

Notice of Determination

To: Office of Planning and Research
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County of Sonoma
585 Fiscal Drive, Room 103
Santa Rosa, CA 95403

From: Sonoma County Water Agency
404 Aviation Blvd.
Santa Rosa, CA 95403

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Subject: Filing of Notice of Determination in compliance with Section 21108 or 21152 of the Public Resources Code.

Project Title: Vortex Tube Rehabilitation Project

State Clearinghouse Number (if submitted): 2020080522

Project Location (include county): The project is located on Santa Rosa Creek where it flows beneath Montgomery Drive, approximately 4 miles east of downtown Santa Rosa and approximately 3/4 mile east of Spring Lake Regional Park in Sonoma County.

Project Description: The Vortex Tube is part of the Santa Rosa Creek Diversion Structure, a concrete flood control facility constructed in 1963 as part of the Central Sonoma Watershed Project to reduce flooding in downtown Santa Rosa. A concrete culvert beneath Montgomery Drive, known as the Vortex Tube, regulates peak winter floods in Santa Rosa Creek. The Vortex Tube has been damaged by abrasion during high flows. The purpose of the project is to extend the useful life of the Vortex Tube by restoring its structural integrity.

The repair of the Vortex Tube would be implemented in two phases: 1) construct a permanent Bypass Pipe beneath Montgomery Drive to temporarily direct creek flows around the Vortex Tube, and 2) dewater and repair the damaged Vortex Tube. The project would not change the function or expand the capacity of the structure to regulate flooding.

This is to advise that the Sonoma County Water Agency, Lead Agency Responsible Agency, has approved the above described project on November 17, 2020, and has made the following determinations regarding the above described project:

1. The project [will will not] have a significant effect on the environment.
2. An Environmental Impact Report was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
 A Negative Declaration was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
3. Mitigation measures [were were not] made a condition of the approval of the project.
4. A mitigation reporting or monitoring plan [was was not] adopted for this project.
5. A statement of Overriding Considerations [was was not] adopted for this project.
6. Findings [were were not] made pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.

This is to certify that the mitigated negative declaration is on file at Sonoma County Water Agency's administrative office at 404 Aviation Blvd., Santa Rosa, CA 95403.


Signature

General Manager
Title

11.17.20
Date

Date received for filing and posting at OPR: