

Appendix D

Non-Confidential CHRIS Search



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File Number:

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Reference (project name or number, title of study, and street address if applicable):

County: USGS 7.5' Quad:

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January 11, 2022

NWIC File No.: 21-0980

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Re: Record search results for the proposed 469 Piercy Road Project, City of San Jose

Dear Prathna Maharaj:

Per your request received by our office on the 3rd of January, 2022, 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 Santa Clara County. Please note that use of the term cultural resources includes both archaeological resources and historical buildings and/or structures.

As per information provided to this office, the proposed project includes the construction of a speculative warehouse facility up to 132,166 square-feet (sf) located at 469 Piercy Road (APN: 678-93-039 & -040). The Project site comprises approximately 5.93-acre Project site and is currently developed with an approximately 6,939 sf structure and contains grassy-ruderal vegetation types on the remainder of the site. Surrounding land uses include vacant land designated for industrial use to the north, and industrial land uses to the south, east, and west.

The proposed development would contain approximately 127,166 sf of warehouse space and 5,000 sf of office space. The proposed structure would be approximately 41 feet and 7-inches in height and would include 18 loading dock doors for delivery and service trucks. The proposed project also includes surface parking with 92 automobile spaces on site. Project construction work would consist of grading and site preparation, excavation, shoring, erection of new structures and all interior and exterior components. All construction would occur within the parcels' boundaries. Excavation for new building foundations could occur as deep as 5 feet below existing grade for site grading activities. The project site is relatively flat.

Review of this information indicates that there have been six cultural resource studies that in total cover approximately 100% of the 469 Piercy Road project area. See enclose Report Listing. This 469 Piercy Road project area contains no recorded archaeological resources, however, there is one informally recorded resource within and adjacent to the proposed project area, C-839, described as a well developed midden, or Native American habitation area. Informal Resources are those resources not recorded on DPR 523A primary record forms and not submitted in CHRIS standard format to an IC by OHP.

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 or adjacent to the proposed 469 Piercy Road project area. In addition to these inventories, the NWIC base maps show one recorded area of buildings and structures within the proposed 469 Piercy Road project area, P-43-002752.

At the time of Euroamerican contact the Native Americans that lived in the area were speakers of the Tamyen language, part of the Costanoan/Ohlone language family (Levy 1978:485). Using Milliken's study of various mission records, the proposed project area is located within the upper drainage of the Guadalupe River and central portion of Coyote Creek in the Santa Clara Valley, from downtown San Jose south to New Almaden, was held by an unnamed tribe. The village designated "San Juan Bautista" in the Mission Santa Clara vital records was probably the northernmost village of the tribe. (Milliken 1995: 252).

Based on an evaluation of the environmental setting and features associated with known sites, Native American resources in this part of Santa Clara County have been found on ridges, midslope benches, 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 469 Piercy Road project area is located near the hill to valley interface approximately one quarter mile southwest of New North American Mines, near the Evergreen Canal and approximately 0.2 miles North of Coyote Creek. Given the similarity of these environmental factors and the ethnographic and archaeological sensitivity of the area, there is a high potential for unrecorded Native American resources to be within the proposed 469 Piercy Road project area.

Review of historical literature and maps indicated of the possibility of historic-period activity within the 469 Piercy Road project area. Early Santa Clara County maps indicated the project area was located within the lands of J.C. Piercy. As there are no buildings indicated on the maps, it is unclear if this land was developed at this time. With this in mind, there is a moderate potential for unrecorded historic-period archaeological resources to be within the proposed 469 Piercy Road project area.

The 1961 photo revised 1980 San Jose East USGS 7.5-minute topographic quadrangle depicts four buildings and structures within the 469 Piercy Road project area. If present, these unrecorded buildings or structures meet 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 are no recorded archaeological resources in the proposed 469 Piercy Road project area. There is, however, one informally recorded resource within and adjacent to the proposed project area, C-839, described as a well developed midden, or Native American habitation area. The recommendations from the newest report that includes the project area (Clark 2018) are:

The Project Area according to the records search is entirely contained in an informally recorded prehistoric site with characteristics of long term habitation, which, if accurate, would contain important data, very likely human burials, and would qualify as a historic resource under CEQA criteria, and be eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places, the California Register of Historic Resources, and the City of San Jose Historical Resources Inventory. The site was noted and described in a 1980s report but has not been reported or mentioned in subsequent reports covering the location and vicinity. However, the site location as mapped at the NWIC is clear and includes this Project Area. The property should be subjected to an intensive archaeological surface reconnaissance first, and then, because many sites in this area are buried or obscured by recent land uses, should be tested below the surface for the presence of prehistoric archaeological resources.

Subsurface archaeological reconnaissance using mechanical means is recommended for the Project Area parcels prior to construction impacts. The most efficient, cost-effective approach would be to use a backhoe before or after demolition of the extant surface features (buildings and pavement) so the entire property could be tested and samples would be large and informative enough to demonstrate whether the informally prehistoric site is present and if so to give indications of its condition and help evaluate

whether it is a historic resource under CEQA and relevant historic register/inventory procedures.

If indications of archaeological resources are found via subsurface reconnaissance, a more thorough testing and evaluation program should be devised and completed based on the nature of the potential resources encountered. Both prehistoric and historic resources could be found, so evaluative measures would need to address those different types of resources with appropriate methods. Testing and evaluation may be able to both provide evaluative data and provide for initial mitigation of adverse impacts if necessary; additional mitigation measures, if any, would be proposed after testing and evaluation of any resources found.

It is recommended that a professional archaeologist assess the resource and provide project-specific recommendations. 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 469 Piercy Road project area contains recorded buildings and structures combined as one resource, P-43-002752. These recorded buildings are not included in the OHP BERD dated 3/3/2020; 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 Santa Clara 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.

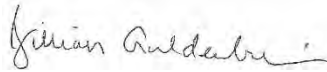
6) It is recommended that any identified cultural resources be recorded on DPR 523 historic resource recordation forms, available online from the Office of Historic Preservation's website: https://ohp.parks.ca.gov/?page_id=28351

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 black ink, appearing to read "Jillian Guldenbrein". The signature is written in a cursive style with a horizontal line at the end.

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:

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.

Santa Clara County Historical Heritage Commission

1979 Heritage Resource Inventory: Santa Clara County. Santa Clara County Planning Department, San Jose, CA. (Reprint 1999).

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 Department of Parks and Recreation and Office of Historic Preservation

1988 *Five Views: An Ethnic Sites Survey for California*. State of California Department of Parks and Recreation and Office of Historic Preservation, 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.

Thompson & West

1876 Historical Atlas Map of Santa Clara County, California. Thompson & West, San Francisco, CA. (Reprint by Smith & McKay Printing Company, San Jose, CA 1973).

**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

NWIC File # 21-0980 469 Piercy Road Project

Report No.	Other IDs	Year	Author(s)	Title	Affiliation
S-004546	Voided - E-426 SCL	1978	G. S. Breschini, R. Edwards, T. Haversat, C. Detlefs, G. A. Laffey, and M. Fazio	Hellyer Avenue South: An Intensive Cultural Resource Reconnaissance for the Proposed Industrial Park South of Hellyer Avenue Along Coyote Creek, San Jose, California	The Gavilan Foundation
S-004546a		1978	Gary S. Breschini and Trudy Haversat	Research Design and Budget for an Intensive Archaeological Surface Reconnaissance East of Hellyer Avenue and Ford Roads, San Jose, Santa Clara County, California	The Gavilan Foundation
S-004827	Voided - E-717 SCL	1979	Dorothea J. Theodoratus, Richard D. Ambro, Billy J. Peck, Michael Crist, C. Bruce Hanson, Clinton M. Blount, Ruth M. Begell, Albert M. Hurtado, and Pamela J. McGuire	Cultural Resources Evaluation: Edenvale Redevelopment Project Area Expansion	Theodoratus Cultural Research
S-024940		2000	Stuart Guedon	Archaeological Evaluation Report, Edenvale Business Park (APN 678-14-042), City of San Jose, Santa Clara County, California	Basin Research Associates
S-024989		2001	Stuart Guedon	Archaeological Evaluation Report, 459-469 Piercy Road (APN 678-14-02 and -02), City of San Jose, Santa Clara County, California	Basin Research Associates
S-024990		2001	Ward Hill	Historic Evaluation Report 459-469 Piercy Road, City of San Jose, Santa Clara County	Basin Research Associates, Inc.
S-053680		2018	Matthew R. Clark	Cultural Resources Literature Search and Archaeological Sensitivity Evaluation for the Piercy Road Hotels Project Area at 459 and 469 Piercy Road, City of San Jose, Santa Clara County, California	Holman & Associates