

Summary Form for Electronic Document Submittal

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SCH #: _____

Project Title: San Francisco Bay Trail Richmond Gap Closure - Point Pinole to Wilson Point

Lead Agency: East Bay Regional Park District

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Project Location: Richmond, Contra Costa County

City

County

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

The East Bay Regional Park District (District) proposes to open approximately 1 mile of the San Francisco Bay Trail (Bay Trail) along the San Pablo Bay shoreline and UPRR right-of-way between the eastern boundary of Point Pinole Regional Shoreline to Point Wilson at the Pinole Shores Park in Contra Costa County, California (project). The Bay Trail is a planned and partially completed 500-mile multi-use trail connecting the shorelines of all nine San Francisco Bay Area counties and encircling San Pablo and San Francisco bays. More than 350 miles of the trail are currently completed and open for public use. The proposed project would close a gap between existing segments of the Bay Trail in the Point Pinole Regional Shoreline and Point Wilson at the Pinole Shores Park.

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 and mitigation measures include, but are not limited to:

1. Air quality - limit idling to 5 min.; limit vehicle speeds on dirt roads to 15mph; cover all haul trucks; water exposed surfaces
2. Biological - Pre-construction bio and botanical surveys; biomonitoring; avoid special status species or develop Rare Plant Mitigation Plan; in-stream/wetland disturbances shall be done in the dry season; SWPPP will be obtained; work limited to daylight hours; buffers will be marked around species to avoid; no plastic mono-filament netting will be used; all work will stop if special status species is encountered until biologist clears site or consults with appropriate agency
3. Cultural resources - Prior to construction the District shall prepare and implement an archaeological testing plan for exploratory subsurface archaeological investigation in the moderate to high sensitivity areas; if deposits of pre-contact or historical archaeological materials are encountered during project activities, the project archaeologist shall assess and consult with appropriate agencies
4. Geology/soils - Design-Level Geotechnical Exploration for proposed trail improvements hazards & hazardous materials, palentology training for all construction personnel
5. Hazards/haz mats - Site management plan for handling any haz mats will be prepared.
6. Hydrology/water quality - SWPPP, bridge abutments will be outside of top of bank of Garrity Creek
7. Tribal cultural resources - Tribal monitoring in sensitive areas, pre-con archeological testing, habitat mitigation 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.

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

California Dept. of Fish and Wildlife, Region 3
Regional Water Quality Control Board, Region 2
Cal Trans, District 4
Bay Conservation Development Commission