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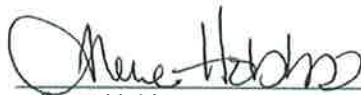
Managing Water in the West

Categorical Exclusion Checklist

Shasta County Public Works Dept. – East Redding Bike Lane Project – Cow Creek Unit – Central Valley Project

NCAO-CEC-12-18

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Date: 2/21/2013

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Date: 2/21/2013

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Date: 2/21/13



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Proposed Action

The Bella Vista Water District is requesting permission to relocate approximately 719 lineal feet of lateral 2.9S-1.7S and install pavement over portions of Laterals 2.9N, 2.9S, 2.9S-1.7S, and 2.9S-1.7S-0.1W for the Shasta County Department of Public Works East Redding Bike Lane Project. This project is located in Sections 3 and 10, Township 31 North, Range 4 West and Sections 21, 22, 27, and 32-34 in Township 32N, Range 4W, M.D.B.&M, Shasta County.

Exclusion Categories

Bureau of Reclamation Categorical Exclusion - 516 DM 14.5, C (3): Minor construction activities associated with authorized projects which correct unsatisfactory environmental conditions or which merely augment or supplement, or are enclosed within existing facilities; or D(10): Issuance of permits, licenses, easements and crossing agreements which provide right-of-way over Bureau of Reclamation lands where the action does not allow or lead to larger public or private action.

Extraordinary Circumstances

Below is an evaluation of the extraordinary circumstances as required in 43 CFR 46.215.

1. This action would have a significant effect on the quality of the human environment (40 CFR 1502.3). No ☒ Uncertain ☐ Yes ☐
2. This action would have highly controversial environmental effects or involve unresolved conflicts concerning alternative uses of available resources (NEPA Section 102(2)(E) and 43 CFR 46.215(c)). No ☒ Uncertain ☐ Yes ☐
3. This action would have significant impacts on public health or safety (43 CFR 46.215(a)). No ☒ Uncertain ☐ Yes ☐
4. This action would have significant impacts on such natural resources and unique geographical characteristics as historic or cultural resources; parks, recreation, and refuge lands; wilderness areas; wild or scenic rivers; national natural landmarks; sole or principal drinking water aquifers; prime farmlands; wetlands (EO 11990); flood plains (EO 11988); national monuments; migratory birds; and other ecologically significant or critical areas (43 CFR 46.215 (b)). No ☒ Uncertain ☐ Yes ☐
5. This action would have highly uncertain and potentially significant environmental effects or involve unique or unknown environmental risks (43 CFR 46.215(d)). No ☒ Uncertain ☐ Yes ☐

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| 6. This action would establish a precedent for future action or represent a decision in principle about future actions with potentially significant environmental effects (43 CFR 46.215 (e)). | No | ☒ | Uncertain | ☐ | Yes | ☐ |
| 7. This action would have a direct relationship to other actions with individually insignificant but cumulatively significant environmental effects (43 CFR 46.215 (f)). | No | ☒ | Uncertain | ☐ | Yes | ☐ |
| 8. This action would have significant impacts on properties listed, or eligible for listing, on the National Register of Historic Places as determined by Reclamation (LND 02-01; and 43 CFR 46.215 (g)). | No | ☒ | Uncertain | ☐ | Yes | ☐ |
| 9. This action would have significant impacts on species listed, or proposed to be listed, on the List of Endangered or Threatened Species, or have significant impacts on designated critical habitat for these species (43 CFR 46.215 (h)). | No | ☒ | Uncertain | ☐ | Yes | ☐ |
| 10. This action would violate a Federal, Tribal, State, or local law or requirement imposed for protection of the environment (43 CFR 46.215 (i)). | No | ☒ | Uncertain | ☐ | Yes | ☐ |
| 11. This action would affect ITAs (512 DM 2, Policy Memorandum dated December 15, 1993). | No | ☒ | Uncertain | ☐ | Yes | ☐ |
| 12. This action would have a disproportionately high and adverse effect on low income or minority populations (EO 12898; and 43 CFR 46.215 (j)). | No | ☒ | Uncertain | ☐ | Yes | ☐ |
| 13. This action would limit access to, and ceremonial use of, Indian sacred sites on Federal lands by Indian religious practitioners or significantly adversely affect the physical integrity of such sacred sites (EO 13007; 43 CFR 46.215 (k); and 512 DM 3). | No | ☒ | Uncertain | ☐ | Yes | ☐ |
| 14. This action would contribute to the introduction, continued existence, or spread of noxious weeds or non-native invasive species known to occur in the area or actions that may promote the introduction, growth, or expansion of the range of such species (Federal Noxious Weed Control Act; EO 13112; and 43 CFR 46.215 (l)). | No | ☒ | Uncertain | ☐ | Yes | ☐ |

Regional Archeologist concurred with Item 8 (email attached).

ITA Designee concurred with Item 11 (email attached).

NEPA Action Recommended

☒ CEC – This action is covered by the exclusion category and no extraordinary circumstances exist. The action is excluded from further documentation in an EA or EIS.

☐ Further environmental review is required, and the following document should be prepared.

☐ EA

☐ EIS

Environmental commitments, explanations, and/or remarks:

The Bella Vista Water District (District) is requesting permission to relocate a portion of Reclamation's 12-inch water main which is located within Reclamation's 40' wide easement to accommodate the Shasta County Department of Public Works (County) road widening for the East Redding Bike Lanes Project (Project) (Figure 1). In doing so, 719 lineal feet of a new 12-inch C900 PVC pipe would be installed under the edge of the county's roadway where it would have improved protection over its current location. The old portion of pipe will be abandoned in place. There is also a concrete structure that will need to be lowered in grade to accommodate the widening of the County road. The installation of pavement for the bike lanes along Old Oregon Trail and Old Alturas Roads will cross over portions of Lateral 2.9N, 2.9S, 2.9S-1.7S, and 2.9S-1.7S-0.1W. The locations vary in size and are located within the common areas of the Shasta County right-of-way and granted in the U.S. Contract No. 14-06-200-744A dated January 27, 1964 between County of Shasta and the United States titled "Crossing of and interference with Shasta County Highways and Highway Rights-of-Way by Features of the Bella Vista Water District.

The County has submitted the Natural Environment Study (NES) for the East Redding Bike Lanes Project dated September 2005 and Delineation of Waters of the U.S., Including Wetlands dated August 12, 2005. The NES study identifies avoidance and minimization measures, in addition to mitigation measures, that would be implemented to minimize the environment effects of the action. This document also incorporates study findings of the *Delineation of Waters of the U.S., Including Wetlands*, study. These documents are large and are therefore not attached to this CEC; however, they are available upon request.

The District has submitted Form MP-620, Permit for Additions or Alterations to Conveyance Distribution Facilities with plans and specifications. The MP-620 has been approved by Reclamation's Engineer.



Figure 1. Approximate location (highlighted in yellow) where the 12" water main pipeline will be replaced.

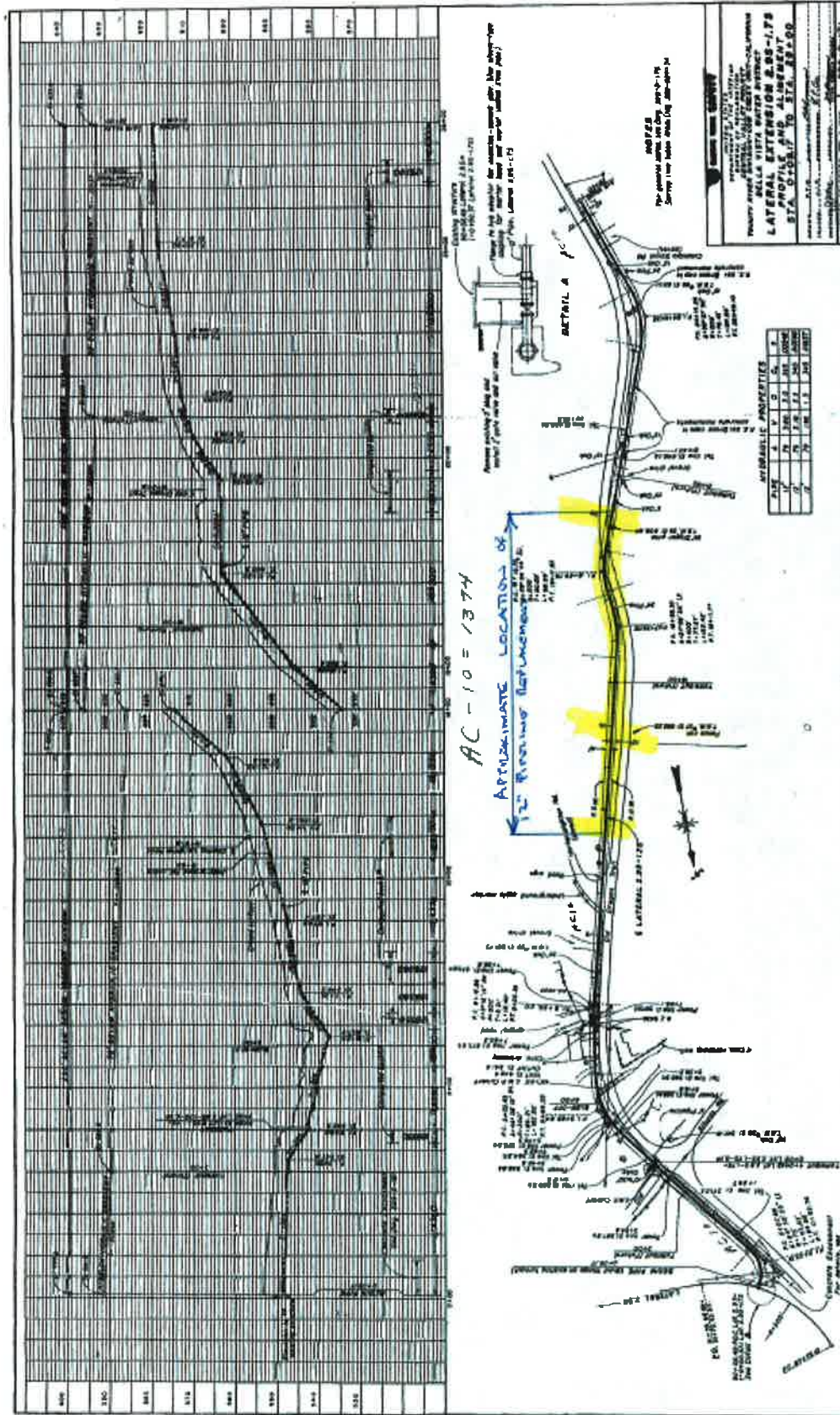


Figure 2. Project area details. Area of potential effect for the pipeline placement (shown in yellow).

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Subject: RE: ITA Concurrence Request: CEC SCPWD - E. Redding Bike Lane Proj - Cow Creek Unit - Central Valley Project
Date: Thursday, August 30, 2012 3:00:33 PM

Paul,

I reviewed the proposed action to approve the Bella Vista Water District's request to relocate approximately 719 lineal feet of lateral 2.9S-1.7S and install pavement over portions of Laterals 2.9N, 2.9S, 2.9S-1.7S, and 2.9S-1.7S-0.1W for the Shasta County Department of Public Works East Redding Bike Lane Project. This project is located in Sections 3 and 10, Township 31 North, Range 4 West and Sections 21, 22, 27, and 32-34 in Township 32N, Range 4W, M.D.B.&M, Shasta County.

The proposed action does not have a potential to affect Indian Trust Assets.

Patricia



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Wed, Feb 20, 2013 at 9:51 AM

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Paul,

We reviewed the proposed action by the Bella Vista Water District to relocate approximately 719 lineal feet of lateral 2.9S-1.7S and install pavement over portions of Laterals 2.9N, 2.9S, 2.9S-1.7S, and 2.9S-1.7S-0.1W for the Shasta County Department of Public Works East Redding Bike Lane Project, as described in NCAO-CEC-12-18. Granting permission to relocate a lateral is an undertaking under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA). As this type of undertaking has the potential to effect historic properties, Reclamation is required to comply with NHPA Section 106, as the process is outlined in 36 CFR Part 800.

We defined the area of potential effects (APE) as including approximately 1 acre for installing the new pipeline segment plus 8 crossings with work areas of approximately 500 square feet each. Efforts to identify historic properties included a record search with the California Historical Resources Information Center, Chico, and a review of a Historic Property Survey Report by California Department of Transportation (CalTrans), dated January 3, 2006. The CalTrans report was for the proposed East Redding Bike Lane Project and CalTrans consulted with the California State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO) regarding an eligibility determination of not eligible for the segment of road associated with the Old Oregon Trail that is within the APE. Concurrence with the not eligible determination was received on March 2, 2006. The CalTrans' NHPA Section 106 consultation process was conducted on a CalTrans' undertaking and did not include Reclamation's undertaking. On January 31, 2013, Reclamation sent letters to the Pit River Tribe of California, the Redding Rancheria, the Wintu Tribe of Northern California, the Shasta Nation, and the Winnemem Wintu Tribe requesting information on historic properties in or near the APE. To date, no responses from the tribes or interested parties have been received.

Reclamation finds no historic properties affected for this undertaking and is consulting with the SHPO pursuant to 36 CFR Part 800. As no historic properties are present, we concur that there will be no significant impacts on historic properties (line 8) on NCAO-CEC-12-18. Please retain a copy of this email for the administrative record for this proposed action. Additional documentation under NHPA Section 106 will be provided as it is completed.

Thank-you for providing an opportunity to comment on this proposed action.

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