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SCH # 2026070760

Project Title: Arastradero Creek Restoration and Pipeline Relocation

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City: Palo Alto | Zip: 94303 | County: Santa Clara

Project Location: County: Santa Clara | City/Nearest Community: Palo Alto

Cross Streets: Arastradero Creek Trail, Paseo de Roble Trail, Juan Bautista de Anza Trail | Zip Code: 94303

Longitude/Latitude (degrees, minutes and seconds): 37 ° 22 ′ 48.1 ″ N / 122 ° 10 ′ 39.4 ″ W Total Acres: 9.95

Assessor's Parcel No.: 182-33-018, 182-35-035, 182-35-041 | Section: 6S | Twp.: 6S | Range: 3W | Base: MDM

Within 2 Miles: State Hwy #: Route 280 | Waterways: Arastradero Creek, Arastradero Lake

Airports: N/A | Railways: N/A | Schools: Corte Madera, Woodside Priory, Ormondale Elementary, Woodland School

Document Type:

CEQA: ☐ NOP ☐ Early Cons ☐ Neg Dec ☒ Mit Neg Dec ☐ Draft EIR ☐ Supplement/Subsequent EIR (Prior SCH No.) ☐ Other:

NEPA: ☐ NOI ☐ EA ☐ Draft EIS ☐ FONSI

Other: ☐ Joint Document ☐ Final Document ☐ Other:

Local Action Type:

☐ General Plan Update ☐ General Plan Amendment ☐ General Plan Element ☐ Community Plan
☐ Specific Plan ☐ Master Plan ☐ Planned Unit Development ☐ Site Plan
☐ Rezone ☐ Prezone ☐ Use Permit ☐ Land Division (Subdivision, etc.)
☐ Annexation ☐ Redevelopment ☐ Coastal Permit ☒ Other: Parks Improvement Ordinance

Development Type:

☐ Residential: Units ____ Acres ____
☐ Office: Sq.ft. ____ Acres ____ Employees ____
☐ Commercial: Sq.ft. ____ Acres ____ Employees ____
☐ Industrial: Sq.ft. ____ Acres ____ Employees ____
☐ Educational:
☐ Recreational:
☐ Water Facilities: Type ____ MGD ____
☐ Transportation: Type
☐ Mining: Mineral
☐ Power: Type ____ MW ____
☐ Waste Treatment: Type ____ MGD ____
☐ Hazardous Waste: Type
☒ Other: Creek restoration, utility relocation

Project Issues Discussed in Document:

☒ Aesthetic/Visual ☒ Agricultural Land ☒ Air Quality ☒ Archeological/Historical ☒ Biological Resources ☐ Coastal Zone ☒ Drainage/Absorption ☐ Economic/Jobs
☐ Fiscal ☒ Flood Plain/Flooding ☒ Forest Land/Fire Hazard ☒ Geologic/Seismic ☒ Minerals ☒ Noise ☒ Population/Housing Balance ☒ Public Services/Facilities
☒ Recreation/Parks ☒ Schools/Universities ☒ Septic Systems ☒ Sewer Capacity ☒ Soil Erosion/Compaction/Grading ☒ Solid Waste ☒ Toxic/Hazardous ☒ Traffic/Circulation
☒ Vegetation ☒ Water Quality ☒ Water Supply/Groundwater ☒ Wetland/Riparian ☐ Growth Inducement ☒ Land Use ☒ Cumulative Effects ☐ Other:

Present Land Use/Zoning/General Plan Designation:

General Plan Designation: Public Conservation Land; Zoning District: Public Facility (PF(D))

Project Description: *(please use a separate page if necessary)*

In March 2023, the City was informed of an exposed eight-inch diameter steel gas pipeline in the Arastradero Creek in the Pearson-Arastradero Preserve. The City received approval from the United States Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) under an emergency permit to conduct a temporary creek stabilization project to protect the gas pipeline from damage caused by future storms. As part of the project, the City installed a combination of cobbles and boulder revetments in the eroded channel bed to protect the gas pipeline and prevent the upstream potable water transmission and sewer pipelines from being exposed. The San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board (RWQCB) is requiring the City to address a six-foot headcut that resulted in the need for the emergency repair and remove all temporary fill placed under the USACE emergency permit. Therefore, the purpose of the Project is to comply with the RWQCB's permit conditions by restoring a portion of Arastradero Creek and relocating the existing water and wastewater utilities in Arastradero Trail and the gas utility further underneath the creek. In addition, downstream of the emergency repair would be treated with woody material to encourage natural processes to deposit sediment, widen the incised sections of creek, and prevent further potential for headcut formation. The Project also proposes minor grading to Arastradero Trail, which runs along the left bank of the creek, to return functionality to an existing culvert, reducing sedimentation into the creek, and improve trail conditions.

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X	Air Resources Board		Office of Historic Preservation
	Boating & Waterways, Department of		Office of Public School Construction
	California Emergency Management Agency		Parks & Recreation, Department of
	California Highway Patrol		Pesticide Regulation, Department of
X	Caltrans District # 4	X	Public Utilities Commission
	Caltrans Division of Aeronautics	X	Regional WQCB # 2
	Caltrans Planning		Resources Agency
	Central Valley Flood Protection Board		Resources Recycling and Recovery, Department of
	Coachella Valley Mtns. Conservancy		S.F. Bay Conservation & Development Comm.
	Coastal Commission		San Gabriel & Lower L.A. Rivers & Mtns. Conservancy
	Colorado River Board		San Joaquin River Conservancy
	Conservation, Department of		Santa Monica Mtns. Conservancy
	Corrections, Department of		State Lands Commission
	Delta Protection Commission		SWRCB: Clean Water Grants
	Education, Department of	X	SWRCB: Water Quality
	Energy Commission		SWRCB: Water Rights
X	Fish & Game Region # 3		Tahoe Regional Planning Agency
	Food & Agriculture, Department of		Toxic Substances Control, Department of
	Forestry and Fire Protection, Department of		Water Resources, Department of
	General Services, Department of		
	Health Services, Department of		Other:
	Housing & Community Development		Other:
X	Native American Heritage Commission		

Local Public Review Period (to be filled in by lead agency)

Starting Date July 22, 2026 Ending Date August 21, 2026

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