

# Summary Form for Electronic Document Submittal

Form F

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**2019049058**

Project Title: CAL FIRE Potrero Station (#31) Relocation Project

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Project Location: Potrero, San Diego County

*City*

*County*

Project Description (Proposed actions, location, and/or consequences).

The Proposed Project would involve the relocation and replacement of the existing CAL FIRE Station located at 25130 CA-94, Potrero, California. The project involves design and construction of a new fire station and accompanying facilities. The facility would include a mess hall, 12 bed barracks, a three-bay apparatus building, and a pump storage building with a generator. Appurtenance facilities to be constructed on the new project site include a fuel dispensing system, fuel vault, vehicle wash rack, and a flammable material storage building. The Proposed Project would also include on-site improvements such as grading, drainage, paving, walkways, curbs, roads, well drilling and domestic water system with tank storage, septic system, electrical, telephone, irrigation, lighting, fencing, and landscaping.

The Proposed Project would include site preparation, utility extensions and connections, water well, pipelines and 10,000-gallon domestic water storage tank, a 50,000-gallon fire/water irrigation storage tank, septic system, above-ground vehicle fuel storage, propane tanks and lines, sustainable design onsite storm water management features and solar photovoltaic panels, security fencing, and all necessary appurtenances including driveways and interior roads. An overflow parking area is proposed in the southeastern corner of the complex to accommodate increased staff and equipment during a major fire event.

Identify the project's significant or potentially significant effects and briefly describe any proposed mitigation measures that would reduce or avoid that effect.

Potentially significant impacts to biological resources, cultural resources, geology and soils, transportation/traffic, and tribal cultural resources were identified in the Initial Study (IS). All impacts would be reduced to a less-than-significant level with the incorporation of mitigation measures.

Sensitive biological resources identified in the IS and their proposed mitigation measures are listed below.

Arroyo toad: Protocol-level surveys will be performed. If they are found present on the project site, a FWS Section 7 consultation will be initiated. A qualified biologist will be present for all ground disturbing activities, including installation and removal of temporary exclusion fencing to be installed around the project footprint. No nighttime work will occur and any holes or depressions will be covered at the end of the work day.

Quino checkerspot butterfly: A 10(a)(1)(A) permitted Quino checkerspot biologist shall conduct protocol level surveys. If they are found present on the project site, a FWS Section 7 consultation will be initiated. Temporary impact areas will be hydroseeded with a seed mixture of host plants.

Raptors and migratory birds: Vegetation clearing shall occur outside of the nesting bird season (February 1 through September 15). A preconstruction nesting bird survey of the entire project site and within 300' of the site shall occur within one to seven days prior to the commencement of construction. If active nests are found, a no-disturbance buffer around the nest(s) shall be established.

Burrowing owl : A qualified biologist shall conduct four breeding season burrowing owl surveys. (CONTINUED)

If applicable, describe any of the project's areas of controversy known to the Lead Agency, including issues raised by agencies and the public.

N/A

Provide a list of the responsible or trustee agencies for the project.

Project Proponent: State of California Department of General Services (DGS)



Map Date: 10/1/2018  
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**Figure 1. Project Location**

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(CONTINUED) If burrowing owls or active burrows are located, a qualified biologist in consultation with CDFW will develop a burrowing owl exclusion plan following the methods listed in the CDFW's Staff Report on Burrowing Owl Mitigation (CDFW 2012).

**Special Status Plants:** Focused special-status plant surveys shall be conducted prior to project implementation. If special-status plants are found within the project area, they shall be avoided to the extent possible. If special-status plants are found within the disturbance area and cannot be avoided, then additional conservation measures, such as seed collection, may need to be implemented based on coordination or consultation with the County, USFWS, or CDFW.

**Jurisdictional waters:** A formal jurisdictional delineation shall be performed to determine the extent of the drainages, connectivity with Potrero Creek (if any), and the associated acreages (if any) that fall under federal and state jurisdiction. Regulatory permitting shall be performed in compliance with the CWA and the California Fish and Game Code and would require permits from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW), and Region Regional Water Quality Control Board (RWQCB) before any development could commence. Project specific mitigation for impacts to features jurisdictional to state and federal agencies will be determined during the wetland permitting process.

Mitigation measures to avoid sensitive cultural resources identified in the IS are listed below:

A qualified archaeologist and native American (Campo) monitor, if interested, shall conduct full-time monitoring of all ground disturbing activities that occur during the construction of the Proposed Project. A specific protocol (see MND Cultural Resources Section or Measures CUL-1 and CUL-2) shall be enacted if tribal or cultural resources are discovered. A cultural resources awareness training program will be provided to all construction personnel active on the project site during earth moving activities.

Mitigation measures to avoid potentially significant impacts related to Geology and Soils are listed below:

The Proposed Project shall incorporate the recommendations of a project site specific geotechnical investigation as a part of Project implementation. The investigation shall include an evaluation of groundwater depth and quality, liquefaction potential and its associative impacts, site percolation, the potential for radon/radionuclides, and the presence of potentially expansive soils. In the event that any fossil materials are encountered during ground-disturbing project-related activities, all activities must be suspended in the vicinity of the find. A paleontologist shall be obtained and empowered to halt or divert ground-disturbing activities. A plan for monitoring and fossil recovery must be completed and implemented before ground-disturbing activities can recommence in the area of the fossil find to allow for the recovery of the find.

Mitigation measures to avoid significant impacts related to Transportation are listed below:

Prior to the issuance of an encroachment permit, the California Department of General Services Real Estate Services Division (or its contractor) shall prepare a Traffic Control Plan to ensure access and traffic flow along Round Potrero Road is maintained during construction. The Traffic Control Plan shall be approved by the County of San Diego prior to any lane closures.



**Map Features**  
Project Boundary - 5.98 acres

North Arrow  
Feet  
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