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**CITY OF RICHMOND
30-DAY NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY
OF DRAFT MITIGATED NEGATIVE
DECLARATION**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Richmond has prepared a draft Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration for environmental review of the following described project in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) of 1970, as amended, and the City of Richmond's Guidelines and Procedures for Implementation of CEQA.

Project Title	Point Molate Beach Shoreline Restoration Project
Project Applicant	City of Richmond Public Works Department
Project Location	Point Molate Beach Park at Stenmark Drive, Richmond, CA
Assessor Parcel No.	561-400-008, 561-100-008, and 561-080-006.
Lead Agency	City of Richmond

The City has identified the need to restore actively eroding portions of the shoreline at Point Molate Beach Park. Continual coastal wave and tidal action is causing a loss of park area; the coastal erosion is more prominent and severe at the north end of Beach Park, where the bluff is higher. Severe undercutting is present near the broken culvert located near the northern end of the project area. The erosion is also threatening the alignment of the approved San Francisco Bay Trail (Bay Trail). Left unchecked, this erosion will continue to encroach upon the Bay Trail route, park facilities, trees, cultural resources, and open space. To protect existing recreational facilities and transportation infrastructure located along the shoreline, revetments are required to support coastal-dependent uses (public beaches, the bike/pedestrian trail, and shoreline public park).

The Point Molate Beach Park Shoreline Restoration Project therefore proposes to address the bluff erosion and culvert failure by constructing a 300 foot revetment along the beach bluff and replacing a failed 12-inch by 30-foot iron pipe with a 15-inch by 60-foot reinforced concrete culvert. The project would also complete an 80-foot section of the San Francisco Bay Trail along this section of the bluff.

The proposed project meets requirements under California Coastal Act Section 30235, which states that shoreline-protective structures shall be permitted if: (1) there is an existing structure; (2) the existing structure is in danger from erosion; (3) shoreline altering construction is required to protect the existing threatened structure; and (4) the required protection is designed to eliminate or mitigate the adverse impacts on shoreline sand supply.

The basis for proposing a Mitigated Negative Declaration is the finding that although the proposed project could have a significant effect on the environment, there will not be a significant effect in this case because the City has hereby agreed to implement each of the

identified mitigation measures, which would be adopted as part of the Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program.

Review and Comment Period: Comments on the MND shall be sent in writing and must be received by **5:00 p.m. on November 9, 2020**, at the following address or email:

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Report Availability: A copy of the MND is available for review online at www.ci.richmond.ca.us/pmshorelinerestoration

Start of Public Review: October 8, 2020

End of Public Review: November 9, 2020