

Summary Form for Electronic Document Submittal

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SCH #: _____

Project Title: New Aquatic and Community Center at Heather Farm Park Project

Lead Agency: City of Walnut Creek

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Project Location: Walnut Creek, Contra Costa County

City

County

Project Description (Proposed actions, location, and/or consequences).

The approximately 4.7-acre project site is generally situated in the center and southern portion of Heather Farm Park in the City of Walnut Creek, Contra Costa County. The City of Walnut Creek (City) proposes to demolish the existing Heather Farm Community Center, construct a new Aquatic/Community Center and implement other associated parking and site improvements (e.g., landscaping, pathways, modifications to the existing concrete pond). Following construction of the new Aquatic/Community Center, the City would demolish the existing Clarke Memorial Swim Center. The proposed Aquatic/Community Center would be 27,023 square feet in size and single-story (approximately 30 feet) in height with event and multipurpose spaces, classrooms, locker rooms, offices, a conference room, and a kitchen. Two pools would be located between North San Carlos Drive and the proposed building. A pool mechanical building and a park storage building would also be constructed near the southeast corner of the project site. The proposed project would also include outdoor improvements to the project site, including a new entry courtyard and staff patio, an event terrace, event garden, multiple lawns, and new accessible pedestrian paths.

Identify the project's significant or potentially significant effects and briefly describe any proposed mitigation measures that would reduce or avoid that effect.

For the topic of air quality, potentially significant impacts to air quality standards associated with project construction would be reduced to less than significant levels with implementation of Mitigation Measure AIR-1 (BAAQMD BMPs). For the topic of biological resources, implementation of Mitigation Measures BIO-1 through BIO-5 (awareness training, pre-construction surveys, biological monitoring, exclusionary fencing/buffers) would ensure that impacts to special-status species are reduced to a less than significant level, implementation of Mitigation Measures BIO-6 and BIO-7 (1:1 compensation) would ensure that impacts related to riparian habitat and wetlands are reduced to a less than significant level and implementation of Mitigation Measure BIO-8 (planting of replacement trees, protection measures) would ensure that impacts related to tree removal would be reduced to a less than significant level. For the topic of cultural resources, potentially significant impacts to archaeological and cultural resources would be reduced to less than significant levels with implementation of Mitigation Measure CUL-1 (monitoring, stop work, avoidance and mitigation). For the topic of geology and soils, implementation of Mitigation Measure GEO-1 (stop work, avoidance and mitigation) would ensure that impacts related to paleontological resources are reduced to less than significant levels. For the topic of tribal cultural resources, Mitigation Measures TCR-1 (awareness training) and TCR-2 (monitoring) are prescribed to reduce impacts to previously unknown tribal cultural resources that may be located within the project site to less than significant levels.

If applicable, describe any of the project's areas of controversy known to the Lead Agency, including issues raised by agencies and the public.

N/A

Provide a list of the responsible or trustee agencies for the project.

California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW)
San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board (San Francisco Bay RWQCB)
United States Army Corps of Engineers (USACE)
Contra Costa County Fire Protection District
Contra Costa County Environmental Health
Contra Costa County Water District
Pacific Gas & Electric (PG&E)