## NOTICE OF INTENT TO CONSIDER ADOPTION OF A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION

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**Project Name:** 

**Americana Park Bypass Channel** 

Date:

January 9, 2017

Notice is hereby given that the City of Pittsburg finds that no significant effect on the environment, as prescribed by the California Environmental Quality Act of 1970 (CEQA), as amended, will occur for the following proposed project:

- 1. <u>Project Proponent</u>: City of Pittsburg, 65 Civic Avenue, Pittsburg, CA 94565; Phone: 925-252-4015
- 2. <u>Project Description</u>: The proposed project would divert Americana Park detention basin overflows into a proposed bypass channel, conveying storm flows eastward across a PG&E utility corridor, emptying into the tributary to Willow Creek. The existing Americana Park detention basin has insufficient capacity, which results in the flooding of North Parkside Drive on a nearly annual basis. The length of the proposed earthen channel would be approximately 780 ft. from the edge of the detention basin, located in the northeast parcel of the Americana subdivision, to the end of the proposed RCP at the existing tributary to Willow Creek channel along the easterly boundary of the PG&E parcel.
- 3. <u>Project Location</u>: The project site consists of a utility corridor owned by Pacific Gas & Electric Company (PG&E) and is located between North Parkside Drive on the north and Power Avenue the south, to the north of State Route 4 (SR4), and identified as Contra Costa County Assessor's Parcel Number 086-010-023.
- 4. <u>Findings</u>: The project described above will not have a significant effect on the environment for the reasons stated below.

<u>Potentially Significant Impacts</u>: The Initial Study prepared for the project identified potentially significant, project-related impacts in the category of Air Quality, Biological Resources, and Hydrology and Water Quality. However, no significant effects upon the environment would occur as a result of this project because mitigation measures identified in the Initial Study would be incorporated as conditions of approval of the project, if approved, in order to reduce the potentially significant impacts of the project to a less than significant level.

Other: Impacts resulting from this project were found to be less than significant in the areas of Aesthetics, Agriculture and Forest Resources, Cultural Resources, Geology/Soils, Greenhouse Gases, Hazards and Hazardous Materials, Land Use/Planning, Mineral Resources, Noise, Population/Housing, Public Services, Recreation, Transportation/Traffic, Utilities/Service Systems, and Mandatory Findings of Significance.

- 5. <u>Initial Study</u>: The Initial Study, proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration, and project plans may be reviewed during normal business hours at the City of Pittsburg Planning Division, located at 65 Civic Avenue, Pittsburg, CA 94565, or on the City's website via the Environmental Review page at http://www.ci.pittsburg.ca.us/index.aspx?page=217. As noted in the Initial Study, background or reference materials related to the Initial Study can be reviewed upon request to the City of Pittsburg Planning Division.
- 6. <u>Public Review</u>: The public comment period for this environmental determination will begin on January 9, 2017. Anyone who wishes to comment on the findings of this environmental analysis must submit these comments in writing to Jordan Davis, Associate Planner with the Planning Division, at the address noted above, by email to jdavis@ci.pittsburg.ca.us, or by fax to (925) 252-4015. **Comments must be received by 5:00 p.m. on February 10, 2017**.
- 7. <u>Notice of Intent to Adopt a Negative Declaration</u>: Notice is hereby given that the Pittsburg City Council intends to conduct a public hearing to consider the adoption of this proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration at a regularly scheduled meeting of the Pittsburgh City Council on a date to be determined.

This proposed Negative Declaration does not signify approval or disapproval of this project by City decision-making bodies. The City Council will consider the proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration together with any comments received during the public review process to determine whether the project will have a significant impact on the environment.

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