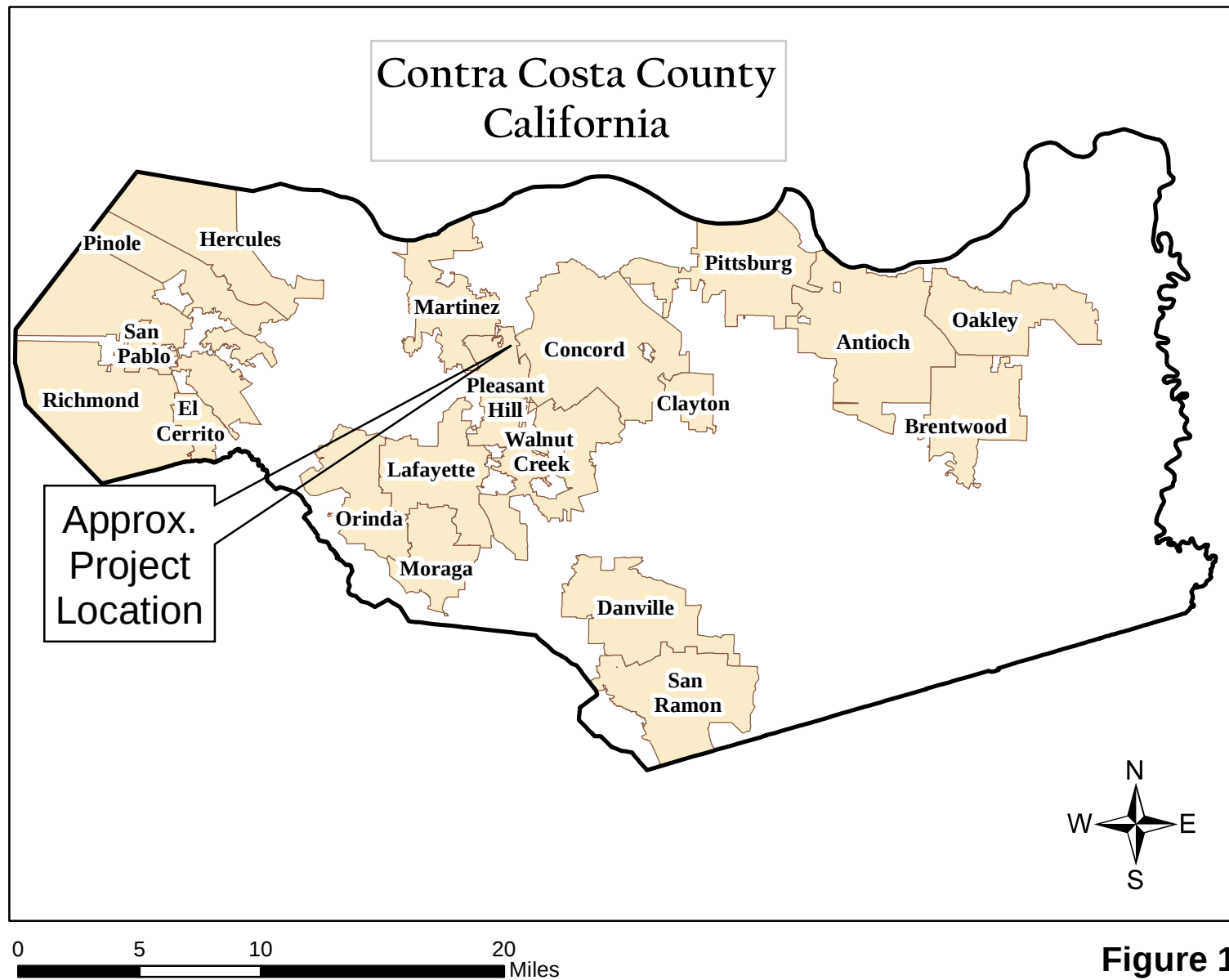
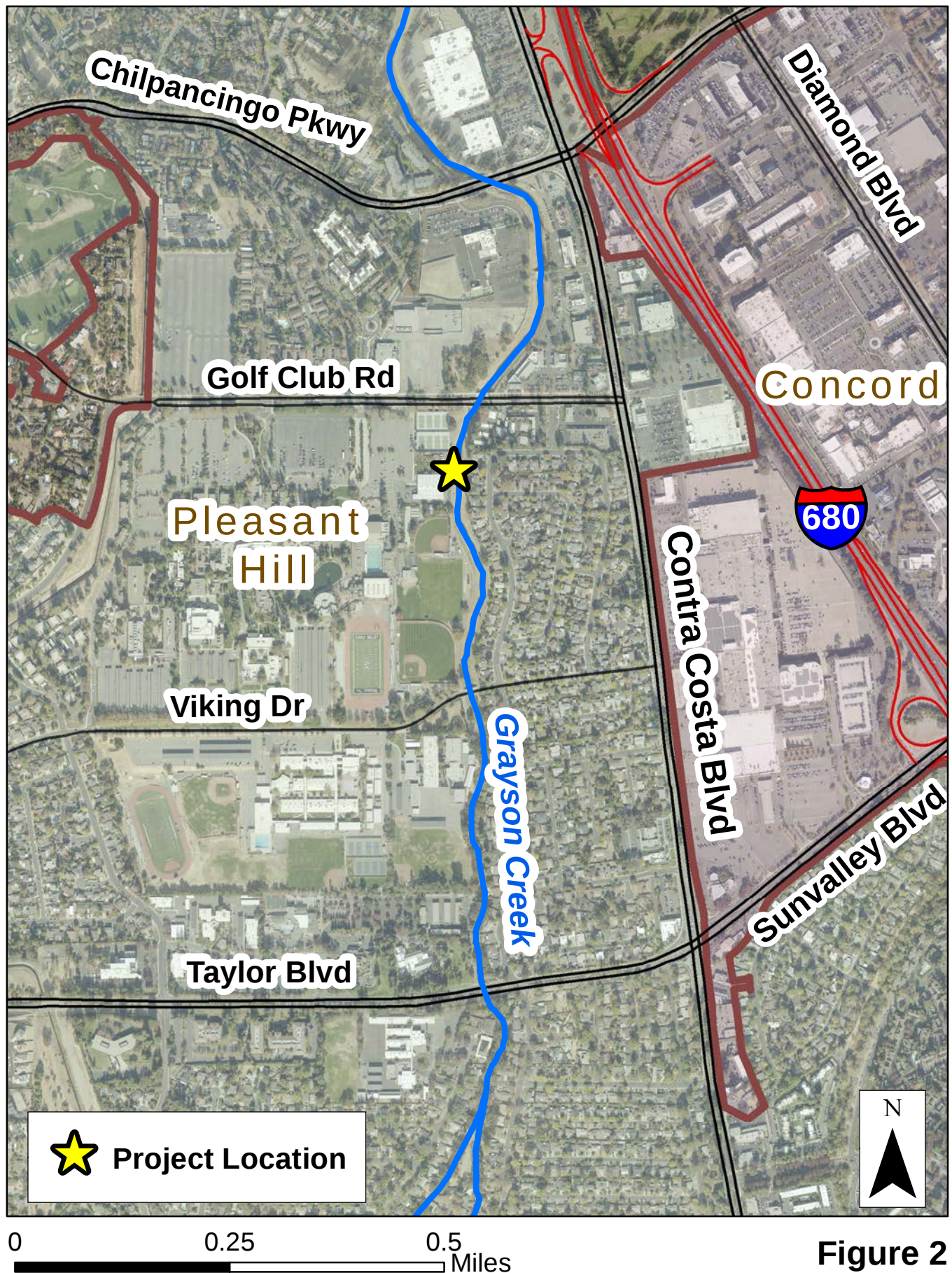


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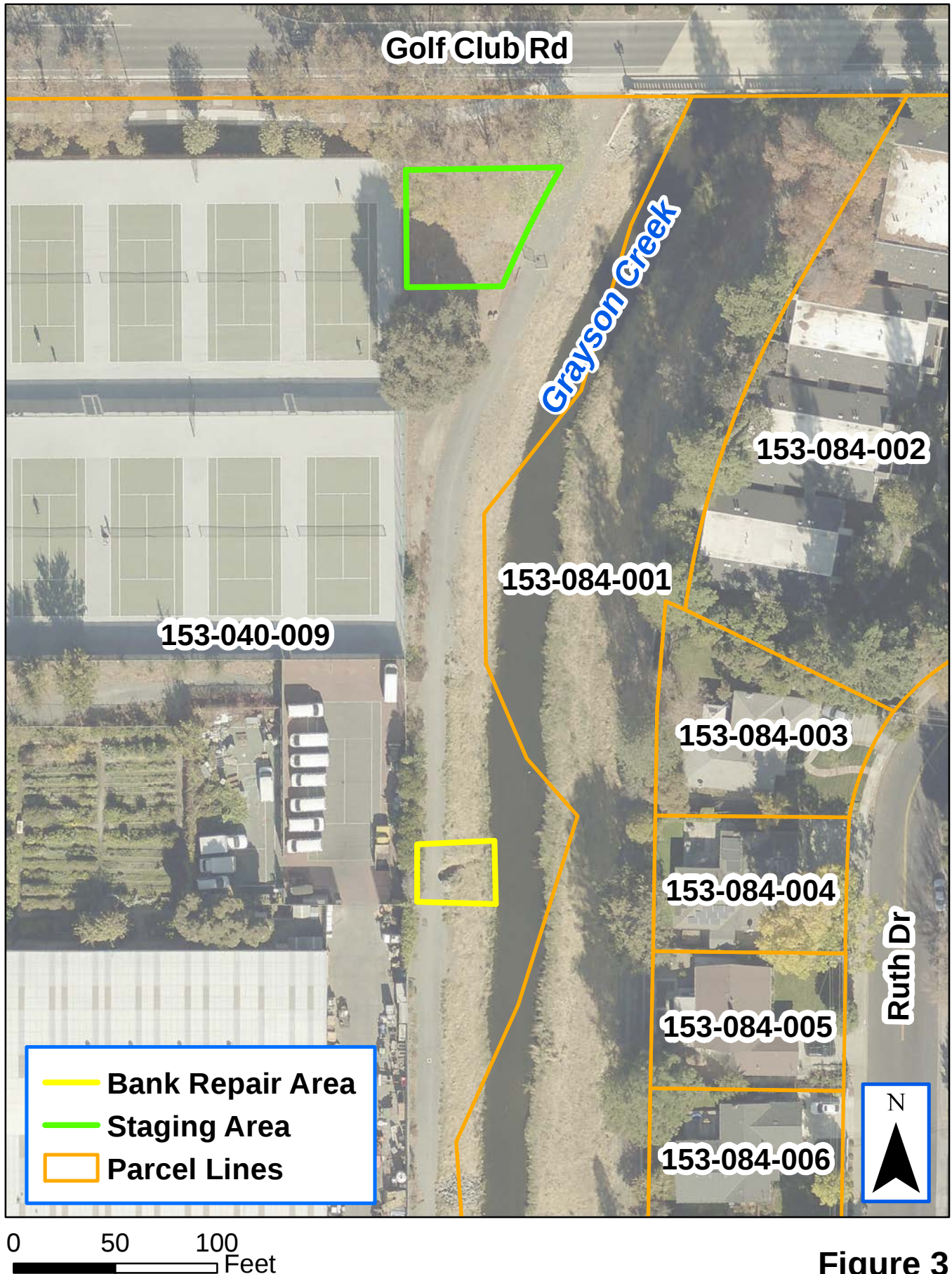


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