

Summary Form for Electronic Document Submittal

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SCH #: _____

Project Title: Olive Avenue Widening Project

Lead Agency: City of Novato

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Project Location: Novato, Marin County

City

County

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

The City of Novato is proposing to improve and widen Olive Avenue between Redwood Boulevard and Railroad Avenue to accommodate a center turn lane to relieve traffic along the north side of the roadway, add bike lanes and sidewalks to improve public safety, rehabilitate the existing pavement along Olive Avenue, improve sight distance approaching the railroad crossing, and place existing overhead utilities underground. The Project would also replace 660 feet of stormwater drainage facilities and an existing culvert along Olive Avenue to help alleviate localized flooding and convey storm flows during 25- and 100-year storm events. As mitigation for the project's impacts to Olive Ditch, a jurisdictional aquatic resource, the project would also restore a section of riparian habitat along Pacheco Creek. This work would consist primarily of trash removal, weed management, and planting of native riparian species.

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

The IS/MND has identified potentially significant effects that could result from the Project related to biological resources (impacts to special-status wildlife species and jurisdictional waters), cultural resources and tribal cultural resources (unknown archaeological resources and human remains), hydrology and water quality (stormwater runoff during construction, alteration of drainage patterns, inundation in a flood zone risking pollutant release during construction), and transportation (road closure impacts on emergency access). All impacts would be mitigated to a less-than-significant level with the implementation of mitigation measures including preconstruction nesting bird surveys, preconstruction bat roost assessments, off-site habitat enhancement, site runoff measures, cultural resources testing and monitoring plan, compliance with Public Resource Code Section 5097, stormwater pollution control best management practices, and a traffic control plan.

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

No areas of controversy are known to the Lead Agency.

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

California Air Resources Board, Caltrans District 4, California Department of Fish and Wildlife Region 3, Native American Heritage Commission, Office of Historic Preservation, Regional Water Quality Control Board #2, State Water Resources Control Board Division of Water Quality.