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SCH #: _____

Project Title: Orange Memorial Park Water Capture Project

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Project Location: South San Francisco, San Mateo County
City County

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

The proposed Project is located along Colma Creek within the southern half of Orange Memorial Park, a 28-acre public park located at 1 West Orange Avenue, in the City of South San Francisco, California. The San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board has identified Colma Creek as an "impaired" water body that requires water quality improvements associated with Polychlorinated Biphenyl's (PCBs), mercury, and trash reductions. The Project would include construction and operation of a water capture facility that would reduce trash discharges and pollutant discharges of PCBs and mercury to San Francisco Bay. The Project would be entirely confined within the Park, which supports a range of recreational facilities including two ballfields. The limits of the proposed Project water capture facilities would extend approximately 1,000 feet from the upstream and western end of Colma Creek to the southeast corner of the Park near the two ballfields located along West Orange Avenue. The Project would involve diversion of water from the Colma Creek channel through various pretreatment chambers leading to an underground stormwater storage reservoir in the southeastern corner of Orange Memorial Park. A portion of the storage would function as a cistern holding water for eventual non-potable irrigation use in and around Orange Memorial Park, and the remainder would function as a groundwater infiltration chamber. These storage facilities would be constructed underneath a portion of two existing ballfields. When storage capacity is exceeded, treated overflow would be discharged back into the channel. This regional Project would have multiple benefits in addition to water quality improvements, including reducing localized flooding and reusing treated water for irrigation and groundwater recharge.

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

Based on the IS and proposed mitigation, the proposed Project would not result in significant environmental impacts.
Biological Resources: The project could potentially impact nesting birds and downstream fish species. The City shall prepare a Biological Avoidance and Minimization Plan that includes a Worker's Environmental Awareness Training Program, pre-construction surveys, non-disturbance buffer zones, and monitoring.
Cultural Resources: Unanticipated archaeological resources or human remains could be discovered during excavation activities. If any unexpected cultural resources are encountered during construction, all such work shall be temporarily halted until assessment by a qualified archaeologist and the San Mateo County Coroner.
Geology / Soils: The Project site is located in a seismically active region. All earthwork and construction activities shall be monitored by a licensed engineer or professional geologist to assess soil conditions and confirm the appropriate engineered support systems are incorporated into the project design.
Hazards/Hazardous Materials: The Project site contains organochlorine pesticides and arsenic levels in the underlying soils. Prior to construction, a contractor shall develop a Hazardous Materials Contingency Plan that includes a Waste Management Plan and Site Mitigation Plan to minimize construction worker's exposure to hazardous dust emissions.
Noise: Noise levels during construction would exceed criteria identified in South San Francisco Municipal Code Section 112.05 (60 dBA in residential zones) and ambient noise levels of the area (Q-M2-1 zone are assumed to be 70 dBA). The City would require the contractor to implement noise minimization measures (securing valid city permit, use of best available noise control techniques, notification of tenants) to ensure noise levels remain below the noise thresholds.
Traffic/Transportation: Construction activities may affect access on Memorial Drive during certain periods of the day. Minor traffic control would ensure traffic flows are maintained and local streets are accessible.

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

Temporary removal of two existing ballfields, removal of heritage trees along Colma Creek, noise nuisances

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

City of South San Francisco
San Mateo County Flood Control District
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board
State Historic Preservation Office
California Department of Fish and Wildlife

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