

Notice of Availability of an Initial Study and Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Fair Oaks Sewer Maintenance District Sanitary Sewer Trunk Line Replacement Project

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The County of San Mateo is the lead agency in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) for the proposed Fair Oaks Sewer Maintenance District Sanitary Sewer Trunk Line Replacement Project (Project). In accordance with CEQA guidelines, the County of San Mateo Department of Public Works has prepared this notice to inform agencies and interested parties that it is releasing an Initial Study and Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) for the Project.

The IS/MND will be available for public review at the Department of Public Works at 555 County Center, 5th Floor, Redwood City, CA 94063, as well as the following website:

<u>https://www.smcgov.org/publicworks/fosmd-sanitary-sewer-trunk-line-replacement-project-phase-1</u>

Project Location: The Project affects existing pipe segments, between Manhole 3614 and Manhole 3632, located near 1513 Veterans Boulevard to 1712 East Bayshore Road in the City of Redwood City. The existing pipe segments are along Union Pacific Railroad tracks under Highway 101; between Highway 101 and a PG&E Redwood Substation (10 Seaport Boulevard); and across Seaport Boulevard and East Bayshore Road.

Project Description: The Project would replace antiquated, 33-inch diameter reinforced concrete pipe segments with industry-standard, 36-inch-diameter polyvinyl chloride pipe segments associated with the North Fair Oaks Trunk Sewer. The Project would affect 1,404 linear feet of the existing pipe segments. Two sections of three cannot be replaced in-place. These two would be realigned mainly via trenchless construction (pipe jacking and microtunneling); the existing sections would be abandoned. The third section would be replaced in-place, via open trench construction; construction of this section would require use of a temporary sewage bypass system. The Project would also include the housekeeping of existing manholes to either abandon them if no longer required or bring them to code if they are substandard. Approximately 1,411 linear feet of new pipe segments would be installed over a six-month period, beginning in April 2025.

Comments: Comments may be filed with the County in response to the preparation of the IS/MND during the public review period, pursuant to Section 15073 of the CEQA Guidelines. Comments may be directed to Mark Chow, P.E, County of San Mateo, Department of Public Works, 555 County Center, Redwood City, California 94063 or <u>mchow@smcgov.org</u>.