

CULTURAL RECORDS SEARCH, NATIVE AMERICAN HERITAGE
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ATTACHMENT B

to the
580 Dubuque Avenue Project Initial Study / Mitigated Negative Declaration



August 22, 2021

NWIC File No.: 21-0249

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Re: Record search results for the proposed 580 Dubuque Avenue Project in the City of South San Francisco, CA.

Dear Ms. Rebecca Auld:

Per your request received by our office on the 12th of August, 2021, a rapid response records search was conducted for the above referenced project by reviewing pertinent Northwest Information Center (NWIC) base maps that reference cultural resources records and reports, historic-period maps, and literature for San Mateo County. Please note that use of the term cultural resources includes both archaeological resources and historical buildings and/or structures.

As per information received by this office, the 1.89- acre project site was formerly used for industrial purposes but is currently vacant. The site includes Assessor's Parcel Number 015-021-998. The project proposes to construct approximately 295,000 square feet of research & development/office space adjacent to the recently relocated South San Francisco Caltrain station. The project will involve excavation for subsurface parking and removal of contaminated soil extending to depths of about 48 to 60 feet below ground surface.

Review of this information indicates that there have been five cultural resource studies that in total cover approximately 100% of the 580 Dubuque Avenue project area (see enclosed report listing). This 580 Dubuque Avenue project area contains no recorded archaeological resources. The State Office of Historic Preservation Built Environment Resources Directory (OHP BERD), which includes listings of the California Register of Historical Resources, California State Historical Landmarks, California State Points of Historical Interest, and the National Register of Historic Places, lists no recorded buildings or structures within the proposed 580 Dubuque Avenue project area,

although there is one recorded property adjacent to the project area on Dubuque Avenue, the South San Francisco Freight Spur and Loading Platform (OTIS # 521430). This resource has a status code of 6Y, meaning this property was determined ineligible for the National Register by consensus through Section 106 process, Not evaluated for the California Register or local listing. In addition to these inventories, the NWIC base maps show no recorded buildings or structures within the proposed 580 Dubuque Avenue project area.

At the time of Euroamerican contact the Native Americans that lived in the area were speakers of the Ramaytush language, part of the Costanoan/Ohlone language family (Levy 1978: 485). There are Native American resources in the general area of the proposed 580 Dubuque Avenue project area referenced in the ethnographic literature (Levy 1976, Nelson 1909). Using Milliken's study of various mission records, the proposed project area is located within the lands of the Urebure tribe, whose territory was located "in the San Bruno Creek area just south of San Bruno Mountain on the San Francisco Peninsula. (Milliken 1995: 258-9).

Based on an evaluation of the environmental setting and features associated with known sites, Native American resources in this part of San Mateo County have been found in areas marginal to the San Francisco Bay shore and inland in valleys, near intermittent and perennial watercourses and near areas populated by oak, buckeye, manzanita, and pine, as well as near a variety of plant and animal resources. The 580 Dubuque Avenue project area is located west of Point San Bruno, approximately 40 meters west of the historic San Francisco Bay shore margins. Given the similarity of these environmental factors and the ethnographic sensitivity of the area, there is a moderate to high potential for unrecorded Native American resources to be within the proposed 580 Dubuque Avenue project area.

Review of historical literature and maps indicated the possibility of historic-period activity within the 580 Dubuque Avenue project area. Early San Mateo County maps indicated the project area was located within the South San Francisco Land and Improvements Co., Abattoire (Bromfield 1894). In addition, the 1915 San Mateo USGS 15-minute topographic quadrangle indicated a portion of railroad spur within and adjacent to the project area. With this in mind, there is a moderate to high potential for unrecorded historic-period archaeological resources to be within the proposed 580 Dubuque Avenue project area.

The 1956 photo revised 1980 San Francisco South USGS 7.5-minute depicts a railroad spur within and adjacent to the 580 Dubuque Avenue project area. If present, this unrecorded structure meets the Office of Historic Preservation's minimum age standard that buildings, structures, and objects 45 years or older may be of historical value.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1) There is a moderate to high potential of identifying Native American archaeological resources and a moderate to high potential of identifying historic-period archaeological resources in the project area. Although previous studies included field survey of the project area, the 580 Dubuque Avenue project will involve excavation for subsurface parking and removal of contaminated soil extending to depths of about 48 to 60 feet below ground surface. Therefore, we recommend a qualified archaeologist conduct further archival and field study to identify possible buried cultural resources, and provided project specific recommendations. Field study may include, but is not limited to, pedestrian survey, hand auger sampling, shovel test units, or geoarchaeological analyses as well as other common methods used to identify the presence of archaeological resources. Please refer to the list of consultants who meet the Secretary of Interior's Standards at <http://www.chrisinfo.org>.

2) We recommend the lead agency contact the local Native American tribe(s) regarding traditional, cultural, and religious heritage values. For a complete listing of tribes in the vicinity of the project, please contact the Native American Heritage Commission at 916/373-3710.

3) The proposed 580 Dubuque Avenue project area is located adjacent to, and may contain a portion of one recorded structure, the South San Francisco Freight Spur and Loading Platform (OTIS # 521430), with a status code of 6Y, that is included in the OHP BERD. Therefore, prior to commencement of project activities, it is recommended that this resource be assessed by a professional familiar with the architecture and history of San Mateo County. Please refer to the list of consultants who meet the Secretary of Interior's Standards at <http://www.chrisinfo.org>.

4) Review for possible historic-period buildings or structures has included only those sources listed in the attached bibliography and should not be considered comprehensive.

5) If archaeological resources are encountered **during construction**, work should be temporarily halted in the vicinity of the discovered materials and workers should avoid altering the materials and their context until a qualified professional archaeologist has evaluated the situation and provided appropriate recommendations. **Project personnel should not collect cultural resources.** Native American resources include chert or obsidian flakes, projectile points, mortars, and pestles; and dark friable soil containing shell and bone dietary debris, heat-affected rock, or human burials. Historic-period resources include stone or adobe foundations or walls; structures and remains with square nails; and refuse deposits or bottle dumps, often located in old wells or privies.

6) It is recommended that any identified cultural resources be recorded on DPR 523 historic resource recordation forms, available online from the Office of Historic Preservation's website: https://ohp.parks.ca.gov/?page_id=28351

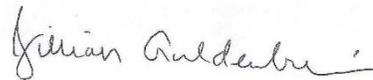
Due to processing delays and other factors, not all of the historical resource reports and resource records that have been submitted to the Office of Historic Preservation are available via this records search. Additional information may be available through the federal, state, and local agencies that produced or paid for historical resource management work in the search area. Additionally, Native American tribes have historical resource information not in the California Historical Resources Information System (CHRIS) Inventory, and you should contact the California Native American Heritage Commission for information on local/regional tribal contacts.

The California Office of Historic Preservation (OHP) contracts with the California Historical Resources Information System's (CHRIS) regional Information Centers (ICs) to maintain information in the CHRIS inventory and make it available to local, state, and federal agencies, cultural resource professionals, Native American tribes, researchers, and the public. Recommendations made by IC coordinators or their staff regarding the interpretation and application of this information are advisory only. Such recommendations do not necessarily represent the evaluation or opinion of the State

Historic Preservation Officer in carrying out the OHP's regulatory authority under federal and state law.

Thank you for using our services. Please contact this office if you have any questions, (707) 588-8455.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jillian Guldenbrein". The signature is written in black ink on a white background.

Jillian Guldenbrein
Researcher

LITERATURE REVIEWED

In addition to archaeological maps and site records on file at the Northwest Information Center of the Historical Resources Information System, the following literature was reviewed:

Brabb, Earl E., Fred A. Taylor, and George P. Miller

1982 *Geologic, Scenic, and Historic Points of Interest in San Mateo County, California*. Miscellaneous Investigations Series, Map I-1257-B, 1:62,500. Department of the Interior, United States Geological Survey, Washington, D.C.

Bromfield, Davenport

1894 Official Map of San Mateo County, California

General Land Office

1858, 1864 Survey Plat for Rancho Buri Buri, Township 3 South/Range 5 West.

Heizer, Robert F., editor

1974 *Local History Studies*, Vol. 18., "The Costanoan Indians." California History Center, DeAnza College, Cupertino, CA.

Helley, E.J., K.R. Lajoie, W.E. Spangle, and M.L. Blair

1979 *Flatland Deposits of the San Francisco Bay Region - Their Geology and Engineering Properties, and Their Importance to Comprehensive Planning*. Geological Survey Professional Paper 943. United States Geological Survey and Department of Housing and Urban Development.

Kroeber, A.L.

1925 *Handbook of the Indians of California*. Bureau of American Ethnology, Bulletin 78, Smithsonian Institution, Washington, D.C. (Reprint by Dover Publications, Inc., New York, 1976)

Levy, Richard

1978 Costanoan. In *California*, edited by Robert F. Heizer, pp. 485-495. Handbook of North American Indians, vol. 8, William C. Sturtevant, general editor. Smithsonian Institution, Washington, D.C.

Milliken, Randall

1995 *A Time of Little Choice: The Disintegration of Tribal Culture in the San Francisco Bay Area 1769-1810*. Ballena Press Anthropological Papers No. 43, Menlo Park, CA.

Nelson, N.C.

1909 *Shellmounds of the San Francisco Bay Region*. University of California Publications in American Archaeology and Ethnology 7(4):309-356. Berkeley. (Reprint by Kraus Reprint Corporation, New York, 1964)

Nichols, Donald R., and Nancy A. Wright

1971 Preliminary Map of Historic Margins of Marshland, San Francisco Bay, California. U.S. Geological Survey Open File Map. U.S. Department of the Interior, Geological Survey in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Washington, D.C.

San Mateo County Historic Resources Advisory Board

1984 *San Mateo County: Its History and Heritage*. Second Edition. Division of Planning and Development Department of Environmental Management.

State of California Department of Parks and Recreation

1976 *California Inventory of Historic Resources*. State of California Department of Parks and Recreation, Sacramento.

State of California Office of Historic Preservation **

2020 *Built Environment Resources Directory*. Listing by City (through March 3, 2020). State of California Office of Historic Preservation, Sacramento.

**Note that the Office of Historic Preservation's *Historic Properties Directory* includes National Register, State Registered Landmarks, California Points of Historical Interest, and the California Register of Historical Resources as well as Certified Local Government surveys that have undergone Section 106 review.

Report List

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Report No.	Other IDs	Year	Author(s)	Title	Affiliation
S-029657	OHP PRN - FTA021021A; Voided - S-37863; Voided - S-42672; Voided - S-43525	2002	Wendy J. Nelson, Tammara Norton, Larry Chiea, and Reinhard Pribish	Archaeological Inventory for the Caltrain Electrification Program Alternative in San Francisco, San Mateo, and Santa Clara Counties, California	Far Western Anthropological Research Group, Inc.
S-029657a		2002	Rand F. Herbert	Finding of No Adverse Effect, Caltrain Electrification Program, San Francisco, San Mateo, and Santa Clara Counties, California	JRP Historical Consulting Services
S-029657b		2002		Historic Property Survey for the Proposed Caltrain Electrification Program, San Francisco, San Mateo, and Santa Clara Counties, California	Parsons; JRP Historical Consulting Services; Far Western Anthropological Research Group, Inc.
S-029657c		2002	Knox Mellon	FTA021021A; Caltrain Electrification Program, San Francisco, San Mateo, and Santa Clara Counties	Office of Historic Preservation
S-029657d		2003	Meta Bunse	Final Finding of Effect Amendment, Caltrain Electrification Project, San Francisco, San Mateo, and Santa Clara Counties, California	JRP Historical Consulting Services

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S-029657e		2001	Rand F. Herbert	Draft Finding of No Adverse Effect, Caltrain Electrification Program, San Francisco, San Mateo, and Santa Clara Counties, California	JRP Historical Consulting Services
S-029657f		2008	Sharon A. Waechter, Jack Meyer, and Laura Leach-Palm	Cultural Resources Addendum for the Caltrain Electrification Program Alternative: San Francisco, San Mateo, and Santa Clara Counties, California	Far Western Anthropological Research Group, Inc.
S-029657g		2008	Meta Bunse	Addendum Finding of Effect, Caltrain Electrification Program, San Francisco to San Jose (MP 0.0 to 52.0); San Francisco, San Mateo, and Santa Clara Counties, California	JRP Historical Consulting, LLC
S-029657h		2002		Inventory and Evaluation of Historic Resources, Caltrain Electrification Program, San Francisco to Gilroy (MP 0.0 to 77.4) (Draft)	JRP Historical Consulting Services
S-030760		2005	Laura Leach-Palm and Brian F. Byrd	Archaeological Inventory for the South San Francisco Four-Tracking and New Station Project, Caltrain Peninsula Corridor Line, San Mateo County, California; From North of Tunnel Avenue in Brisbane, MP 6.1, to Colma Creek in San Bruno, MP 9.72	Far Western Anthropological Research Group, Inc.
S-031824	OHP PRN - FTA040913A	2006		Peninsula Corridor Joint Powers Board, South San Francisco Station and Track Work Project; Brisbane and South San Francisco, San Mateo County, California; Caltrans Mile Posts: 06.10 to 10.60	JRP Historical Consulting
S-031824a		2006	Laura Leach-Palm and Brian F. Byrd	Archaeological Inventory for the South San Francisco Station and Track Work Project, Caltrain Peninsular Corridor Line, San Mateo County, California, From North of Tunnel Avenue in Brisbane, MP 6.1., to Scott Street in San Bruno, MP 10.6	Far Western Anthropological Research Group, Inc.
S-031824b		2007	Milford Wayne Donaldson	Finding of Effect (No Adverse Effect), South San Francisco Station and Track Work Project, San Mateo County, California Section 106 Consultation [Section 106 Consultation (Rncl.02) on the South San Francisco Station and Track Work Project, San Mateo County,	California Office of Historic Preservation

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Report No.	Other IDs	Year	Author(s)	Title	Affiliation
S-036747	OHP PRN - FTA021021A	2006	Rand Herbert, Christopher Morris, and Cynthia Toffelier	Finding of No Adverse Effect for the Peninsula Corridor Joint Powers Board, South San Francisco Station and Track Work Project, Brisbane, South San Francisco and San Bruno, San Mateo County, California, Caltrain Mile Posts: 06.10 to 10.60	JRP Historical Consulting
S-036747a		2002	Knox Mellon	FTA021021A; Caltrain Electification Program, San Francisco, San Mateo, and Santa Clara	California Office of Historic Preservation
S-036747b		2006	Milford Wayne Donaldson	FTA021021A; Caltrain Electification Program, San Francisco, San Mateo, and Santa Clara	California Office of Historic Preservation

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S-048738		2011	Denise Jurich and Amber Grady	California High-Speed Train Project, Environmental Impact Report/Environmental Impact Statement, San Francisco to San Jose Section, Archaeological Survey Report, Technical Report [Draft]	PBS&J

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S-048738a		2011	Amber Grady and Richard Brandi	California High-Speed Train Project, Environmental Impact Report/Environmental Impact Statement, San Francisco to San Jose Section, Historic Architectural Survey Report, Technical Report [Draft]	PBS&J

NATIVE AMERICAN HERITAGE COMMISSION

October 22, 2021

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Re: Native American Tribal Consultation, Pursuant to the Assembly Bill 52 (AB 52), Amendments to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) (Chapter 532, Statutes of 2014), Public Resources Code Sections 5097.94 (m), 21073, 21074, 21080.3.1, 21080.3.2, 21082.3, 21083.09, 21084.2 and 21084.3, 580 Dubuque Ave. Project, San Mateo County.

Dear Ms. Auld:

Pursuant to Public Resources Code section 21080.3.1 (c), attached is a consultation list of tribes that are traditionally and culturally affiliated with the geographic area of the above-listed project. Please note that the intent of the AB 52 amendments to CEQA is to avoid and/or mitigate impacts to tribal cultural resources, (Pub. Resources Code §21084.3 (a)) ("Public agencies shall, when feasible, avoid damaging effects to any tribal cultural resource.")

Public Resources Code sections 21080.3.1 and 21084.3(c) require CEQA lead agencies to consult with California Native American tribes that have requested notice from such agencies of proposed projects in the geographic area that are traditionally and culturally affiliated with the tribes on projects for which a Notice of Preparation or Notice of Negative Declaration or Mitigated Negative Declaration has been filed on or after July 1, 2015. Specifically, Public Resources Code section 21080.3.1 (d) provides:

Within 14 days of determining that an application for a project is complete or a decision by a public agency to undertake a project, the lead agency shall provide formal notification to the designated contact of, or a tribal representative of, traditionally and culturally affiliated California Native American tribes that have requested notice, which shall be accomplished by means of at least one written notification that includes a brief description of the proposed project and its location, the lead agency contact information, and a notification that the California Native American tribe has 30 days to request consultation pursuant to this section.

The AB 52 amendments to CEQA law does not preclude initiating consultation with the tribes that are culturally and traditionally affiliated within your jurisdiction prior to receiving requests for notification of projects in the tribe's areas of traditional and cultural affiliation. The Native American Heritage Commission (NAHC) recommends, but does not require, early consultation as a best practice to ensure that lead agencies receive sufficient information about cultural resources in a project area to avoid damaging effects to tribal cultural resources.

The NAHC also recommends, but does not require that agencies should also include with their notification letters, information regarding any cultural resources assessment that has been completed on the area of potential effect (APE), such as:

1. The results of any record search that may have been conducted at an Information Center of the California Historical Resources Information System (CHRIS), including, but not limited to:



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- A listing of any and all known cultural resources that have already been recorded on or adjacent to the APE, such as known archaeological sites;
- Copies of any and all cultural resource records and study reports that may have been provided by the Information Center as part of the records search response;
- Whether the records search indicates a low, moderate, or high probability that unrecorded cultural resources are located in the APE; and
- If a survey is recommended by the Information Center to determine whether previously unrecorded cultural resources are present.

2. The results of any archaeological inventory survey that was conducted, including:

- Any report that may contain site forms, site significance, and suggested mitigation measures.

All information regarding site locations, Native American human remains, and associated funerary objects should be in a separate confidential addendum, and not be made available for public disclosure in accordance with Government Code section 6254.10.

3. The result of any Sacred Lands File (SLF) check conducted through the Native American Heritage Commission was negative.

4. Any ethnographic studies conducted for any area including all or part of the APE; and

5. Any geotechnical reports regarding all or part of the APE.

Lead agencies should be aware that records maintained by the NAHC and CHRIS are not exhaustive and a negative response to these searches does not preclude the existence of a tribal cultural resource. A tribe may be the only source of information regarding the existence of a tribal cultural resource.

This information will aid tribes in determining whether to request formal consultation. In the event that they do, having the information beforehand will help to facilitate the consultation process.

If you receive notification of change of addresses and phone numbers from tribes, please notify the NAHC. With your assistance, we can assure that our consultation list remains current.

If you have any questions, please contact me at my email address: Katy.Sanchez@nahc.ca.gov.

Sincerely,



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