Petitions and Communications received from September 29, 2009, through October 9, 2009, for reference by the President to Committee considering related matters or to be ordered filed by the Clerk on October 20, 2009.

From Department of Public Health, submitting the annual report for the Deemed Approved Uses Ordinance that establishes performance standards for businesses that sell alcohol in off-sale venues. Copy: Each Supervisor (1)

From ESA, regarding the Final Environmental Impact Report for the Harding Park Recycled Water Project. Copy: Supervisor Elsbernd (2)

From Public Utilities Commission, submitting report regarding PG&E’s compliance with the provisions of SF Administrative Code Section 11.44 and its franchise. (3)

From Office of the Budget Analyst, submitting the First Offender Prostitution Program management audit report. Copy: Public Safety Clerk (4)

From Friends of the Urban Forest, submitting support for the expansion of Redwood Park to 555 Washington Street. (5)

From Eula Walters, regarding Ferry Park in San Francisco. (6)

From Julian Davis, submitting her resignation from the Market-Octavia Citizen’s Advisory Committee. Copy: Each Supervisor, Rules Clerk (7)

From Office of the Mayor, submitting notice that Mayor Newsom will be out of state from 11:30 a.m. until 10:30 p.m. on October 3, 2009, Supervisor Elsbernd will serve as Acting-Mayor. October 9, 2009, from 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m., Supervisor Chu will serve as Acting Mayor. October 12, 2009, until October 15, 2009, Supervisor Alioto-Pier will serve as Acting Mayor. Copy: Each Supervisor (8)

From Ted Strawser, regarding the relationship between the Police Department and the skateboarders in San Francisco. (9)

From Redevelopment Agency, submitting report on certain sales subject to California Health and Safety Code Section 33433. Copy: Each Supervisor (10)

From Office of the Assessor-Recorder, submitting the joint annual report of increases in property taxes resulting from biotechnology businesses location, relocation, or expansion to or within the City and County of San Francisco. Copy: Each Supervisor (11)

From Office of the Controller, regarding the audit review for the Department of the Environment. Copy: Each Supervisor, GAO and Budget and Finance Clerks (12)

From Recreation and Parks Department, submitting the 2008 Clean and Safe Neighborhood Parks Bond Accountability Report. (14)

From concerned citizens, commenting on proposed ordinance regarding confidentiality of juveniles' immigration status. File No. 091032, 5 letters (15)

From C. Lue, submitting support for proposed project at 555 Washington Street. (16)

From Jarie Bolander, submitting opposition to installing the “SFgo freeway-style” signs on Oak/Broderick and Fell/Divisadero Streets. (17)

From concerned citizens, regarding the proposed closure of the Presidio Gate Entrance. 2 letters (18)

From Lee Doolan, commenting on a news article on sfgate.com. (19)

From State Department of Conservation, submitting notice of regional training workshops to promote effective local government administration of the California Land Conservation (Williamson) Act Program. Copy: Each Supervisor (20)

From State Fish and Game Commission, submitting notice of proposed emergency regulatory action relating to incidental take of Pacific fisher. (21)

From Brian Lee, submitting opposition to the possible closure of Mason Street between Lombard Street and Columbus Avenue. (22)

From T-Mobile, submitting a notification letter regarding placement of 3 cellular site antennas near 590 Cambridge Street. (23)

From SF Labor Council, submitting resolution in support of the Cuban Five, their Rights to Fair Trial and Visitation Rights for their Families. Copy: Each Supervisor (24)

From concerned citizens, regarding Sharp Park Golf Course. 2 letters (25)

From SF Water Department, submitting the GoSolar 2008-2009 Status Report that provides an update on the first year of the successful solar energy incentive program. (26)

From Denise D'Anne, urging the City and County of San Francisco to take the lead on using less oil. (27)
From Oakland Police Department, thanking the Board of Supervisors for resolution honoring the public service of Oakland Police Department Officers on the occasion of their sacrifice in the line of duty. File No. 090359, Copy: Each Supervisor (28)

From Glenn Pedroni, commenting on various issues. (29)

From US Army Corps of Engineers, submitting public notice of maintenance dredging at the Port of San Francisco Piers 17/19. (30)

From Department of Public Works, regarding status of removing graffiti from various locations in District 5. (Reference No. 200915-003) (31)

From Department of Public Works, regarding status of removing graffiti from utility poles at various locations in District 5. (Reference No. 200915-004) (32)

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From Department of Public Works, regarding status of removing graffiti from various locations in District 5. (Reference No. 200915-006) (34)

From Jeff Miller, regarding the draft Environmental Impact Report for the proposed project to rebuild the seismically challenged Calaveras Dam in the upper Alameda Creek watershed. (35)

From James Corrigan, regarding firefighters from various fire stations shopping at the COSTCO warehouse store at 10th and Bryant Streets. (36)
In March 2006, the Board of Supervisors passed an Ordinance, which was signed by Mayor Newsom to create a "Deemed Approved Uses" program that addresses the role and responsibilities of businesses that sell alcohol in off-sale venues in respect to community health and safety. This constitutes the third annual report to the Board of Supervisors and includes a summary of activities undertaken over the last year by each performing Department.

Background
The Deemed Approved Uses Ordinance (DAO) establishes Performance Standards for businesses that sell alcohol in off-sale venues. The California Alcohol Beverage Control Board (ABC) regulates the sale of alcohol and provides licenses to vendors to sell alcohol under specific conditions. The San Francisco Deemed Approved Uses Ordinance is based on the county's oversight of land use and planning to educate, monitor and ultimately penalize businesses that sell alcohol in off-sale venues if they are found to be in nonconformance to the DAO Performance Standards.

The functions and primary responsible departments of the DAO are as follows:

- Vendor and public education, including development and dissemination of educational materials, on-site visits, neighborhood meetings, and vendor meetings.
- An advisory committee is organized and staffed to provide feedback and input from community representatives.
- Documentation of activities.
  (San Francisco Department of Public Health)

- Development and maintenance of a database of businesses that are subject to the Performance Standards and the annual fee.
- Fees and late payment penalties be levied and collected.
  (Tax Collector)

- Observation and inspection of premises to determine compliance with DAO Performance Standards.
- Maintaining a database of results of inspections.
  (San Francisco Police Department)

- Pursuing legal measures and providing for an appeals' process for Deemed Approved Uses found to be in non-conformance with the Performance Standards.
  (City Attorney)
transmittal

date          October 1, 2009

to           Angela Calvillo, Clerk, Board of Supervisors

project      Harding Park Recycled Water Project - EIR

items        1 Hardcopy of the Response to Comments / FEIR

comments     Please find enclosed a copy of the Harding Park Recycled Water Project Response to Comments / FEIR for your records.

Erin Higbee

sent by       EEH

cc
September 29, 2009

Angela Calvillo  
Clerk of the Board  
San Francisco Board of Supervisors  
City Hall, Room 244  
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place  
San Francisco, CA 94102

Dear Ms. Calvillo,

In accordance with San Francisco Administrative Code Section 11.44, the San Francisco Public Utilities Commission (SFPUC) is filing a report with the Board analyzing whether Pacific Gas & Electric Company (PG&E) is complying with all provisions of this Chapter and its Franchise, except those addressed by the Controller's Report. At this time, SFPUC cannot identify any Person who may be subject to this Chapter that has not complied with the obligation to obtain a Franchise or pay Franchise Fees.

To the SFPUC's knowledge, there has been no change in ownership of PG&E's Franchise. The Department has not received any complaints about the Franchise from its users, and the Franchise is in compliance with all the required City provisions.

Sincerely,

Camron Samii  
San Francisco Public Utilities Commission  
Manager, Strategic & Resource Planning, Power Enterprise

cc: Honorable Members, San Francisco Board of Supervisors  
Barbara Hale, Assistant General Manager, Power  
Tonia Lediju, Director of Audits
Management Audit

of the

San Francisco First Offender Prostitution Program

Prepared for the
Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco

by the
San Francisco Budget Analyst

September 15, 2009
September 15, 2009

San Francisco Board of Supervisors
City Hall
1 Carlton Goodlett Place
San Francisco, CA 94102

San Francisco Recreation and Park Commission
McLaren Lodge, Golden Gate Park
San Francisco, CA 94117

San Francisco Planning Commission
1650 Mission Street, 4th Floor
San Francisco, CA 94103

Re: Expansion of Redwood Park — 555 Washington Street

Dear Supervisors and Commissioners:

Friends of the Urban Forest is a non-profit organization committed to promoting a larger, healthier urban forest as part of the urban ecosystem, through community planting, maintenance, education and advocacy.

We support the proposal for 555 Washington because it protects the existing redwood trees, creates a new public park open 7 days a week and expands open space.

Redwood Park contains some 50 Coast Redwood trees. As these trees continue to mature, it becomes important to protect their surface roots. The proposed design creates a series of seat walls that form a protection zone around the root area. We believe this is an important step to protect these stately trees.

In addition, the proposal will add important new open space to the downtown area, including the addition of new trees. These new trees will add to the urban forest in San Francisco's most underserved neighborhood for park space.

Most importantly, we support the gift of this private property as a new permanently protected public park. We understand the minimal shadow impact caused by the proposed building and firmly believe that it is more than offset by
gaining a newly expanded and renovated public park that will be maintained in perpetuity by the adjacent property owners. By converting Redwood Park from a private landscape to a public park, we will ensure these trees will remain for future generations. To accomplish this goal at no cost (now or in the future) to the City is a unique opportunity we believe the City should seize.

We urge City officials to act to preserve the redwoods and expand Redwood Park by accepting the transfer of the park to the Recreation and Park Department.

Sincerely,

[Signature]
Parks exist to play in and to pray in: John Muir.

Ferry Park, today, is that kind of park. But, Planning and Park Rec Commissions have voted to waste Two million seven hundred thousand needlessly that will only satisfy the greed of the builders. If you want to help the people who live and work in this neighborhood, then just go away. We have good ideas about the enjoyment and safety of the area. We like our birds in our trees. The green grass, flowers and leafy trees improve, purify the air that we breathe. We love to picnic and spread our blankets on the hilly knolls. We know where the sunny spots are. And, please leave us a few bucks so we can make some necessary repairs. My name is Eula Walters and I represent 2300 citizens at the Gateway community.

, S. F., Ca. 94111.

Eula Walters, CPA, J.D.
440 DAVIS COURT, #311  SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94111
EULA.WALTERS
9-30-2009

cc: Mayor, Bd. of Supervisors, Planning, Port
September 28, 2009

Angela Calvillo
Clerk, San Francisco Board of Supervisors
City Hall
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, Room 244
San Francisco, CA 94102

RE: Market-Octavia Citizens' Advisory Committee

Dear Ms. Calvillo,

I am writing to tender my resignation from the Market-Octavia Citizens' Advisory Committee (MO-CAC), effective Monday, September 28th.

The position on the committee to which I was appointed is the resident tenant representative. I have recently moved to a new address which is one block outside the Market-Octavia plan area. This disqualifies me, under the current rules, from continuing to hold my seat on the advisory committee.

It was an honor to be appointed to the MO-CAC and a pleasure to serve on it this year. From what I have experienced thus far, the committee is a beneficial and substantive way to include community members in the planning process around community improvements in the plan area. I am still committed to the goals for which the committee was established and look forward to contributing to the successful implementation of the Market-Octavia Plan in years to come.

If there are any questions about my resignation, I would be happy to answer them and can be reached via the contact information provided above.

Sincerely,

Julian Davis

cc: Rules Committee Chair, Supervisor David Campos
    MO-CAC Planning Staff Liaison, Kearstin Dischinger
    MO-CAC Chair, Peter Cohen
October 2, 2009

Ms. Angela Calvillo  
San Francisco Board of Supervisors  
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place  
San Francisco, CA 94109

Dear Ms. Calvillo,

Pursuant to Charter Section 3.100, I hereby designate Supervisor Sean Elsbernd as Acting-Mayor from the time I leave the state of California at 11:30AM on Saturday, October 3, 2009, until 10:30PM Saturday, October 3, 2009.

In the event I am delayed, I designate Supervisor Elsbernd to continue to be the Acting-Mayor until my return to California.

Sincerely,

Gavin Newsom  
Mayor, City and County of San Francisco

cc: Mr. Dennis Herrera, City Attorney
October 2, 2009

Ms. Angela Calvillo
San Francisco Board of Supervisors
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place
San Francisco, CA 94109

Dear Ms. Calvillo,

Pursuant to Charter Section 3.100, I hereby designate Supervisor Bevan Dufty as Acting-Mayor from the time I leave the state of California at 11:30AM on Saturday, October 3, 2009, until 10:30PM Saturday, October 3, 2009.

In the event I am delayed, I designate Supervisor Dufty to continue to be the Acting-Mayor until my return to California.

Sincerely,

Gavin Newsom
Mayor, City and County of San Francisco

cc: Mr. Dennis Herrera, City Attorney
October 8, 2009

Ms. Angela Calvillo
San Francisco Board of Supervisors
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place
San Francisco, CA 94109

Dear Ms. Calvillo,

Pursuant to Charter Section 3.100, I hereby designate Supervisor Carmen Chu as Acting-Mayor from the time I leave the state of California at 7:00AM on Friday, October 9, 2009, until 10:00PM Friday, October 9, 2009.

In the event I am delayed, I designate Supervisor Chu to continue to be the Acting-Mayor until my return to California.

Sincerely,

Gavin Newsom
Mayor, City and County of San Francisco

cc: Mr. Dennis Herrera, City Attorney
October 8, 2009

Ms. Angela Calvillo
San Francisco Board of Supervisors
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place
San Francisco, CA 94109

Dear Ms. Calvillo,

Pursuant to Charter Section 3.100, I hereby designate Supervisor Michela Alioto-Pier as Acting-Mayor from the time I leave the state of California at 2:48PM on Monday, October 12, 2009, until 12:00AM Thursday, October 15, 2009.

In the event I am delayed, I designate Supervisor Alioto-Pier to continue to be the Acting-Mayor until my return to California.

Sincerely,

Gavin Newsom
Mayor, City and County of San Francisco

cc: Mr. Dennis Herrera, City Attorney
October 8, 2009

Ms. Angela Calvillo
San Francisco Board of Supervisors
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place
San Francisco, CA 94109

Dear Ms. Calvillo,

Pursuant to Charter Section 3.100, I hereby designate Supervisor Carmen Chu as Acting-Mayor from the time I leave the state of California at 12:01 AM on Thursday, October 15, 2009, until 11:00 PM Thursday, October 19, 2009.

In the event I am delayed, I designate Supervisor Chu to continue to be the Acting-Mayor until my return to California.

Sincerely,

Gavin Newsom
Mayor, City and County of San Francisco

cc: Mr. Dennis Herrera, City Attorney
Hi all,

This is unacceptable. The SFPD has a terrible history of harassing skateboarders. SF City Hall has a terrible history of not accommodating these kids.

This is the worst case scenario, this officer: a) threatened this kid on tape, b) admitted to kicking him "I put my foot on his hip", and c) admitted that his is going to "cover" his actions.

Someone, please address this situation.

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gAsUOzPN9w&feature=player_embedded#

Thanks,
Ted Strawser
San Francisco
Ms. Angela Calvillo  
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors  
City and County of San Francisco  
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place Room 244  
San Francisco, CA 94102-4689  

Re: Report to the Board of Supervisors on certain sales subject to California Health and Safety Code, Section 33433.

Dear Ms. Calvillo,

On May 6, 2004, the Board of Supervisors (the “Board”) approved the San Francisco Redevelopment Agency’s (the “Agency”) request for a waiver related to certain hearing requirements of Section 33433 of the California Health and Safety Code (Board Resolution 265-04). Section 33433 normally requires the Agency to hold a hearing before the legislative body prior to the sale of properties acquired with tax increment financing. As allowed under Section 33433(c) (1), the Board waived these hearing requirements for single-family homes, provided that the Agency files a report with the legislative body summarizing the relevant transactions for the prior fiscal year. During July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2009 the following sales occurred.

Unit Address- 1 Federal Street Unit #20, San Francisco, CA 94109  
Buyers- Carol Hung  
Affordable Sales Price-$161,339  
Date Sold by Agency- January 30, 2009  
Public Hearing Date- December 22, 2008

Unit Address- 1235 McAllister Unit #315  
Buyers- Wen Ge Li  
Affordable Sales Price-$193,654  
Date Sold by Agency- March 18, 2009  
Public Hearing Date- December 22, 2008

Unit Address- 1235 McAllister Unit #312  
Buyers- Rui Yi Mo and Xiao Xia Wang  
Affordable Sales Price-$246,425  
Date Sold by Agency- April 13, 2009  
Public Hearing Date- December 22, 2008
Unit Address- 1235 McAllister Unit #311
Buyer- Timothy Kearney
Affordable Sale Price- $199,193
Date Sold by Agency- April 16, 2009
Public Hearing Date- December 22, 2008

Unit Address- 1235 McAllister Unit #214
Buyer- Carol Jean Wisnieski
Affordable Sales Price- $249,759
Date Sold by Agency- April 29, 2009
Public Hearing Date- December 22, 2008

Unit Address – 1235 McAllister Unit #323
Buyer – Davina Fontanella
Affordable Sales Price – $149,192
Date Sold by Agency – June 26, 2009
Public Hearing Date – December 22, 2008

Sincerely,

Fred Blackwell
Executive Director
Subject: 2008 Assessor-Recorder and Tax Collector Joint Report on Biotechnology Exclusion

Dear Ms. Calvillo,

The Assessor-Recorder and the Tax Collector, pursuant to Section 906.1(g) of the San Francisco Business and Tax Regulations Code, herewith submit the joint annual report of increases in property taxes resulting from biotechnology businesses location, relocation or expansion to or within the City and County of San Francisco.

This report summarizes the number of biotechnology businesses receiving the payroll expense tax exclusion, the amounts of payroll expense tax excluded, and the property taxes paid by these businesses for 2008 and prior tax years.

The Office of the Assessor-Recorder has no record of secured property ownership for any of the businesses which have received the biotechnology exclusion since 2004. Under Proposition 13 tenancy changes are not reassessable events. There is currently no secured property tax increase that resulted from the reassessment of a building that included tenants claiming the biotechnology payroll expense tax exclusion.

Schedule A of this report summarizes the business personal property that was subject to taxation under Section 201 of California’s Revenue and Taxation Code for the businesses that received the biotechnology payroll expense tax exclusion in 2008. The businesses that received the biotechnology payroll expense tax exclusion in 2008 paid a total of $111,302 in business personal property taxes.

Schedule B of this report summarizes the business personal property that was subject to taxation for tax years 2004 through 2007 for all businesses receiving the biotechnology payroll expense tax exclusion. The businesses that received the biotechnology payroll expense tax exclusion for tax years 2004 through 2007 paid a total of $153,900 in business personal property taxes.

If you have any questions regarding this report, please contact Alex Tharayil with the Office of the Assessor-Recorder at (415) 554-5583 or George Putris of the Office of the Treasurer & Tax Collector at (415) 554-7335.

Very truly yours,

Alex Tharayil
Deputy Assessor-Recorder

George W Putris
Tax Administrator

cc: Phil Ting  
Jose Cineros  
San Francisco Public Library

Attachments
Assessor-Recorder and Tax Collector
Joint Report on Biotechnology Exclusion
For Calendar Year 2008

Schedule A

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September 23, 2009
Schedule B

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*Exclusion effective September 12, 2004
AUDIT FOLLOW-UP MEMORANDUM

DATE: October 6, 2009

TO: David Assmann, Deputy Director, Department of the Environment

FROM: Tonia Lediju, Director of Audits, City Services Auditor

SUBJECT: Results of Follow-up Review for Audit of the Department of the Environment

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Controller’s City Services Auditor (CSA) Division issued an audit report in January 2007, entitled, Improve Business Practices to Advance Environmental Programs, on which it followed up in 2009. CSA agrees with the Department of the Environment (department), which indicates that it fully implemented 20 of the 21 recommendations in the audit report and that one no longer applies. The department’s actions to implement the recommendations are summarized on pages 2 and 3, and the recommendations themselves and the implementation status of each are presented in the attached table.

BACKGROUND & METHODOLOGY

The City’s 1996 Charter created the current Commission on the Environment (commission), a seven-member body appointed by the mayor that sets policy for the department and advises the mayor and Board of Supervisors on environmental matters. The San Francisco Environment Code was adopted in July 2003 to consolidate various ordinances governing protection of the environment, natural resources, and sustainability that had been established by the City and County of San Francisco (City) in its Administrative Code. The commission develops and the department implements policies and programs in recycling, toxics reduction, environmental justice, energy efficiency, commute alternatives, climate change, and matters related to the City’s urban forest.

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, Section 8.05, promulgated by the United States Government Accountability Office (GAO), CSA conducted a follow-up review of the agreed-upon recommendations for the audit report of January 22, 2007, entitled, Improve Business Practices to Advance Environmental Programs. Section 8.05 states that the purposes of audit reports include facilitating follow-up to determine whether appropriate corrective actions have been taken. This follow-up determined whether the department has taken the corrective actions needed to implement the audit report’s recommendations, with the goal of improving the department’s business practices. In the case of recommendations calling for new procedures, CSA both verified that the procedures were created and considered examples of the department’s compliance with them. In addition, future audits of the department will likely incorporate review of its compliance with the new procedures.
To conduct the follow-up, CSA met with key department personnel to discuss the status of the corrective actions taken to date, verified the existence of the procedures and processes that have been established, and documented the results of the fieldwork.

RESULTS

In response to this follow-up, the department in May 2009 reported that it had fully implemented 20 of the report’s 21 recommendations, giving specific information for each recommendation (see attached table). CSA considered the information the department provided, reviewed documentation, and verified that 20 recommendations have, in fact, been implemented. In addition, CSA agrees with the department that the one recommendation that has not been implemented is no longer applicable.

The results are presented below by subject area.

**Recommendation 1: Comply with or Change Mandates in Environment Code**

Consistent with the recommendation, the department drafted an ordinance of proposed changes to the Environment Code, and the Office of the City Attorney is now reviewing the draft legislation. According to the department’s acting deputy director, he expects the draft ordinance to be submitted to the Board of Supervisors by the end of September 2009. As recommended, the proposed legislation would remove the mandate in Section 406 of the Environment Code that the department develop a list of vendors of motor vehicles and motorized equipment that comply with Code requirements.

**Conclusion:** Recommendation 1 has been implemented.

**Recommendations 2-6: Improve Management of Impound Account**

Consistent with the recommendations, the department:

- Implemented a new timekeeping system, Ontrac, which enables it to fully track costs funded by the impound account and relate them to specific employees and functions.
- Analyzes costs attributed to the impound account quarterly, and compares them to administrative and program-related costs per the time-keeping system.
- Performs an annual reconciliation to adjust the impound account, if deemed necessary.
- Contracted with a public accounting firm to conduct agreed-upon procedures for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2008. The resulting report, issued in May 2009, was generally favorable.

Also consistent with the recommendations, the commission:

- At its meeting of May 22, 2007, reviewed and approved the department’s new impound account guidelines, *Use of Impound Account Funds*. The guidelines were developed as a result of the audit.
• Held public hearings on the department's budget. Also, the commission's Operations Committee held a public hearing on both the 2007-08 grant process and the pending 2009-10 grant offering planned for November 2009.

• At its meeting of January 27, 2009, reviewed and approved the department's proposed budget plan for use of the impound account. However, because the department implemented a two-year grant cycle, there is no need for it to publish the recommended annual plan for the use of all impound account funds before the budget process.

Conclusion: Recommendations 2 through 6 have been implemented.

Recommendations 7-18: Create Grant Procedures Manual and Hire Grant Coordinator

The department instituted a new Grants Procedures Manual on May 30, 2007. The manual fulfills all but one of the grant-related recommendations in the audit report. CSA agrees with the department that the remaining grant-related recommendation, to hire a grant coordinator, was made unnecessary by the department's implementation of a two-year grant cycle.

Conclusion: Recommendations 7 through 17 have been implemented. Recommendation 18 is no longer applicable.

Recommendation 19: Port to Approve Living Classroom Project Subcontract

As recommended, the Port of San Francisco reviewed and approved the proposed contract between Literacy for Environmental Justice and the general contractor selected to construct the Living Classroom project. Now known as The Eco Center at Heron's Head Park, the project was reported by the department to be 80 percent complete as of August 31, 2009. The department expects construction to be completed by mid-November 2009.

Conclusion: Recommendation 19 has been implemented

Recommendations 20 and 21: Improve Professional Services Contracts Procedures

As recommended, the department developed and incorporated procedures for professional services contracts in its contract procedures manual. These procedures include a requirement that both the City Attorney's Office and the department's senior administrative analyst review all contracts before they are signed.

Conclusion: Recommendations 20 and 21 have been implemented
CSA extends its appreciation to you and the department staff who assisted with this follow-up. If you have any questions or concerns, please call or e-mail Audit Manager Mark Tipton at (415) 554-7660 or Mark.Tipton@sfgov.org.

cc: Ben Rosenfield, Controller  
    Robert Tarsia, Deputy Audit Director  
    Mark Tipton, Audit Manager  
    Edvila Moore, Associate Auditor
# ATTACHMENT A: FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

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<td>The Department should either comply with the Environment Code mandates to develop vendor lists and submit the required annual report, or draft and submit to the Board an ordinance to change the Environment Code requirements.</td>
<td>Revised ordinance has been drafted and should be presented by the Mayor to the Board of Supervisors by the end of May 2008.</td>
<td>Obtained the proposed revised ordinance. Confirmed that City Attorney was reviewing the draft ordinance. The expected completion date is now the end of September 2009.</td>
<td>Implemented</td>
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<td>2</td>
<td>Develop and implement procedures to track costs properly fundable by the impound account, including regular, full-time timekeeping for administrative staff and exception basis timekeeping for program staff, at a minimum.</td>
<td>Controller’s timekeeping system was implemented in July 2007. In August 2008, the Ontrac timekeeping system was implemented. This more versatile system incorporates numerous enhancements, including email reminders to staff and a better reporting capability.</td>
<td>Observed on the department’s computer system, that it now uses the Ontrac timekeeping software.</td>
<td>Implemented</td>
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<td>Adjust impound account funding for personnel and administrative costs to actual, impound account-related costs on a quarterly or other periodic basis, based on the results of the recommended timekeeping.</td>
<td>This was implemented in the 2007-2008 fiscal year and continues on an annual basis.</td>
<td>Observed documentation of the reconciliation of the impound account that had been prepared for FY 2007-2008.</td>
<td>Implemented</td>
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<td>Implement impound account guidelines that provide more complete and specific guidance regarding what activities can properly be funded from the impound account.</td>
<td>New guidelines were drafted and were approved by the Environment Commission on May 22, 2007.</td>
<td>Obtained the department’s revised impound account guidelines. Confirmed that the commission discussed and approved the guidelines at its meeting of May 22, 2007.</td>
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<td>Continue to implement our interim report recommendation to prepare and publish an annual plan for the use of all impound account funds in advance of the budget process, including sufficient details regarding all proposed costs and anticipated grants. This plan should be subject to public hearings before approval by the Commission on the Environment.</td>
<td>Public hearings for the 2007-08 budget were held in January 2007, and one hearing was held in April for the 2007-08 grant process. The budget is now presented annually to the Operations Committee and the full Environment Commission. The department is planning another grant offering in November 2009.</td>
<td>As evidence of the two-year grant cycle, obtained the grant solicitation for the department's grant program for 2007-09. Obtained minutes of the commission's January 23, 2007, meeting, at which both the 2007-08 budget and the impound five-year plan overview were approved. Obtained minutes of the January 27, 2009, commission meeting at which was approved a plan for use of the impound account that had been the subject of earlier public hearings.</td>
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<td>Procure accounting services to conduct periodic audits of the Department's impound account usage. Request assistance from the Controller's Office to determine a cost-effective audit scope and frequency.</td>
<td>Contract with Macias, Gini, &amp; O'Connell, LLP was signed in December 2008, and the audit of impound funds is currently being performed. This will be performed on an annual basis.</td>
<td>Obtained department's contract with the CPA firm showing department contracted for an agreed-upon procedures engagement for fiscal year 2007-08. Obtained and reviewed the resulting report of May 5, 2009.</td>
<td>Implemented</td>
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<td>Devise and implement cost-effective ways to measure and independently verify the waste diversion impact of specific activities, such as the Recycling grant program, including reporting on the cost per ton diverted.</td>
<td>Guidelines have been drafted and reviewed and implemented for the 2007-08 grant cycle.</td>
<td>Verified that these guidelines are addressed in department's Out-going Grant Procedures (grant manual). Section four of the manual contains an Impound Grant Matrix. That section of the manual also has an addendum entitled, “Measurement of Waste Diversion.”</td>
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| 8                 | Develop a set of grant application scoring criteria that are related to overall departmental goals and additional criteria that reflect program goals for each program. Assign weights to the departmental criteria that are appropriate in relation to the rest of the scoring system and that are applicable across every program area. The departmental scoring criteria should include factors such as:  
• Grantee qualifications  
• Completeness of the applications  
• Level of detail in the proposed grant work plans and budgets. | These criteria have been developed, reviewed and implemented for the 2007-2008 grant cycle. They will be used on an on-going basis. | Confirmed that chapters 6 and 7 of department’s grant manual contain sample grant application score sheets for Environmental Justice and Zero Waste grant programs. The scoring sheets include such factors as grantee qualifications, completeness, and level of detail. | Implemented |
| 9                 | Convene a single evaluation panel for all programs’ grant applications which includes grant managers, staff who are independent from the Department’s grant management processes, and staff from other City Departments or outside organizations who have specialized expertise related to the purposes of the grants. | The single panel was in place in time to evaluate grant proposals for the 2007-2008 grant cycle. A single panel will be used for grant cycles in the future. | Confirmed that use of a single panel is a procedure called for in Chapter 1 of the department’s grant manual.  
Obtained minutes of the commission’s May 29, 2008, meeting during which a department manager described the selection process for grant recipients. That description refers to the use of such a panel. | Implemented |
<p>| 10                | Write and adopt a grant procedures manual or set of detailed policies and procedures covering grant applicant solicitation, scoring and evaluation of proposals, award, grantee reporting and monitoring, the preparation of grant agreements, and related areas. | The grant manual has been drafted, shared with the Controller’s Office, was completed at the end of June 2007. It is currently in use, and has periodic revisions. | Confirmed by reviewing the department’s grant manual. | Implemented |</p>
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<td>Streamline both the process of issuing RFPs and the scoring of grant applications by issuing RFPs to the same lists and scoring applications for different programs at the same time.</td>
<td>This has been implemented for the 2007-2008 grant cycle and will be on-going.</td>
<td>Confirmed that Chapter 1 of the grant manual requires the use of a single panel. During its next audit of the department, CSA will confirm whether the details of this recommendation were implemented.</td>
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<td>Implement internal controls, such as a review process for all grants, to ensure that grant procedures are not overridden.</td>
<td>These procedures have been incorporated into the guidelines in the grant procedures manual.</td>
<td>Confirmed that Chapter 5, Grantees’ Operating Procedures, of the grant manual establishes internal control guidelines to ensure that grant procedures are not overridden.</td>
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<td>Develop a process for awarding fewer but larger grants that span multiple years in lieu of spending through the grant budget if the applicant pool is not sufficiently robust or able to fulfill the goals of the program for a given year.</td>
<td>Procedures for this have been incorporated into the grant procedures manual.</td>
<td>Confirmed that the department has implemented a two-year grant cycle (see information at recommendation 11 above). However, did not assess whether the process has resulted in fewer, larger grants, whether the entire grant budget was spent, or if the applicant pool was sufficiently robust. These will be addressed in CSA’s next audit of the department.</td>
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<td>Write clear grants with work plans and budgets that are consistent with each another, and that clearly detail the work to be completed by the grantee.</td>
<td>These procedures have been incorporated into the guidelines in the grant procedures manual.</td>
<td>Confirmed that procedures to implement this recommendation have been incorporated into the grant manual. However, did not assess the clarity, consistency or detail of recent grants’ work plans or budgets.</td>
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<td>Require all grantees to submit regular, periodic reports according to grant agreement terms. Review the reports to ensure they adequately address all items in grant work plans, and document the review and approval of all reports.</td>
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<td>Confirmed that these procedures have been incorporated into the grant manual.</td>
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<td>Link grantee performance monitoring to payments by establishing thresholds for performance reporting that must be met before grant invoices are approved for payment, and consider withholding a portion of grants until the final reports are submitted and approved.</td>
<td>These procedures have been incorporated into the guidelines in the grant procedures manual. The grant agreement has been modified to provide that invoices cannot be paid unless performance thresholds are met.</td>
<td>Confirmed that these procedures have been incorporated into the grant manual.</td>
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<td>Develop standardized site visit documentation and establish minimum thresholds for required site visit (and grantee event) observations and results that must be met before grant invoices are approved for payment. Conduct final reviews to evaluate grantee performance and the relative effectiveness of funded grant activities in achieving program goals.</td>
<td>These procedures have been incorporated into the guidelines in the grant procedures manual.</td>
<td>Confirmed that these procedures have been incorporated into the grant manual.</td>
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<td>Hire a grant coordinator who would be responsible for establishing and overseeing a monitoring process for the Department's grant programs.</td>
<td>The Department has determined that the two year grant cycle makes this position unnecessary.</td>
<td>Department has implemented a two-year grant cycle, negating the need for a grant coordinator. CSA concurs with the department that a grant coordinator is no longer necessary.</td>
<td>Not Applicable</td>
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| 19                | Request the Port or DPW to review the proposed contract between Literacy for Environmental Justice and the selected general contractor, including the cost and schedule components of the contract. | The Port has reviewed and approved the proposed contract between Literacy for Environmental Justice and the selected general contractor, including the cost and schedule components of the contract. | Obtained evidence that the Port reviewed and approved this contract. Obtained status report on the project showing that, as of August 31, 2009, it was:  
- Named the Eco Center at Heron’s Head Park.  
- 80% complete.  
- Expected to be completely built by mid-November 2009. | Implemented |
### Memo to the Department of the Environment

October 6, 2009

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| 20                | Continue to develop a comprehensive set of policies and procedures for procurement and administration of professional services contracts. The policies and procedures should describe the specific tasks and forms required and include sample documents and should describe the requirements for:  
  - Issuing RFPs that adequately define the scope of work and billable costs.  
  - Selecting finalists and negotiating contract terms, including specific salary and payroll burden rates and specific types of nonpersonnel costs.  
  - Finalizing contract documents.  
  - Monitoring contractor performance, including requirements for contractors to routinely submit periodic reports with sufficient details to assist staff in monitoring contractor activities.  
  - Approving invoices and processing payments.  
| These procedures have been developed and incorporated in the contract procedures manual | Confirmed that the department's guidelines for professional services contracts include procedures intended to achieve these goals. | Implemented |
| 21                | Write professional services contracts that clearly define the scope of work and billable costs, including specific salary and payroll burden rates and specific types of nonpersonnel costs and related prices. | All contracts are reviewed before signature both by the deputy city attorney and by the department's senior administrative analyst. | Confirmed that the department's guidelines for professional services contracts include procedures intended to achieve these goals. However, did not determine the clarity of recent contracts. |
Memo

To: Mark Tipton, Audit Manager, City Services Audit Division, Office of the Controller
From: David Assmann, Deputy Director
CC: Jared Blumenfeld, Director
Date: October 1, 2009
Re: Audit Follow-up Report

The Department of the Environment is in complete agreement with the Audit Follow-Up Memorandum.
October 7, 2009  
Reference: CFO 200-023

Angela Calvillo, Clerk of the Board  
Board of Supervisors  
City Hall, Room 244  
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place  
San Francisco, CA 94102

RE: Inmate Welfare Fund Annual Report

Dear Ms. Calvillo:

Pursuant to Penal Code Section 4025, enclosed please find the annual report of inmate welfare fund expenditures for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2009.

If you have any questions, please contact me at 554-4316.

Sincerely,

Maureen Gannon  
Chief Financial Officer

Encl.
## City and County of San Francisco Sheriff's Department
### Inmate Welfare Fund
#### July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2009

### REVENUES

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<td>Compass Group - Canteen Commissions</td>
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**TOTAL REVENUES:** $ 1,367,711

### EXPENDITURES

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<td>Professional Services (Law universities work study)</td>
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<td>Transportation (Greyhound &amp; Muni fare)</td>
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<td>Other Current Expenses (Check printing, Postage, Subscriptions, Satellite TV - CJ#5)</td>
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<td>Indigent Packets for Prisoners</td>
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**TOTAL EXPENDITURES:** $ 1,300,228

**Revenue Surplus/(Deficit):** $ 67,483
DATE: October 8, 2009

TO: Angela Calvillo, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
Ben Rosenfield, City Controller
Jose' Cisneros, City Treasurer
Nadia Sesay, Director of the Controller's Office of Public Finance
Harvey Rose, Budget Analyst

FROM: Rhoda Parhams, Capital Program Manager


As required prior to the issuance of any portion of 2008 Clean & Safe Neighborhood Parks Bond, please find attached a copy of the 2008 Clean & Safe Neighborhood Parks Bond Accountability Report for the 2nd Bond Sale, dated October 2009.

cc: Philip A. Ginsburg, Recreation and Parks Department General Manager
Monique Moyer, Port of San Francisco Executive Director
Citizens General Obligation Bond Oversight Committee
Brian Strong, Capital Planning Program Director
To the Board of Supervisors,

In regards to the recent move toward the sanctuary rule, I am vehemently opposed to the change, if a minor commits a crime, he/she has lost the protection of the policy. There is no entitlement to the individual who disrespects the law.
Please see corrected last sentence of previous e-mail.

-----Original Message-----
>From: Kim Rohrbach
>Sent: Oct 4 2009 5:32 PM

>Subject: Public comment: protect undocumented juvenile defendants
>
>Supervisors:
>
>Tomorrow you will hear directly from the people whose families and communities are being torn apart, whose lives are being thrown into upheaval, and whose life prospects are being threatened as a consequence of this city's current policies and practices with respect to undocumented juvenile defendants. Since I am unable to attend tomorrow's public comment session at City Hall, I am writing now to say my piece.
>
>There is only one ethical, just and humane position that you can take in regard to David Campos's proposed legislation: and that is to support it. Surely you all know this on some level.
>
>I hope those of you who have thus far supported Campos's legislation will continue to support its passage. I also hope you will urge your minority opponents to reconsider their positions on this critical issue.
>
>Immigrants are not responsible for the consolidation of their native countries' resources into fewer and fewer (corporate) hands; nor are they responsible for the disempowerment of the global work force, or a global arms and drug trade largely spurred and promulgated by U.S. policies. To unjustly deport undocumented immigrants under the pretense of maintaining law and order is a disgusting sham -- although a sham that has devastating consequences for real people.
>
>Sincerely,
>
>Kim Rohrbach
>District 9
>
>"Punishing Youth with Deportation" by Sara Campos
>www.colorlines.com/article.php?ID=611
>
>"One Love, One Nation, Stop Deportation"
Dear Friends and Neighbors,

I wasn't able to attend this morning's hearing by the Public Safety Committee on David Campos' immigration measure. As you know, it would require the city to shelter young illegal immigrants, who are felony suspects, from federal authorities, contrary to federal law.

But I did watch a rerun of the hearing via a Net feed this evening, up until the public comment period began. The chamber was packed with supporters whom Campos had brought in. To plaudits from the crowd, he described his measure as "a piece of civil-rights legislation" and compared himself to Harvey Milk.

Chris Daly attacked the motives and character of anyone who dared to criticize the measure. Daly said such criticism reflected "anti-immigrant hysteria" and "racism and classicism."

John Avalos said the measure should be considered "apart from that incident." He was referring to the murder of three members of the Bologna family by a young illegal immigrant whom the city had sheltered, knowing he was a felony suspect at the time.

David Chiu compared critics of the measure to San Franciscans who applauded discrimination against Chinese-Americans earlier in this century.

Michela Alioto-Pier said only that she was looking forward to "a good debate."

Nobody made any mention of the growing power in CA of international drug cartels operating out of Mexico. Their practice is to use young illegal immigrant gang members for committing horrible acts of violence, according to many press reports.

There was one glitch in the production. At one point, when Chris Daly referred to himself as a person who "flunked out of college," Ross Mirkarimi turned and winked at David Chiu. Both laughed.

In other words, this committee meeting was run like a rigged TV quiz show, as usual. Everything was decided in advance, rhetoric prevailed, critics were demonized, and the gallery was packed and coached.

It was a careless slip, however, for Ross Mirkarimi and David Chiu to allow themselves to be caught on tape laughing at Chris Daly.

Sometimes reality breaks through even the best-scripted of shows.
Yours for rationality in government,

Arthur Evans

* * *
Dear Friends and Neighbors,

For months now, Supe David Campos has been beating the drum on behalf of young illegal immigrants who are suspected of felonies. He promised to bring an ordinance before the Board of Supes that would require the city to shield them from federal authorities, contrary to existing federal and state law.

Until recently, the city had followed such a shielding policy. But it was rescinded after three members of the Bologna family were murdered. The suspect turns out to be a youthful illegal immigrant whom the city had shielded from federal authorities (Oops!).

Campos noisily promised to reinstitute the discredited policy after it was rescinded. The text of his ordinance for doing so has now finally become available to the public. And guess what? It turns out to be a self-contradictory piece of rhetoric that the courts will not likely let stand.

The ordinance begins by affirming the superiority of federal and state law. It says: “it is the policy of the City and County to maintain that confidentiality [of the criminal records of young immigrants] to the full extent required and permitted by state and federal law.”

But the superiority of federal and state law is the very reason why the city rescinded its former policy of shielding illegal immigrants suspected of felonies. These laws nowhere create the exception for illegal immigrants that Campos wants. Quite the contrary.

After giving lip service to the superiority of federal and state law, the ordinance goes on to state: “The mere fact that a juvenile has been detained upon suspicion of committing a felony is insufficient to justify reporting in the interests of public safety.”

This is Campos’ big slight of hand. The issue is not about “a juvenile” but a juvenile who is in this country illegally. Federal and state laws, which this ordinance itself invokes, require that if illegal immigrants are suspected of committing felonies, federal authorities must be notified.

Campos’ ordinance is an exercise in self-contradiction. It acknowledges a principle and then proceeds to specify a strategy for obstructing it. It’s like driving a car with one foot on the gas and the other on the brake.

The supes may not care about logical consistency. In fact, their behavior often indicates that they do not. However, the courts are a different matter.
This self-contradictory ordinance is an open invitation for enterprising personal-injury lawyers. They will continue to find criminal cases where the suspects are young illegal immigrants, shielded by the city, contrary to federal and state laws. They will sue the city on behalf of the crime victims. Eventually, there will be big payouts, and the ordinance will be struck down.

Nonetheless, David Campos and the seven other supes who currently support this ordinance will be able to strike the rhetorical poses they love. The only losers will be the crime victims and the taxpayers. (What a deal, huh?)

Don’t take my word for it. You can read the text of the ordinance for yourself. Go to the link below and click on the PDF file for item #3:

http://www.sfgov.org/site/bdsupvrs_page.asp?id=111683

Yours for rationality in government,

Arthur Evans

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From the AP story: "Supervisor David Campos, who sponsored the proposal, said San Francisco has led the way in arenas from same-sex marriage to universal health care. This is yet another issue in which the city can take leadership, he said."

Why in hell should the city "take leadership" in coddling violent criminals at the expense of productive, law-abiding residents? Campos' proposal doesn't hold up legally or morally. He's a liar. Completely full of crap.

I should mention that, lest I be accused of being a right-wing lunatic or a xenophobe or racist, I am a liberal on most issues and I am married to a Latino (legal) non-citizen immigrant who agrees with me.

I generally support the Board, but you are WAY, WAY OFF on this one. Just ask the Bologna family. And then as those of us WHO ACTUALLY LIVE IN THE NEIGHBORHOODS OF THIS CITY.

Clerk Calvillo, please reply to this message and let me know which Supervisors have fallen victim to Supervisor Campos' nonsense, and which have opposed it.

I am sick and tired of the Board supporting policies that are merely feel-good measures, at the expense of the safety of those of us who actually live in your districts and pay your salaries.

Steve Zafft
San Francisco Board of Supervisors  
1 Carlton B. Goodlett Place  
San Francisco, California  
94102

Dear Supervisors:

I like the various features of the project that would expand and revitalize a downtown park, expand open space by 80% and build a residential tower for family housing at 555 Washington.

This project has benefits for many groups:

* Financial District merchants get an increased customer base from the new residents attracted to the area;

* Park users get a larger, improved park that will be open longer;

* Affordable housing for SF's workforce will get millions in payments from this project;

* Chinatown gets access to more open space;

* The city gets sorely needed property tax revenue.

I urge you to support this project.

Regards,

[Signature]
Dear Supervisor Mirkarimi,

I live in the Nopa area and I am writing to let you know I do not want the SFgo freeway-style signs installed on Oak/Broderick or on Fell/Divisadero Street. I believe these signs are a distraction and will encourage speeding. I think these signs will increase safety hazards for bicyclists and pedestrians. In addition, the signs are ugly, big and electronic. They undermine our efforts to enhance our living environment through corridor improvements like the streetscape project currently underway.

Please convince MTA these signs must go. I feel that several alternatives are better than what is proposed. These include:

* Moving the Fell Street sign to the Octavia off-ramp. There is already one going south.
* A Radio station devoted to traffic that can safely alerts drivers all the time -- not just in one place.
* Temporary signs when conditions warrant it.
* Smaller, non-electric signs that direct drivers to alternative parking for the deYoung and Cal Academy.

One sign will not alleviate the congestion that my neighbors to the west face. I understand their concerns and want to see a solution but not at the expense of my neighborhoods safety. The recent death of a pedestrian on Broderick and Fell just underscores the need for vigilant traffic calming. Freeway style signs on Fell and Oak will not do that.

Sincerely,

Jarie Bolander
Presidio Gate Entrance Closure.

I am deeply concerned about the closure of this entrance, I work in the Presidio and this is my primary, closest, and safest entrance into and out of the park. Especially when I am on my motorcycle.

Now I am being forced into Lombard Street traffic and the very steep Divisadero hill. I am curious what this closure hopes to gain, granted there are SF residents who do the cut-through to get to the Marina and Doyle Drive. But this traffic is only passing maybe 5 resident houses and is at low speeds.

This closure will also force more cars into the Pacific Heights streets as people head to Divisadero. The issue here is the large number of schools that are in this area and already are packed and congested with children and parents, driving and walking. As it stands, Divisadero is already grid-locked with traffic during the day and even more so during the commute hours so this will make matters even worse and cause more environmental pollution due to the start and stopping on the steep 4 way stops.

Please re-consider the impact to the surrounding community.

-Marshall Krasser
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Melinda Price
Sausalito, CA 94965
To  board.of.supervisors@sfgov.org, gavin.newsom@sfgov.org, Sophie.Maxwell@sfgov.org, kim-shree@kimshree4schoolboard.org

cc

bcc

Subject  Public trust...

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| Kim-Shree Maufas is completely dedicated to responding to the community that she hopes to serve. Please don't hesitate to contact her in any way! |

The above text appears on Kim-Shree Maufas' website here: http://www.kimshree4schoolboard.org/Contact.html

I am calling for an investigation into circumstances brought to light in an article on sfgate.com here: http://www.sfgate.com/cgi-bin/article.cgi?f=/c/a/2009/10/04/MN7R19QQC4.DTL

If Ms. Maufas is found to have misappropriated City funds or otherwise misused City assets, I think that she should be prosecuted as vigorously as possible.

Sincerely,
Lee Doolan
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cell:  
Williamson Act Regional
Training Workshops – 2009

The State of California Department of Conservation, Division of Land Resource Protection will be providing regional training workshops to promote effective local government administration of the California Land Conservation (Williamson) Act Program. These workshops will be an opportunity to discuss and address notable challenges facing counties and local government.

The workshops are designed for government planning, tax assessment, agricultural and special district professionals. However, all other interested governmental or district staff is welcome to attend. Please submit questions or concerns you would like discussed, as the agenda will be tailored to address common regional issues.

Topics to be covered include:
- Background and overview of the Williamson Act
- Compatible uses on contracted lands
- Contract termination and cancellation procedures
- California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) mitigation options
- Current fair market valuation and formal review process
- Subdivisions and lot line adjustments
- Public acquisition and notification process
- Legislative and judicial changes affecting the Williamson Act
- Notable issues and challenges to Williamson Act enforcement
- Subvention Funds

Workshops will be held on the following dates –

Monday, October 5, 2009 - Stanislaus

Stanislaus County Department of Agriculture and Weights & Measures
Harvest Hall
3800 Cornucopia Way, Suite B
Modesto, CA 95358
(209) 525-4730

Thursday, October 22, 2009 - Tulare

HHSA Professional Development Center
4031 West Noble Avenue
Visalia, Ca 93277
(559) 713-5062

Friday, October 23, 2009 - San Luis Obispo

City/County Library
Library Community Room
995 Palm Street
San Luis Obispo, CA 93401
There is no cost to attend these workshops. The workshops begin at 10:00 am and finish by 3:00 pm, with a break for lunch. We look forward to your participation in these informative events.

Complete info below. Email to Sharon Grewal at sgrewal@conservation.ca.gov
Please RSVP no later than one (1) week prior to a scheduled workshop. Thank you.

Name: ____________________________________________________________

Department/Agency: ________________________________________________

Phone: ( ____ ) __________________

Email: ____________________________________________________________

Discussion Topic, Question and/or Concern (write below):

1. ___________________________________________________________________

2. ___________________________________________________________________

3. ___________________________________________________________________

Sharon Grewal
Environmental Planner
Williamson Act Program

STATE OF CALIFORNIA
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TO ALL AFFECTED AND INTERESTED PARTIES:

This is to provide you with a copy of the notice of proposed emergency regulatory action relating to incidental take of Pacific fisher.

Sincerely,

Sherrie Fonbuena

Sherrie Fonbuena
Associate Governmental Program Analyst

Attachments
Dear Members of the Board of Supervisors,

I am writing in regards to the possible closure of Mason Street between Lombard Street and Columbus Ave. The temporary closure has ended, and I would like to urge you to keep it open.

Traffic in the area at times was horrible. Tour buses are constantly in the area either just passing through, or stopping to let off tourists to visit the crooked street. All it takes is one tour bus on westbound Lombard Street to back traffic around the corner down Mason street or along Lombard Street.

The proponents of closing Mason Street would have you believe that this is a trivial concern. Do not let feel-good politics blind you to reality. There are only a few intersections that emergency vehicles can use to cross from Columbus on the way to Fisherman’s Wharf and back. Block off one and the traffic will clog the others, making it more difficult for emergency vehicles to pass. The right-turn from northbound Columbus onto eastbound Lombard is very sharp and cannot be navigated quickly. Placing obstacles in the way of emergency vehicles by closing Mason Street would increase the danger to the public in times of emergency.

So while I'm all for a new library if the City can afford it, closing Mason Street should not be part of the plan. It is not safe, and would cause a major, negative impact to the surrounding neighborhood. More parks would be nice, but safety concerns should come first. I hope you will do the right thing and keep Mason Street open.

Best regards,
Brian Lee
September 30, 2009

Anna Hom
Consumer Protection and Safety Division
California Public Utilities Commission
505 Van Ness Avenue
San Francisco, CA 94102

RE: T-Mobile West Corporation as successor in interest to Omnipoint Communications, Inc. d/b/a T-Mobile (U-3056-C) Notification Letter for T-Mobile Site No. SF23272C

This letter provides the Commission with notice pursuant to the provisions of General Order No. 159A of the Public Utilities Commission of the State of California (CPUC) that with regard to the project described in Attachment A:

☑ (a) T-Mobile has obtained all requisite land use approval for the project described in Attachment A.

☐ (b) No land use approval is required because

______________________________________________________________________________________________

A copy of this notification letter is being sent to the local government agency identified below for its information. Should there be any questions regarding this project, or if you disagree with the information contained herein, please contact Joni Norman, Senior Development Manager, for T-Mobile, at (925) 521-5987, or contact Ms. Anna Hom of the CPUC Consumer Protection and Safety Division at (415) 703-2699.

Sincerely,

Joni Norman
Sr. Development Manager
T-Mobile West Corporation
a subsidiary of T-Mobile USA Inc.

Enclosed: Attachment A

cc: City of San Francisco, Attn: City Manager, 1 Carlton B. Goodlett Place, San Francisco, CA 94102
    City of San Francisco, Attn: City Clerk, 1 Carlton B. Goodlett Place, San Francisco, CA 94102
    City of San Francisco, Attn: City Planning Director, 1 Carlton B. Goodlett Place, San Francisco, CA 94102
ATTACHMENT A

1. **Project Location**
   
   Site Identification Number: SF23272C  
   Site Name: PGE CAP Bacon/Cambrid  
   Site Address: 590 Cambridge St (near), San Francisco, CA  94134  
   County: San Francisco  
   Assessor's Parcel Number: Public Right-of-ROW  
   Latitude: 37° 43' 26.44" N  
   Longitude: 121° 25' 03.96" W

2. **Project Description**
   
   Number of Antennas to be installed: 3  
   Tower Design: Antennas to be mounted inside proposed radome enclosure.  
   Tower Appearance: Existing Joint Pole in ROW  
   Tower Height: 48ft  
   Size of Buildings: n/a

3. **Business Addresses of all Governmental Agencies**
   
   City of San Francisco  
   Attn: City Planning Director  
   1 Carlton B. Goodlett Place  
   San Francisco, CA  94102
   
   City of San Francisco,  
   Attn: City Clerk  
   1 Carlton B. Goodlett Place  
   San Francisco, CA  94102
   
   City of San Francisco,  
   Attn: City Manager  
   1 Carlton B. Goodlett Place  
   San Francisco, CA  94102

4. **Land Use Approvals**
   
   Date Zoning Approval Issued: Personal Wireless Service Facility Approval issued 09/28/09  
   Land Use Permit #: PWSF 09WR-0070
   
   If Land use Approval was not required:
October 6, 2009

San Francisco Board of Supervisors
City Hall
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, Room 244
San Francisco, CA 94102

Dear Board of Supervisors,

Enclosed please find a copy of the resolution support of the Cuban 5. It was adopted by the executive committee of the San Francisco Labor Council on October 5, 2009.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions regarding this resolution.

Sincerely,

Tim Paulson
Executive Director

San Francisco Board of Supervisors
City Hall
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, Room 244
San Francisco, CA 94102
Resolution in Support of the Cuban Five, their Rights to Fair Trial and Visitation Rights for their Families

Whereas, Ramon Labañino, Rene Gonzalez, Fernando Gonzalez, Antonio Guerrero and Gerardo Hernandez known as the “Cuban Five” were arrested in Miami, Florida in September of 1998 and charged with 26 counts of violating federal laws of the United States, 24 of those charges were technical and minor offenses, none of the charges reflected violence against the United States, use of weapons, property damage, nor threatened or killed any person or transferred U.S. Government documents or classified material; they are serving four life time sentences and 77 years in U.S. prisons collectively; and

Whereas, the “Cuban Five” had a mission to infiltrate and monitor the activities of terrorist and criminal groups operating in Miami and report planned threats against the Cuban people and government of Cuba. More than 3,000 Cuban citizens have lost their lives due to this terrorism over decades including the explosion of a bomb mid air killing 73 passengers of Cubana Airlines on October 6, 1976, which Orlando Bosch and Luis Posada Carriles of Miami have been suspects. In 1990, President Bush Senior pardoned Orlando Bosch and the United States government continues to protect Luis Posada Carriles from extradition for trial as required by international covenant; and

Whereas, the arrest of the “Cuban Five” took place shortly after the Cuban government shared information with the United States government authorities concerning terrorist actions against Cuba being planned from Miami; and

Whereas, upon arrest in 1998, the “Cuban Five” spent 17 months in solitary confinement and in 2003 one month in the “hole” under isolated and terrible conditions; and

Whereas, in August 2005, the 11th Circuit three-judge panel unanimously overturned all the “Cuban Five’s” convictions and ordered a new trial citing it was impossible for the Cuban Five to receive a fair trial in Miami due to various Cuban exile groups and paramilitary camps that operate in the Miami area; and

Whereas, three retired Generals and a retired Admiral of the United States army testified at the trial that the “Cuban Five” were not a threat to the United States National Security; and

Whereas, Alberto Gonzales, directly intervened on the U.S. governments behalf to set aside the 11th Circuit three judge panel opinions; and

Whereas, in June 2006, the 11th Circuit Court of Appeals upheld the guilty verdict and the panel ratified the sentences of Rene Gonzalez and Gerardo Hernandez. In the cases of Pamon Labanino, Antonio Guerrero, and Fernando Gonzalez, they were sent back for re-sentencing in the same court that convicted them in Miami; and

Whereas, on May 27, 2005, the United Nations Working Group on Arbitrary Detentions found the detention of the “Cuban Five” to be in “contravention of article 14 of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights”, and requested that the United States Government adopt...
the necessary steps to remedy the situation, in conformity with the principles stated in the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights; and

Whereas, Amnesty International has condemned the inhuman treatment of the “Cuban Five”, by the United States refusal and/or severe limitation of visas for family visitations since 1998,

Therefore be it Resolved that the San Francisco Labor Council calls for President Obama and Secretary of State Hillary Clinton to consider the violation of International Covenant and due process for fair trial associated with the conviction and imprisonment of the Cuban Five; seek diplomatic improvement in the relationship between the United States and Cuba; and calls for pardon and release of the Cuban Five to their homeland, in respect for information provided to the United States Government to protect us and others from acts of terrorism and consideration of time served in prison since 1998 for violations of United States federal law; and

Be it Further Resolved, as long as these men remain in prison, the government of the United States allow the right of regular visits, as per international law, for all of the prisoners’ relatives, including the immediate granting of humanitarian visas to Olga Salanueva and Adriana Perez to visit their husbands in prison; and

Be it Further Resolved that the San Francisco Labor Council calls on AFL-CIO President Trumka to send a letter to President Obama expressing the content of this resolution; and

Be it Finally Resolved that this resolution shall be sent to the to President Obama, Secretary of State Hillary Clinton, the Attorney General, United States Senators Boxer and Feinstein, Speaker Pelosi and other Bay Area Congressional members, State Senators Leno and Yee, State Assembly members Ammiano and Ma, and members of the San Francisco Board of Supervisors.


Respectfully,

Tim Paulson
Executive Director

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Dear supervisors, Please help us save the sharp park golf course. It is very important to us and we thank you.

neighbors.
Dear Members of the Board of Supervisors:

I have been researching and investigating Brent Plater and his organization; RestoreSharpPark.org and I concluded (from research readily available to anyone on the World Wide Web) that all their claims; made by Mr. Plater, are flagrant misrepresentations and gross exagerations. I feel compelled to make you aware of what I can only determine is an attempt to mislead the City of San Francisco Board of Supervisors to dispose of Sharp Park Golf Course in his favor.

I have prepare the webpost below and encourage you to investigate my concerns from your office's perspective.

Best regards,
ThePacifican

Something Stinks at RestoreSharpPark.org!

When something smells like a rat - it's usually a rat! The misrepresentations, exaggerations, glossy brochure, website and media blitz by Brent Plater and RestoreSharpPark.org just seem too extreme to simply be Environmental Altruism. Whenever someone goes to this much concentrated effort - there is usually a great deal of money to be made. I have a sneaking suspicion that that is the case with ReestoreSharpPark.org. and whomever they are shilling for. The scam - and it is a scam - revolves around a concept called Mitigation Banking. Mitigation Banking is a mechanism where a land developer, polluter, etc. can offset the environmentally adverse impact that they cause to similar nearby ecosystems by tapping into a Mitigation Bank which has restored, created enhanced or preserved wetland, stream or habitat conservation areas. It would appear that Sharp Park and its watershed fit that bill very nicely - there is only one problem - that pesky golf course. Kill the golf course and you can put this gloriously altruistic environmental rehabilitation plan into effect.

But, the people that control the land and the parties that currently enjoy the land must be cajoled or bludgeoned into submission. Hence, the media blitz and hard sell on the bugaboos stirred up by RestoreSharpPark.org.

So what are the attack points:

1. Sharp Park is costing the cash strapped city of San Francisco millions to maintain with millions to come. -- [SF Parks and Recreation Financial Statements indicate Sharp Park is REVENUE NEUTRAL - it breaks even which is what a municipal course is supposed to do.]
2. It's a hideous course that is an environmental disaster that only Pacifican's play and San Francisco foots the bill -- [Sharp Park is an "Organic" course; for the last few years Sharp Park
has not used Chemical Fertilizers, Herbicides or Pesticides on the course - and, 78% of the people that play the course live in San Francisco]

3. RestoreSharpPark.org is vehement in minimizing the Historical Significance of a Municipal Golf Course designed by one of the most prominent golf course architects at the turn of the last century - Alister MacKenzie or that John MacLaren (architect of the beloved and beautiful Golden Gate Park) laid out the magnificent landscape design and planted the now century old Cypress trees that define Sharp Park Golf Course or the role Jack Flemming played in managing and architecting this Historical Course. They continually cite that Joe Faulkner as being a local "published" golf historian that claims that there is no MacKenzie legacy at Sharp Park and the "Course would never be the same because 7 holes were "washed out to sea" – Mr. Faulkner, is a greens keeper at a San Francisco golf course that wrote a Class Paper about San Francisco Golf Courses while a student at San Francisco State in 1979. In it he claims that, and I quote directly from his paper, “As it exists and as golfers play it today, Sharp Park has 12 holes – all lying west of Highway One – that are original holes designed by MacKenzie. Two other holes near the ocean (the current 12th and 16th holes) are played in original MacKenzie fairways, but do not have the original greens. The course today lacks five of its original holes (being original holes numbers 3,4,6,7, and 8) that were taken out of play when a seawall was built some time after MacKenzie’s death, and were replaced by four new holes east of Highway One, which were designed by MacKenzie’s design assistant – Jack Flemming”. – It would appear that the statements by RestoreSharpPark.org are flagrant misrepresentations and patently untrue. Mr. Faulkner has very publicly stated, “They have been misusing my name and misrepresenting my work and my opinion about the history and design of the golf course. And I want it to stop.” Mr. Plater continues to slander Mr. Faulkner’s reputation and work.

4. The course maintenance crew are killing countless California Red-legged Frogs and San Francisco Garter Snakes every day -- [this is the Big Lie of this campaign - California Red-Legged Frogs though once prevalent throughout the state have been in decline since the Gold Rush - their demise has been accelerated by the use of pesticides as detailed in a research paper published by UC Davis in 2001. (Co-authored by Dr. Carlos Davidson – now a Plater ally) Also, in a 2002 UC Berkley published research paper by Jess Morgan discusses the nature of an amphibian fungus that is 100% lethal to infected frogs of which the California Red -legged Frog is an affected species. As for the San Francisco Garter Snake it preys on California Red Legged Frogs - so its decline to a large part is tied to that of the frogs. Additionally, when the Frogs were being hunted to the tune of 80,000 to 100,000 a day in the late nineteenth century - the well meaning ecologist of their day sought to temper the impact of their demise by introducing the American Bullfrog into California - which turn out to be a predator to the California Red-legged Frog which added to their depletion. – In May 2002, the US Fish and Wildlife Service published a detailed, 173 page course of action: “Recovery Plan for the California Red-legged Frog” where the state that they expect the California Red-legged Frog would be Federally Delisted as Threatened in 2025. In the report they also cite an abundance of California Red-legged Frog natural habitats and populations on the Central Coast between Monterey and Santa Barbara]

5. The 1900 habitat that existed prior to the golf course construction must be restored and there will be a resurgence of the California Red-legged Frog and the California Garter Snake - the implication is that this is the last great hope for these two species. -- [Nothing could be
further from the truth. The frogs and their prey; the snakes have been in accelerated decline all along the California coast over the last 25 years. Fact-in-point; in the mid-eighties Ano Nuevo State Park, which has a similar geography to Sharp Park looks very similar 'today' to the proposed restoration that RestoreSharpPark.org is proposing replace the golf course, was teaming with California Red-Legged Frogs and San Francisco Garter Snakes; you could not avoid running across their presence at every step throughout the park. Today, you are hard pressed to come across one after diligent searching. If the pristine environment of Ano Nuevo cannot sustain a robust population of these snakes and frogs - then clearly there are other factors at work. How can the restoration of Sharp Park save the species, especially when scientific surveys peg the San Francisco Garter Snake at Mori Point (another preserved area next to the golf course) at 12 snakes? If you examine the lifecycle, habitat and breeding environments that these creatures prefer - fresh water, creeks and ponds, covering vegetation and bulrushes - it would seem that Sharp Park Golf Course already offers them all the elements they need and yet no-one has seem a snake on the course in over 20 years]
It would seem to me that someone is trying to pull the wool over the eyes of many unsuspecting and unwitting people for financial gain. By employing what can only be construed as despicable chicanery RestoreSharpPark.org is attempting to manipulate the circumstances so that they and those backing this scheme plan to profit from Mitigation Banking Sharp Park at the expense of other environmentally sensitive land decimation elsewhere in the Bay Area.
RestoreSharpPark.org must be exposed for the Wolf-in-Sheep's clothing that they are and the filth that is backing them need to be exposed for the fraud that they are attempting to perpetrate on San Franciscans and Pacificans alike.

ThePacifican
Dear Honorable Members:

Attached is the GoSolarSF 2008-2009 Status Report that provides an update on the first year of the successful solar energy incentive program, and serves as the status report required in the solar energy incentive ordinance. The report highlights various aspects of GoSolarSF and presents the exciting first year results:

- **868 GoSolarSF applications received**
- **$6.7 million requested**
- **3.16 megawatts installed or committed**
- **33 green jobs created**

Please contact my office at 415-554-2483 if you have questions about the GoSolarSF program or the status report.

Sincerely,

Barbara Hale

Barbara Hale  
Assistant General Manager, Power  
SFPUC  
1155 Market St, 4th floor  
San Francisco, CA 94103  
Desk: 415-554-2483  
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Please consider our environment before printing.
Dear Supervisors:

Now that the Peak Oil Task Force has completed its work, should not the City & County bureaucrats take the lead in diminishing our need for oil? Without task force backing I labored for more than 20 years while working for the City and found ways to use less oil: One was the energy audit I initiated at 170 Otis where the department saved $80,000 per year. Other innovations including husbanding material and supplies. This had the effect of cutting back on shipment of supplies. I have begged just about every City Supervisor for the past 40 years to implement parts of my successful program with the Department of Social Services that saved resources and found more efficient ways to operate.

The department finally gave in to my persistence harping and offered me my own program known as the Resource Conservation Program. Its success is well known in the environmental community including the Department of the Environment (see YouTube and Search DENISE D'ANNE).

We are in a terrible crisis of diminishing resources, pollution, global warming, disease vectors and cannot afford to stand back and worry about this or that constituents take on requiring changes and sacrifices. We need to leave something for some of your very own children and grandchildren. Bold action needs to be taken NOW. Where better to start than in our vast bureaucracy.

Check this out: THE STORY OF STUFF

http://www.storyofstuff.com/

Denise D'Anne
San Francisco, CA 94103-3331
September 15, 2009

San Francisco Board of Supervisors
City Hall
Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, #244
San Francisco, CA 94102

On behalf of the Oakland Police Officers Association, Oakland Police Department and the families of the four slain officers, we would like to take this opportunity to thank you for resolution #102-09 for our fallen officers families and the department. Your thoughtfulness, to the families of Sgt. Mark Dunakin, Sgt. Ervin Romans, Sgt. Daniel Sakai and Officer John Hege is very appreciated. We do apologize for the tardiness of this acknowledgement, but we are just now gaining some organization again.

This tragedy is still unbelievable to us, but with people like you and your kindness, we were able to work our way through the services and we are now trying to move forward.

Again, please accept ou gratitude.

Sincerely,

Dominique Aroztarena
President
Oakland Police Officers Association

Barry Donelan
Vice President
Oakland Police Officers Association

Wendy Rae
Treasurer
Oakland Police Officers Association

555 5th Street • Oakland, CA 94607-3979 • (510) 834-9670
FAX (510) 834-0462
From; Mr. Glenn Pedroni
San Francisco, CA
94133-2021

To;
San Francisco's City Hall
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place Room 244
San Francisco, CA 94102

Oct.-2-2009 • 11:13 P.M.

Dear Gentlemen;

I was hoping that I would get a letter from the mayor. It usually takes two weeks to get a letter back from the mayor. I was wondering what kind of feeling people would have? What if it is read like a letter then a speech? Instead of saying I, instead put down he. I was two people I was James Lick and Glenn Pedroni. I think the problem is the International Hotel. I'm not going to change my stand. I don't want anything to do with it. Maybe it's Treasure Island. My stand on the island has weekend. In another words I might listen to the mayor. I am not responsible for the I Hotel. Everything was down behind my back? I just don't like the airya. If we get along we can go far as far as San Francisco goes.

Sincerely;
Mr. Glenn Pedroni
M. James Lick

Mr. Glenn Pedroni
1. INTRODUCTION: The Exploratorium museum plans to relocate to the San Francisco waterfront at Piers 15/17. The Exploratorium proposes to rehabilitate and structurally upgrade Pier 15 for use as a museum. As part of the redevelopment, Baydelta Maritime, an existing tug and tow operator located at Pier 15, would be relocated to Pier 17 and their tugboats would use the area north of Pier 17. Therefore, the Exploratorium (through its Agent: Christine Boudreau, Boudreau Assoc. LLC, 850 Montgomery St. Suite C-50, San Francisco, CA 94133) has applied for a permit to complete one episode of maintenance dredging of the area between Piers 17 and 19 so Bay Delta Maritime vessels may access Pier 17. The project site is located in San Francisco, San Francisco County, California. This application is being processed pursuant to the provisions of Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. § 1344) and Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899 (33 U.S.C. § 403).

2. PROJECT DESCRIPTION: As shown in the attached drawings, the applicant plans to remove approximately 85,000 cubic yards (cys) of sediment from the approximately 3.7 acre area during a single dredging episode. Current depths range from -7 to -11 feet mean lower low water (MLLW). The design depth for the project area is -20 feet MLLW plus an additional 2 foot overdredge allowance. The material would be removed using a clamshell dredge and then transported by barge to the Alcatraz Disposal Site (SF-11).

Prior to dredging, the Dredge Material Management Office (DMMO) will evaluate the sediments to be dredged for disposal or reuse suitability. The DMMO includes representatives from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, San Francisco Bay Conservation and Development Commission (BCDC), San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board (RWQCB), and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps). The DMMO is tasked with approving sampling and analysis plans in conformity with testing manuals, reviewing the test results and reaching consensus regarding a suitable disposition for the material.

3. COMPLIANCE WITH VARIOUS FEDERAL LAWS:

National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA): The Corps will assess the environmental impacts of the proposed action in accordance with the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. Section 4371 et. seq.), the Council on Environmental Quality's Regulations, 40 C.F.R. Part 1500-1508, and Corps' Regulations, 33 C.F.R. Part 230 and 325, Appendix B. Unless otherwise stated, the Environmental Assessment will describe only the impacts (direct, indirect, and cumulative) resulting from activities within the Corps' jurisdiction. The documents used in the preparation of the Environmental Assessment will be on file with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, San Francisco District, Regulatory Branch, 1455 Market Street, San Francisco, California 94103-1398.
Endangered Species Act of 1973 (ESA): Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act requires formal consultation with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS) and/or the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) if a Corps permitted project may adversely affect any Federally listed threatened or endangered species or its designated critical habitat. Species and critical habitat currently identified as potentially impacted by the proposed project include Chinook salmon and steelhead trout.

Please note that programmatic biological opinions (BOs) were issued by FWS (March 12, 1999) and NMFS (September 18, 1998) for the Long Term Management Strategy for the placement of dredged material in the San Francisco Bay region. As a result of the BOs there are allowable time frames to dredge to protect the habitat for threatened (and endangered) species and the species themselves per Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended. If the dredge work is conducted within those time frames, there is no need for consultation.

Federally-listed endangered adult winter-run Chinook salmon (Oncorhynchus tshawytscha) migrate through San Francisco Bay, as well as Suisun Bay and Honker Bay, to spawning areas in the upper Sacramento River during the late fall and early winter. Juveniles travel downstream through San Francisco Bay to the Pacific Ocean in the late fall as well. The movements of adult and juvenile salmon through the Bay system are thought to be rapid during these migrations. Since impacts to the water column during disposal events would be short-term, localized and minor in magnitude, no potentially adverse effects to winter-run Chinook salmon that may be near the disposal site are anticipated, if the dredge work is conducted from June 1 through November 30. If a permit is issued for this proposed project it will contain a condition that dredging is allowed only from June 1 through November 30 in any year, without consultation (pursuant to Section 7 of the ESA) with and approval from NMFS and the Corps.

Additionally, the Corps has concerns regarding potential impacts to Pacific herring during its annual spawning season. The proposed maintenance dredging will occur within the traditional Pacific herring spawning grounds. As a result, the Corps will condition the permit (if issued) so that dredging will be allowed only from March 1 through November 30 in any year.

Magnuson-Stevens Fisheries Conservation and Management Act: This notice initiates the Essential Fish Habitat (EFH) consultation requirements of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act. The proposal would impact approximately 3.7 acres of EFH utilized by various species of sole, shark and rockfish. Our initial determination is that the proposed action would not have a substantial adverse impact on EFH or federally managed fisheries in California waters. This determination is based on the fact that the project site has been dredged several times in the past. Starting in the 1920's, the project area was dredged to a depth of -35 feet MLLW. The last dredging event happened in the mid to late 1980s. The disposal site has been used since the 1960s for disposal and, therefore, both sites are considered by the Corps to be disturbed and the proposed activity will result in no new impacts to EFH. Our final determination relative to project impacts and the need for mitigation measures is subject to review by and coordination with NMFS. The recently-deposited bottom sediments to be dredged during maintenance dredge activities are composed mainly (approximately 94%) of silts and clays (mud). It is presumed that fish species utilizing the area would be using it for feeding during a period of growth. When dredging occurs, the fish should be able to

in San Francisco Bay are included in this ESU (evolutionarily significant unit) and therefore receive protection under the Endangered Species Act. There is concern that steelhead migrating through the Bay to streams in the North Bay might enter the dredge site. If a permit is issued for this proposed project it will contain a condition that dredging is allowed only from June 1 through November 30 in any year, without consultation (pursuant to Section 7 of the ESA) with and approval from NMFS and the Corps.

Central California populations of steelhead trout (Oncorhynchus mykiss) were classified as federally threatened in August 1997. The steelhead that occur
find ample and suitable foraging areas in and along the adjacent area. As the infaunal community recovers in the dredged area, fish species will return to feed. The "Baywide Eelgrass Inventory of San Francisco Bay," prepared by Merkel and Associates, dated October 2004, does not show the area in and around the project site as having any eelgrass beds. Eelgrass is not expected to be established in this area.

**Clean Water Act of 1972 (CWA):**

*a. Water Quality:* Under Section 401 of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. Section 1341), an applicant for a Corps permit must first obtain a State water quality certification before a Corps permit may be issued. The applicant has provided the Corps with evidence that a valid request has been submitted to the San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board for State water quality certification. No Corps permit will be granted until the applicant obtains the required water quality certification. The Corps may assume a waiver of water quality certification if the State fails or refuses to act on a valid request for certification within 60 days after the receipt of a valid request, unless the District Engineer determines a shorter or longer period is reasonable for the State to act.

Those parties concerned with any water quality issues that may be associated with this project should write to the Executive Officer, California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Francisco Bay Region, 1515 Clay Street, Suite 1400, Oakland, California 94612 by the close of the comment period of this Public Notice.

*b. Alternatives:* Evaluation of this proposed activity's impact includes application of the guidelines promulgated by the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency under Section 404(b)(1) of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. Section 1344(b)). The applicant has submitted an Analysis of Alternatives for the project and it will be reviewed for compliance with the guidelines. The applicant states that there are no practicable alternatives for this project.

**Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972 (CZMA):**

Section 307 of the Coastal Zone Management Act requires the applicant to certify that the proposed project will comply with the State's Coastal Zone Management Program, if applicable. No Corps permit will be issued until the State has concurred with the applicant's certification. Coastal development issues should be directed to the San Francisco Bay Conservation and Development Commission (BCDC), 50 California Street, Suite 2600, San Francisco, California 94111.

**National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (NHPA):** Because the project site has been previously dredged, historic or archeological resources are not expected to occur in the project vicinity. If unrecorded resources are discovered during construction of the project, operations will be suspended until the Corps completes consultation with the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) in accordance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act.

**4. PUBLIC INTEREST EVALUATION:** The decision whether to issue a permit will be based on an evaluation of the probable impact, including cumulative impact, of the proposed activity on the public interest. That decision will reflect the national concern for both protection and utilization of important resources. The benefits that reasonably may be expected to accrue from the proposed activity must be balanced against its reasonably foreseeable detriments. All factors that may be relevant to the proposal will be considered, including its cumulative effects. Among those factors are: conservation, economics, aesthetics, general environmental concerns, wetlands, historical properties, fish and wildlife values, flood hazards, floodplain values, land use, navigation, shoreline erosion and accretion, recreation, water quality, energy needs, safety, food and fiber production, mineral needs, considerations of property ownership, and, in general, the needs and welfare of the people.

**5. CONSIDERATION OF COMMENTS:** The Corps of Engineers is soliciting comments from the public, Federal, State and local agencies and officials,
Indian Tribes, and other interested parties in order to consider and evaluate the impacts of this proposed activity. Any comments received will be considered by the Corps to determine whether to issue, condition or deny a permit for this proposal. To make this decision, comments are used to assess impacts on endangered species, historic properties, water quality, general environmental effects, and the other public interest factors listed above. Comments are used in the preparation of an Environmental Assessment and/or an Environmental Impact Statement pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act. Comments are also used to determine the need for a public hearing and to determine the overall public interest in the proposed activity.

6. SUBMISSION OF COMMENTS: Interested parties may submit, in writing, any comments concerning this activity. Comments should include the applicant's name and the number and the date of this Public Notice, and should be forwarded so as to reach this office within the comment period specified on Page 1. Comments should be sent to Debra O'Leary at the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, San Francisco District, Operations and Readiness Division, 1455 Market Street, San Francisco, California 94103-1398. It is the Corps' policy to forward any such comments that include objections to the applicant for resolution or rebuttal. Any person may also request, in writing, within the comment period of this Public Notice that a public hearing be held to consider this application. Requests for public hearings shall state, with particularity, the reasons for holding a public hearing. Additional details may be obtained by contacting Debra O'Leary of our office at telephone number (415) 503-6807 or by E-mail at: debra.a.o'leary@usace.army.mil. Details on any changes of a minor nature that are made in the final permit action will be provided upon request.
Figure 1-1
Vicinity Map
Pier 17 and 19 (Exploratorium)
Figure 2
Proposed Sample Locations
Pier 17 and 19 (Exploratorium)

USACE File: 2009-001635
Exploratorium, Port of San Francisco Pier 17
Maintenance Dredging
Sheet 2 of 3


Horizontal Datum: California State Plane Zone 3, NAD 83
Vertical Datum: Mean Lower Low Water (MLLW)
Figure 3
Cross Section A-A'
Pier 17 and 19 (Exploratorium)

P17-DU1-06

P17-DU1-05

P17-DU1-04

P17-DU1-03

P17-DU1-02

P17-DU1-01

A

A'

Edge of Pier Structure
Existing Mudline

DU-1 (Mudline to EL -10' MLLW)

Limit of Dredge Boundary

DU-2 (EL -10' to -14' MLLW)

DU-3 (EL -14' to -18' MLLW)

DU-4 (EL -18' to -22' MLLW)

Allowable Overdepth Limit

Elevation in Feet (Vertical exaggeration)

Horizontal Distance in Feet (at Vertical exaggeration)

0 40 80 120 160 200 240 280 320 360 400 440 480 520 560 600 640 680 720 760 800 840 880

USACE File: 2009-00163S
Exploratorium, Port of San Francisco Pier 17
Maintenance Dredging
Sheet 3 of 3 September 2009
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2115 Golden Gate  SR# 959634  (Notice posted 9-22-09- Due 10-23-09)
1700 Golden Gate  SR# 959635  (Notice posted 9-22-09- Due 10-23-09)
323 Linden  SR# 959638  (Notice posted 9-22-09- Due 10-23-09)
587 Haight  SR# 959633  (Nothing Found 9-22-09)
478-484 Haight  SR# 961768  (Abated 9-25-09)
577 Haight  SR# 959636  (Notice posted 9-21-09- Due 10-22-09)
471 Haight  SR# 959640  (Notice posted 9-21-09- Abated 10-9-09)
200 Octavia  SR# 959642  (Notice posted 9-21-09- Abated 10-9-09)
1594 Golden Gate  SR# 953828  (Notice posted 9-21-09- Due 10-22-09)
999 Oak  SR# 959665  (Notice posted 9-21-09- Abated 9-24-09)
610 Fillmore  SR# 959685  (Notice posted 9-21-09- Due 10-22-09)
542 Divisadero  SR# 959696  (Nothing Found 9-22-09)
330 Fillmore  SR# 959691  (Nothing Found 9-22-09)
338 Fillmore  SR# 959702  (Notice posted 9-21-09- Due 10-22-09)
485 Scott  SR# 950017  (Blighted Notice Posted- Abated 9-30-09)
526 Haight  SR# 956644  (Nothing Found 9-22-09)
796 Haight  SR# 923190- Notice Posted- Resent letter to correct owner 9-24-09)
421 Scott  SR# 952061  (Notice posted 8-27-09- Due 9-28-09)
1133 Fell  SR# 959727  (Nothing Found 9-21-09)
1421 Fulton  SR# 959726  (Notice posted 9-21-09- Due 10-22-09)
458 Scott  SR# 959729  (Nothing Found 9-21-09)
400 Oak  SR# 920866  (Notice posted 9-21-09- Due 10-22-09)
540 Haight  SR# 962839  (Notice posted 9-30-09- Due 11-02-09)
1133 Fell  SR# 959725  (Nothing Found 9-22-09)
1109 Oak  SR# 959733  (Notice posted 9-21-09- Due 10-22-09)
650 Fillmore SR # 959735 (Nothing Found 9-22-09)  
590 Steiner SR # 966551 (Nothing Found 9-22-09)  
500-08 Scott SR # 959305 (Notice posted 9-24-09- Due 10-26-09)  
500 Oak SR # 959740 (Notice posted 9-21-09- Due 10-22-09)  
55 Laguna SR # 959732 (Notice posted 9-21-09- Abated 10-3-09)  
1689 Fulton SR # 953834 (Nothing Found 9-22-09)  
604 Haight SR # 959856 (Notice posted 9-21-09- Due 10-22-09)  
425 Haight SR # 959736 (Notice posted 9-21-09- Due 10-22-09)  
539 Gough SR # 959746 (Notice posted 10-10-09 Due 11-13-09)  
879 Haight SR # 949720 (Nothing Found 9-21-09)  
899 Haight SR # 949739 (Nothing Found 9-21-09)  
900 Haight SR # 953173 (Notice posted 9-21-09- Due 10-23-09)  
901 Haight SR # 935046 (Notice posted 9-21-09- Due 10-22-09)  
1298 Haight SR # 959742 (Notice posted 9-24-09- Due 10-26-09)  
1801 Fulton SR # 959747 (Notice posted 9-24-09- Due 10-26-09)  
1689 Fulton SR # 953834 (Nothing Found 9-22-09)  
583 Haight SR # 959743 (Notice posted 9-21-09 -Abated 9-24-09)  
1881 Oak NO SUCH ADDRESS  
218 Pierce SR # 959755 (Notice posted 9-22-09- Due 10-23-09)  
338 Haight SR # 959745 (Nothing Found 9-21-09)  
295 Buchanan SR # 931097 (Blighted Notice) Pending City Abatement

Jonathan C. Vaing  
SF-DPW Graffiti Unit

-----Original Message-----
From: Rodis, Nathan  
Sent: Friday, September 18, 2009 1:57 PM  
To: Vaing, Jonathan  
Cc: Nuru, Mohammed; Stringer, Larry  
Subject: FW: BOARD OF SUPERVISORS INQUIRY # 20090915-003

Jonathan,

Please respond directly to the Board of Supervisors and copy Supe. Mirkarimi. Please use the reference number in your reply title, and copy Frank W. Lee and myself because we are tracking these requests.

Thank you!

Nathan Rodis  
Assistant to the Director's Office  
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-----Original Message-----
From: Board of Supervisors  
Sent: Friday, September 18, 2009 1:18 PM  
To: Reiskin, Ed  
Subject: BOARD OF SUPERVISORS INQUIRY

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS INQUIRY  
For any questions, call the sponsoring supervisor
TO: Edward Reiskin  
Public Works  
FROM: Clerk of the Board  
DATE: 9/18/2009  
REFERENCE: 20090915-003  
FILE NO.  
Due Date: 10/17/2009

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1689 Fulton  
583 Haight
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Your response to this inquiry is requested by 10/17/2009
To: Lolita Espinosa/BOS/SFGOV, Rana Calonsag/BOS/SFGOV, 
cc: bee

Subject: Fw: BOARD OF SUPERVISORS INQUIRY # 20090915-004

Here's the status of removing graffiti from utility poles at the following locations:

Metal Pole:
- NEC Octavia & Fell, SR# 959450 (Abated 9-20-09)
- All corner Haight & Fillmore, SR# 959452 (Abated 9-20-09)
- In front of 105 Fillmore, SR# 959451 (Abated 9-20-09)
- In front of 431 Fell, SR# 959454 (Abated 9-20-09)
- SEC Broderick & Hayes, SR# 959455 (Abated 9-20-09)
- NWC Masonic & Haight, SR# 959456 (Abated 9-20-09)

Wood Pole:
- In front of 468 Fell, SR# 959457 (Abated 9-20-09)
- In front of 500 Fillmore, SR# 959469 (Abated 9-20-09)

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SF-DPW Graffiti Unit

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From: Rodis, Nathan
Sent: Friday, September 18, 2009 1:40 PM
To: Vaing, Jonathan
Cc: Nuru, Mohammed; Stringer, Larry
Subject: FW: BOARD OF SUPERVISORS INQUIRY # 20090915-004

Jonathan,
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Thank you!

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TO: Edward Reiskin
Public Works

FROM: Clerk of the Board
DATE: 9/18/2009
REFERENCE: 20090915-004
FILE NO.

Due Date: 10/17/2009

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Metal Pole
Northeast corner Octavia & Fell
Northeast and Southeast corners Haight & Fillmore
In front of 105 Fillmore
In front of 431 Fell
Southeast corner Broderick & Hayes
Northwest corner Masonic & Haight

Wood Pole
In front of 468 Fell
In Front of 500 Fillmore

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Here's the status of removing graffiti from the following public property locations:

**Utility Boxes:**
- SWC Divisadero & Grove: SR# 959468 (Abated 9-20-09)
- SEC Fell & Fillmore: SR# 959469 (Abated 9-20-09)
- NEC Steiner & Fulton: SR# 959460 (Abated 9-20-09)
- NWC Lyon & Haight: SR# 959461 (Abated 9-20-09)
- In front of 1213 Fell: SR# 959463 (Abated 9-20-09)
- NWC Golden Gate & Masonic: SR# 959464 (Abated 9-20-09)
- NWC Oak & Fillmore: SR# 959466 (Abated 9-20-09)

**Fire Hydrant:**
- SWC Buchanan & Haight: SR# 959467 (Abated 9-20-09)

**Emergency Boxes:**
- NEC Divisadero & Fell: SR# 959588 (Abated 9-20-09)
- SWC Fell & Fillmore: SR# 959459 (Abated 9-20-09)
- SEC Scott & Fulton: SR# 959470 (Abated 9-20-09)

Jonathan C. Vaing
SF-DPW Graffiti Unit

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Sent: Friday, September 18, 2009 2:00 PM
To: Vaing, Jonathan  
Cc: Nuru, Mohammed; Stringer, Larry  
Subject: FW: BOARD OF SUPERVISORS INQUIRY # 20090915-005

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Thank you!

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FILE NO.

Due Date: 10/17/2009

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Utility Boxes  
Southwest corner Divisadero & Grove  
Southeast corner Fell & Fillmore  
Northeast corner Steiner & Fulton  
Northwest corner Lyon & Haight  
In front of 1213 Fell  
Northwest corner Golden Gate & Masonic  
Northeast corner Oak & Fillmore

Fire Hydrant  
Southwest corner of Buchanan & Haight
Emergency Boxes
Northeast corner Divisadero & Fell
Southwest corner Fell & Fillmore
Southeast corner Scott & Fulton

Bus Shelters
In Front of 500 Fillmore
Southwest corner Hayes & Fillmore
Southwest corner Fillmore & Oak
Southeast corner Buena Vista West & Haight
Southwest corner Pierce & Haight
Southeast corner Buchanan & Haight
Fillmore and Haight (all 4 bus stops, graffiti and grime)

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the original via email to Board.of.Supervisors@sfgov.org and send a copy to
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Here's the status of removing graffiti from the following locations:

**Garbage Cans:**
- SEC Steiner & Haight: SR# 959471 (Abated 9-19-09)
- NEC Eddy & Scott: SR# 959472 (Abated 9-19-09)
- NEC Clayton & Hayes: SR# 959473 (Abated 9-19-09)
- SWC Buena Vista East & Haight: SR# 959474 (Abated 9-19-09)
- SWC Waller & Fillmore S: SR# 959475 (Abated 9-19-09)

**Mailbox:**
- SWC Oak & Webster: SR# 959476 (Abated 9-19-09)

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Sent: Friday, September 18, 2009 1:51 PM  
To: Vaing, Jonathan  
Cc: Nuru, Mohammed; Stringer, Larry  
Subject: FW: BOARD OF SUPERVISORS INQUIRY # 20090915-006  

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Southeast corner Steiner & Haight
Northeast corner Eddy & Scott
Northeast corner Clayton & Hayes
Southwest corner Buena Vista East & Haight
Southwest corner Waller & Fillmore

Mailbox
Southwest corner Oak & Webster

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Your response to this inquiry is requested by 10/17/2009
SAN FRANCISCO RELEASES FLAWED DRAFT EIR FOR CALAVERAS DAM REPLACEMENT PROJECT ON ALAMEDA CREEK

Impacts to Steelhead Trout and Other Wildlife not Adequately Addressed

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: October 7, 2009

CONTACT: Jeff Miller, Alameda Creek Alliance,

Sunol, CA – The San Francisco Planning Department this week released a flawed draft Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the San Francisco Public Utilities Commission (SFPUC) project to rebuild the seismically challenged Calaveras Dam in the upper Alameda Creek watershed. The Calaveras Dam project will have significant impacts on the restoration of threatened steelhead trout to Alameda Creek and on habitat for numerous other endangered species. The EIR analysis of impacts on native fish and wildlife is incomplete and the proposed mitigations are inadequate, particularly with respect to fisheries issues.

"Although we support rebuilding Calaveras Dam as quickly as possible, at issue is how the rebuilt dam and reservoir will be operated," said Jeff Miller, Director of the Alameda Creek Alliance. "Along with upgrading the aging water supply infrastructure, San Francisco’s water agency needs to be brought into the twenty-first century regarding compliance with modern environmental protections. San Francisco’s water system can and should be operated in a sustainable manner."

In 2008 the SFPUC approved a Programmatic EIR for the entire Water System Improvement Program, a $4 billion program of retrofits to San Francisco’s aging water system, which includes the Calaveras Dam replacement project, scheduled for completion by 2015. The SFPUC originally refused to consider the impacts of its three dams in the Alameda Creek watershed on steelhead, but has since changed their position. However, the draft project EIR inadequately evaluates steelhead impacts and proposes dam operations and minimum flow releases for fish inconsistent with restoring a sustainable run of steelhead below the dam.

"We are extremely disappointed with the draft EIR given the extensive communication and input regulatory agencies and our group have supplied the SFPUC regarding the project," said Miller. "The proposed flows for steelhead trout are clearly inadequate and the mitigations offered for significant construction impacts on sensitive species are meager and inappropriate. If San Francisco wants to rebuild this dam quickly, they need to do the right thing for the affected ecosystems downstream of the dam and release adequate water for fish."

"The SFPUC should adhere to their own watershed stewardship policy, comply with state and federal environmental laws, and leave enough water in the creek so that native fish and wildlife can thrive," said Miller. "The failure to provide reasonable flows below the dams and controversial proposals to divert even more water from Alameda Creek could unnecessarily jeopardize the schedule for water system upgrades."

Since steelhead trout in the Bay Area and central coast were listed as threatened under the Endangered Species Act in 1997, numerous organizations and agencies have been pursuing restoration projects to
allow migratory fish from the Bay to reach spawning habitat in upper Alameda Creek. Eleven fish passage projects at small and medium barriers in the creek have been completed since 2001 and several more major fish ladder and dam removal projects will be completed by 2012. This will allow anadromous fish access to 20 miles of suitable spawning and rearing habitat in the watershed for the first time in almost half a century.

Adult steelhead attempting to migrate upstream have been documented nearly every winter the past decade, blocked by barriers in lower Alameda Creek. The Alameda County Flood Control District and Alameda County Water District are working on a fish ladder project that will allow steelhead to bypass a cement barrier known as the BART weir and an adjacent inflatable water supply dam in the flood control channel, the main barriers to fish migration into Alameda Creek. The agencies are aiming to complete construction by 2010. ACWD recently installed five fish screens on their water diversion structures in lower Alameda Creek and removed a rubber diversion dam this summer. The SFPUC removed two dams from the Niles Canyon reach of Alameda Creek in 2006.

The SFPUC will need a federal permit for the Calaveras Dam project and had urged the Army Corps of Engineers to make a determination of “no effect” on steelhead trout and issue a permit without a formal consultation with federal regulators under the Endangered Species Act. In 2008 the National Marine Fisheries Service notified the agencies that formal consultation will be required for the project and rejected the “no impact on steelhead” determination.

More than 70 Bay Area conservation and fishing groups have called on the SFPUC to improve its stewardship of the Alameda Creek watershed and restore stream flows in Alameda Creek sufficient to sustain steelhead trout. In 2005 the SFPUC lobbied to eliminate Endangered Species Act protections for resident rainbow trout populations in Alameda Creek. In 2006 the SFPUC adopted a Water Enterprise Environmental Stewardship Policy which states the agency will "operate the...water system in a manner that protects and restores native fish and wildlife downstream of SFPUC dams and water diversions, within SFPUC reservoirs, and on SFPUC watershed lands."

The SFPUC manages 36,800 acres of public land and operates three dams in the upper Alameda Creek watershed. Calaveras Dam, completed in 1925, captures runoff from 100 square miles of the Calaveras Creek and Arroyo Hondo watersheds. The SFPUC diverts 88 percent of the stream flows of the upper watershed and plans to divert almost all winter and spring stream flows from upper Alameda Creek at their Alameda Diversion Dam, which diverts flows from upper Alameda Creek into Calaveras Reservoir. Completion of Calaveras Dam trapped formerly ocean-run steelhead trout above the reservoir and blocked fish migration into the best trout spawning and rearing habitat in the watershed. Because the dam is near an active fault zone and was determined to be vulnerable in a strong earthquake, the Division of Safety of Dams in 2001 restricted reservoir storage level to 40 percent of capacity until the dam is rebuilt.

The draft EIR can be viewed at http://www.sfgov.org/site/planning_index.asp?id=80530

The Alameda Creek Alliance (www.alamedacreek.org) is a community watershed group with over 1,750 members, dedicated to protecting and restoring the natural ecosystems of the Alameda Creek watershed. The ACA has been working to restore steelhead trout and protect endangered species in the Alameda Creek watershed since 1997.

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Jeff Miller
Director
Alameda Creek Alliance

Niles, CA 94536-0626
To BOS Constituent Mail Distribution,  
cc  
bcc  
Subject Fw: Wink & a Nod to Dangerous Practices within the S.F.F.D.

JAMES CORRIGAN  
10/09/2009 01:06 PM  
To board.of.supervisors@sfgov.org  
cc  
Subject Wink & a Nod to Dangerous Practices within the S.F.F.D.

66 Vasquez Ave.  
San Francisco, CA  
Oct. 9, 2009

Dear San Francisco Board of Supervisors:

WINK AND A NOD TO DANGEROUS PRACTICES WITHIN THE SFFD

Our S.F. Firefighters must eat everyday and it has always been the practice for them to shop at nearby supermarkets. However, a dangerous change has taken place since I retired from the SFFD.

The most basic principle of rapid response is that Companies remain within their First Alarm Assignment Areas.

However, the attractive pricing of the COSTCO warehouse at 10th & Bryant, is undermining that principle and will, by necessity of time and distance, cause slower responses to emergencies.

The only Fire Companies, in my day, that would be allowed to shop at COSTCO are Station 8; Station 7; and E 29, all First Alarm Companies.

Yet, I have seen Companies from Russian Hill, the Marina, and the Embarcadero all shopping there. Two weeks ago a fire engine from Post. St. (not due at COSTCO until a 3rd Alarm) dropped a firefighter off to shop and returned a half hour later to pick him up. Several times, I have witnessed Engine Companies leave one of the Firefighters behind to finish shopping as the Engine Co. responds, shorthanded.

On September 21, 2009 I wrote to the SFFD asking this question:  
"Under what circumstances should any other companies be shopping at Costco than the first alarm assignment of Stations 8 and 7 and Engine 29?"

On October 1, 2009 I asked Chief Hayes-White this question:  
"Could you please, briefly describe, why you think, if you do, it is essential for Companies to remain in their first alarm area to expedite response times?"

To date, the Fire Department has refused to answer these basic questions from a taxpayer.

Stay safe and "seconds" still do count, at least with you and me,

Jim Corrigan
Dear San Francisco Supervisors:

Engine # 36 stationed at 109 Oak St. and Engine # 3 located at 1067 Post St. are the first two Engine Companies due at San Francisco City Hall in case of a fire or emergency.

Both E 36 and E 3's stations are exactly .5 miles from City Hall.

However, due to lack of Fire Department oversight, these Companies routinely shop at COSTCO. I have seen both Companies shopping there simultaneously.

COSTCO is exactly 1.5 miles from San Francisco City Hall.

THE FUNDAMENTAL FIREFIGHTING PRINCIPLE I SPEAK TO IS, "EMERGENCY COMPANIES SHOULD NEVER LEAVE THEIR 1ST ALARM ASSIGNMENT AREA UNLESS ORDERED TO."

THUS: By violating that principle, E 3 who is shopping in its 3rd Alarm Assignment Area and E 36 who is shopping in its 2nd Alarm Assignment Area, create the exact same risks that the SFFD touts would happen if Firehouses were closed or "browned out." That danger, A MUCH SLOWER RESPONSE to City Hall or where ever they would be due in their First Alarm Assignment Area.

The poor judgement shown by Company officers, is compounded by the "winks and nods" given them by Senior Chiefs in the Fire Department.

On September 21, 2009 I wrote to the SFFD to answer a simple question. Their refusal to answer and define exactly which Emergency Companies are permitted to shop at COSTCO, is strong evidence of the "Winks and Nods" that jeopardize public safety in San Francisco.

My simple question was and remains:

Dear Deputy Chief Patrick Gardner:

"Under what circumstances should any other companies be shopping at Costco than the first alarm assignment of Stations 8 and 7 and Engine 29?"

It's 10:00 A.M. Do you know where the nearest fire engine that might save your life is shopping?

Jim Corrigan