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1-MEN-20-1.828
Raw Water Line Replacement
SCH# 2022030742

Ms. Diane O'Connor
Public Works Department
City of Fort Bragg
1416 North Franklin Street
Fort Bragg, CA 95437

Dear Ms. O'Connor:



Thank you for giving Caltrans the opportunity to comment on the Mitigated Negative Declaration for the proposed City of Fort Bragg's raw water line replacement project. The proposal proposes to replace major portions of the City's main raw water supply pipeline that are reaching the end of their service life. Segment 4 of the water supply pipeline crosses Caltrans Route 20 right-of-way at Dwyer Lane, 1-MEN-20-PM 1.828. We have the following comments:

Open trenching across State routes is prohibited. A casing will be required for the transverse crossing. The crossing must meet the utility depth requirement of 42 inches below the finished grade, as described in the Caltrans Project Development Procedures Manual (PDPM) Chapter 17: <<https://dot.ca.gov/-/media/dot-media/programs/design/documents/pdpm-chapter17-a11y.pdf>>.

An encroachment permit will be required to perform the transverse crossing. Permits issued to the City of Fort Bragg are fee exempt, but a double permit will be required, which does require a fee from the City's contractor.

As part of the application package, requirements in Chapter 600 (603.6A) of the Encroachment Permits Manual (EPM) must be submitted, depending on what installation method is proposed. Chapter 600 of the EPM can be found here: <<https://dot.ca.gov/-/media/dot-media/programs/traffic-operations/documents/encroachment-permits/chapter-6-ada-a11y.pdf>>.

To streamline the process, we require the applicant arrange and participate in a pre-submittal meeting with the Caltrans encroachment permits staff in Ukiah, prior to submitting a permit application. For more information or to request an encroachment

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permit, please contact the Ukiah permits office at 707-463-4743, and refer to the following website: <<https://dot.ca.gov/programs/traffic-operations/ep>>.

A decision for a performance bond and bond amount will be determined upon application submittal. The deposit required for the double permit application will be 10 hours based on this fee schedule: <<https://dot.ca.gov/-/media/dot-media/programs/traffic-operations/documents/encroachment-permits/hourly-rate-flyer-a11y.pdf>>.

Please contact me with questions or for further assistance at: (707) 684-6879 or by email at: <jesse.robertson@dot.ca.gov>.

Sincerely,

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