



## Notice of Exemption

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From: The Trustees of the California State  
University  
401 Golden Shore  
Long Beach, CA 90802

Project Title	Marina Community Partners Stormwater Detention Basins
Project Applicant	California State University, Monterey Bay (CSUMB)
Location - Specific	Basin #1: North of Inter-Garrison Rd, Between Building 82 and Building 84, APN: 031101006000 Basin #2: Southeast corner of 2 <sup>nd</sup> Ave and 5 <sup>th</sup> St, APN: 031101006000
Location - City	City of Marina
Location - County	Monterey County

## Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project

The project involves the construction of two stormwater detention basins to allow the disconnection of offsite stormwater infrastructure and to enable on-site retention and infiltration of stormwater. Basin #1 will be constructed north of Inter-Garrison Road, between Building 84 (Mountain Hall) and Building 82 (Valley Hall). Basin #2 will be sited on the southeast corner of 5th Street and 2nd Avenue. The project will disturb a total of 2 acres through excavation and grading, resulting in the removal of 24,300 cubic yards of soil.

During the project, vehicles and equipment will access the Basin #1 construction site via 4th Avenue through the parking lot behind Building 82 (Valley Hall). Access to the Basin #2 construction site will be from the existing roadways of 2nd Avenue and 5th Street. All construction equipment will be staged within the fenced construction site.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project:

The Trustees of The California State University

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project:

Cal State University Monterey Bay

Exempt Status (check one):

☐ Ministerial

☐ Declared Emergency

☐ Emergency Project

☒ Categorical Exemption.

Section 15303 (New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures),

Section 15304 (Minor Alterations to Land)

Section 15314 (Minor Additions to Schools),

Section 15061 (Common Sense Exemption)

☐ Statutory Exemptions

☒ Common Sense Exemption

Reasons why the project is exempt:

- Section 15303 (d): The proposed project involves the construction of stormwater drainage extensions to connect the basins. These connections fall under the type of utility work specified in Section 15303 (d) as they include the installation of necessary infrastructure improvements of reasonable length to serve the new construction. This activity qualifies as a Class 3 exemption because it consists of new, small utility facilities designed to support the project without significant environmental impact.
- Section 15304 (a): The proposed project involves minor alterations to land with a slope of less than 10 percent. This qualifies for a Class 4 exemption because it involves minor alterations to land that do not take place on land with slopes greater than 10 percent, on land in a waterway, wetland, scenic area, or geologic hazard zone. The project will not remove any healthy, mature, scenic trees and will not result in significant environmental impacts.
- Section 15314. The proposed project meets each of the conditions set forth in CEQA Guidelines section 15314, Minor Additions to Schools, and, therefore, is exempt from CEQA:
  - (a) The project includes minor additions to the campus within existing grounds.
  - (b) The proposed project would not increase student FTE capacity; no increase in student enrollment is proposed as part of the Project.
- Section 15061 (b)(3): The activity is covered by the common-sense exemption that CEQA applies only to projects which have the potential for causing a significant effect

on the environment. Where it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment, the activity is not subject to CEQA.

- Biological Resources: The results of a biological field investigation conducted on June 12, 2024, identified the presence of the Monterey spineflower, a federally threatened species. In accordance with the mitigation measures outlined in the Campus Master Plan EIR, the Monterey spineflower will be relocated to a suitable on-site location to ensure its protection.

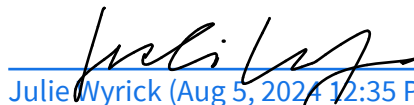
The proposed project would not result in significant construction- or operation-related impacts to biological resources. This conclusion is supported by the detailed analysis provided in Appendix B of the report by Denise Duffy & Associates, Inc., titled "Dunes Phase 3 – Detention Basins at CSUMB – Botanical Survey Results."

- Under CEQA Guidelines section 15061(b)(2), Review for Exemption (14 CCR Sec. 15061(b)(2)), the project is exempt pursuant to the above-named categorical exemptions and the application of the categorical exemptions is not barred by one of the exceptions set forth in Section 15300.2.
  - The proposed project would not have a significant effect on the environment due to unusual circumstances; would not result in damage to scenic resources within a Scenic Highway; is not located on a hazardous waste site pursuant to Sec. 65962.5 of the Government Code; would not cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a historical resource; and would not result in cumulative impacts.

Lead Agency Contact Person: Julie Wyrick, CSUMB Director of Campus Planning and Development

Area Code/Telephone/Email: 831.582.5219/ jwyrick@csumb.edu

Signature:

  
Julie Wyrick (Aug 5, 2024 12:35 PDT)

☒ Signed by Lead Agency ☐ Signed by Applicant

Authority cited: Public Resources Code Section 21083 and 21110, Public Resources code.

Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.

Appendices

Appendix A Project Site Map

Appendix B *Denise Duffy & Associates, Inc. Planning and Environmental Consulting - Monterey Spineflower Relocation Area for the CSUMB Detention Basins at the Dunes on Monterey Bay Project, Phase 3, Dated August 2, 2024*

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Appendix A  
Project Site Map

APPLICANT/DEVELOPER MARINA COMMUNITY PARTNERS, LLC  
110 10TH STREET  
MARINA, CA 93933  
(831)384-1018

CIVIL ENGINEER                      WHITSON ENGINEERS  
6 HARRIS COURT  
MONTEREY, CA 93940

ANDREW HUNTER, RCE 67730  
(831) 649-5225

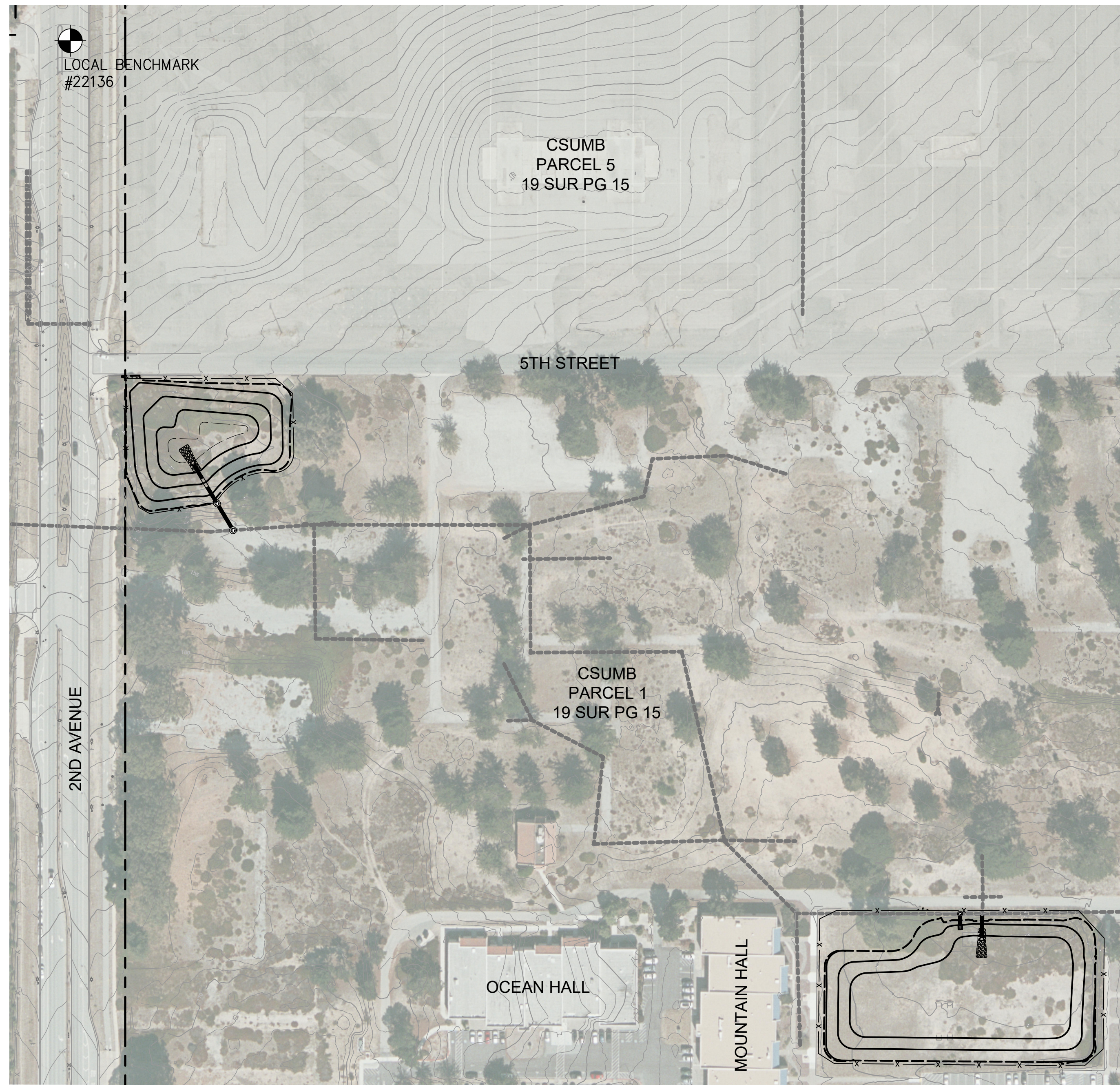
GEOTECHNICAL ENGINEER      BERLOGAR STEVENS & ASSOCIATES  
1220 QUARRY LANE, SUITE C  
PLEASANTON, CA 94566  
(925)484-0220

1. SURVEY CONTROL IS BASED ON PROPAGATION OF AN EXISTING CONTROL NETWORK PREVIOUSLY ESTABLISHED FOR PAST PHASES OF THE DUNES ON MONTEREY BAY PROJECT. HORIZONTAL CONTROL UTILIZES A GROUND-BASED COORDINATE SYSTEM BASED ON THE CALIFORNIA COORDINATE SYSTEM, NAD 83 ZONE IV. GRID COORDINATES HAVE BEEN SCALED TO GROUND BY APPLYING AN AVERAGE COMBINED SCALE FACTOR OF 1.00006928. BEARINGS ARE GRID BEARINGS PER THE CALIFORNIA COORDINATE SYSTEM, NAD83 ZONE IV.

2. ELEVATIONS ARE RELATIVE TO THE NORTH AMERICAN VERTICAL DATUM OF 1988 (NAVD88), AS VERIFIED IN OCTOBER OF 2019 BASED ON SURVEYED TIES TO THE FOLLOWING BENCHMARKS AS PUBLISHED BY THE NATIONAL GEODETIC SURVEY (NGS):

NGS PID	DESIGNATION	PUBLISHED ELEVATION	MEASURED ELEVATION	Δ
GU3210	G 1320	71.08'	71.06'	0.02'
GU2130	L 813 RESET	145.94'	145.97'	-0.03'

3. AN ESTABLISHED NAVD88 ELEVATION OF 128.39' FOR A BRASS DISC STAMPED RCE 29811 IN A MONUMENT WELL IN THE CENTERLINE OF 2ND AVENUE, DESIGNATED POINT #22136, SHOWN HEREON, IS THE LOCAL SITE BENCHMARK



SCALE: 1"=100'

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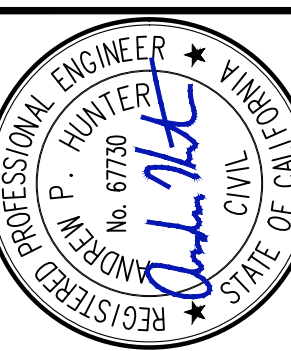
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DESCRIPTION	PROPOSED	EXISTING
PROPERTY		---
CENTER LINE	—	---
EASEMENT LINE	—	---
HINGE LINE/TOP SLOPE	---	---
TOE SLOPE	---	---
SAWCUT LIMIT	---	---
GUTTER FLOWLINE	— ··· —	---
EARTH DITCH	→ ··· —	---
CURB AND GUTTER		
SIDEWALK		
DRIVEWAY CURB CUT		
DOMESTIC WATER MAIN		— W —
SANITARY SEWER		— SS —
STORM DRAIN		
STORM MANHOLE		
STANDARD CURB INLET		
STORM DRAIN RISER		
STORM DRAIN OUTFALL PROTECTION		

AB	AGGREGATE BASE
AC	ASPHALT CONCRETE
BC	BUBBLER
BEG	BEGINNING OF CURVE
BEG	BEGIN
BFP	BLOW FLOW PREVENTER
BOW, BW	BLOW OFF VALVE
CA	CAD OF WALK
CBW	COMMERCIAL
CC	CABLE TELEVISION
CG	CATCH BASIN
CG&S	CURB, GUTTER & SIDEWALK
CL	CENTERLINE
CO	CLEAN OUT
CONC	CONCRETE
CR	CROWN
DI	DROP INLET/DITCH INLET
DW	DRIVEWAY LIP
DL	DRIVEWAY
END	END OF CURVE
EM	EASEMENT
EP	EDGE OF PAVEMENT
EX	END OF RETURN
EX, EXIST, (E)	EXISTING
FC	FUTURE
FC	FACE OF CURB
FF	FINISH FLOOR
FG	FINISH GRADE
FH	FIRE HYDRANT
FL	FLOW LINE
FNC	FENCE
FUT	FUTURE
GB	GRADE BREAK
GF	GARAGE FINISH FLOOR
GL	GARAGE PAD
GP	GARAGE PAD
GND	GROUND
GR	GRATE
HGL	HYDRAULIC GRADE LINE
HL	HINGE LINE
HP	HIGH POINT
IJUF	INGRESS, EGRESS & UTILITY

<u>SHEET</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>
1	COVER SHEET
2	NOTES
3	STORM DRAIN STRUCTURE SCHEDULE & DETAILS
4	EXISTING CONDITIONS MAP
5	BASIN #1 PLAN
6	BASIN #2 PLAN
7	EROSION AND SEDIMENT CONTROL PLAN

WDID No.: 3 27C344980  
RISK LEVEL: 2



1	7/26/2024	GRADING & IMPROVEMENT PLANS
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# OFFSITE STORMWATER BASINS GRADING & IMPROVEMENT PLANS

SCALE: 1" = 20'

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Appendix B  
Monterey Spineflower Relocation Memo



## DENISE DUFFY & ASSOCIATES, INC.

PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONSULTING

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**Date:** August 2, 2024

**To:** Doug McArdle, Community Development Manager  
Shea Homes – Marina Community Partners

**CC:** Curt Honodel, Land Development Project Manager  
Shea Homes – Marina Community Partners

**From:** Patric Krabacher, Senior Environmental Scientist  
Denise Duffy & Associates, Inc.

**SUBJECT: Monterey Spineflower Relocation Area for the CSUMB Detention Basins at the Dunes on Monterey Bay Project, Phase 3**

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Denise Duffy & Associates, Inc. (DD&A) was contracted by Shea Homes for environmental consulting services at two (2) proposed detention basins associated with the Dunes Phase 3 Project (project or proposed project). In coordination with Shea Homes and Whitson Engineers (project engineer), DD&A approved an area proposed within the project to have sufficient habitat to relocate the Monterey spineflower (*Chorizanthe pungens* var. *pungens*) populations identified during the focused botanical surveys (**Attachment A**), more information about the focused botanical surveys can be found in the *Dunes Phase 3 – Detentions Basins at CSUMB – Botanical Survey Results*. DD&A determined that the proposed relocation area has suitable habitat for Monterey spineflower to propagate. Recommended Topsoil Salvage and Installation includes the following Mitigation Action:

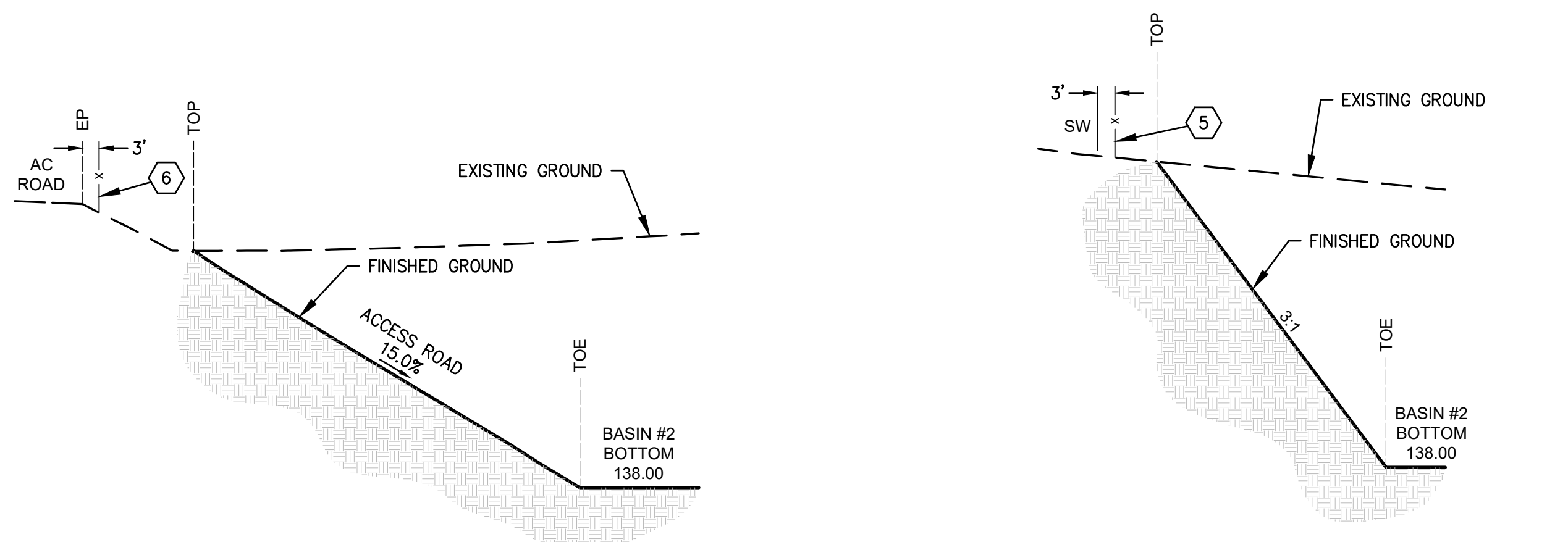
Prior to construction, DD&A will delineate the topsoil salvage area where soil is to be conserved. The top six (6) to eight (8) inches of topsoil within the topsoil salvage area shall be preserved, transported, and installed within the proposed relocation area. The project biologist shall be onsite when topsoil is preserved from the project site and shall supervise and map the placement of the soil within the proposed relocation area. If the topsoil pile is not installed before the end of the workday and must be stored within the project site, salvaged soil shall be placed on and covered with a tarp or plastic sheeting.

If you have any questions or comments, do not hesitate to contact me at (831) 373-4341 ext. 29 or at [pkrabacher@ddaplaning.com](mailto:pkrabacher@ddaplaning.com).

Sincerely,

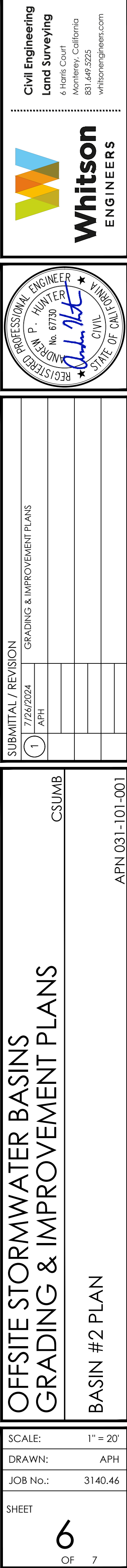
Patric Krabacher, Senior Environmental Scientist  
DENISE DUFFY & ASSOCIATES, INC.

Attachment A.  
CSUMB Detention Basin with Proposed Relocation Area



**B** SECTION B-B  
SCALE: HORIZ 1" = 20' / VERT 1" = 5'

- ## 1 OUTFALL PROFILE
- SCALE: HORIZ 1" = 20' / VERT 1" = 5'








# Stormwater Basin NOE

Final Audit Report

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