

**NOTICE OF DETERMINATION**

Santa Clara Valley Water District  
 5750 Almaden Expressway  
 San Jose, CA 95118  
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Office of Planning and Research  
 1400 Tenth Street, Room 121  
 Sacramento, CA 95818

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 San Jose CA 95110

Subject:

*Filing of Notice of Determination in compliance with Section 21108 or 21152 of the Public Resource Code.*

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<b>Project Title:</b> Freedom Bridge Removal Project		
<b>Project Applicant:</b> Intel Corporation 2200 Mission College Boulevard Santa Clara CA, 95054		
<b>Project Location:</b> The project is located on San Tomas Aquino Creek in the City of Santa Clara, between Mission College Boulevard and Highway 101.		
<b>Project Description:</b> The Freedom Bridge Removal Project involves removal of an existing pedestrian bridge across San Tomas Aquino Creek and associated structures. Project implementation would occur in two phases: Phase I, which includes the removal of the existing bridge structure and Phase II, which includes the removal of bridge abutments and associated re-grading and re-paving of the San Tomas Aquino Creek Trail and the Valley Water levee maintenance road in the vicinity of the abutments. Freedom Bridge is an approximately 125-foot-long steel beam span bridge resting on concrete abutments built on constructed levee slopes. The paved San Tomas Aquino Creek Trail is located on the western side of the bridge, and a Valley Water levee maintenance road is located on the eastern side.		

This is to advise that the Santa Clara Valley Water District (Valley Water), acting as a [ Lead Agency  Responsible Agency], has approved the above described project on August 25, 2022, 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 Mitigated 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 program [ 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 provision of CEQA.

This is to certify that the final Mitigated Negative Declaration with comments and responses and record of project approval is available to the General Public at:

Valley Water  
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Signature (Public Agency):  DocuSigned by: <i>Yvonne Arroyo</i> A2B4E606C20C440...	Title:  Permit Authority/ Community Projects Review Manager	Date:  8/25/2022
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Date Received for Filing and Posting at OPR: