

**ADDENDUM
to the
ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT
and
SUPPLEMENTAL ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT
to the
ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT
for the
SAN JOSÉ NONPOTABLE RECLAMATION PROJECT
now known as the
SOUTH BAY WATER RECYCLING PROGRAM**

February 10, 2010

Purpose and Background

The City of San José certified a Final Environmental Impact Report (FEIR) for the San José Nonpotable Reclamation Project, now known as the South Bay Water Recycling Program (SBWR), on November 18, 1992. This EIR evaluated the City's overall water recycling program and provided project-level analysis for those pipelines and users that had been identified at that time. Nineteen Addenda to the FEIR have been adopted subsequent to its certification. The Addenda addressed additional pipelines and other facilities to serve users within the original Program area, where impacts were determined to have been fully evaluated in the original Program EIR. These Addenda and the SBWR projects they cover are listed below:

- Addendum #1 – Diversion Facility (August 1995)
- Addendum #2 – Changes to Golden Triangle facilities (December 1995)
- Addendum #3 – Expanded Phase I Area (April 1996)
- Addendum #4 – Miscellaneous Golden Triangle items (May 1996)
- Addendum #5 – Deferred/Infill Projects (June 1998)
- Addendum #6 – Stage 1 Pipeline Extensions (November 1999)
- Addendum #7 – Additional Santa Clara and Milpitas Pipeline Extensions (December 1999)
- Addendum #8 – Silver Creek Pipeline (September 2001)
- Addendum #9 – Central Park (SC-6) Pipeline (September 2003)
- Addendum #10 – City of Santa Clara Realignment (August 2003)
- Addendum #11 – San José Infill Extension Projects (July 2004)
- Addendum #12 – SJ/SC (SJ12) Connector and Related Extensions (February 2005)
- Addendum #13 – Zone 3 Reservoir and Pipeline (March 2005)
- Addendum #14 – Airport Main (SJ-19) Extension (February 2010)

- Addendum #15 – Industrial 1 Pipeline Extension (October 2009)
- Addendum #16 – Santa Clara Central Park (October 2009)
- Addendum #17 – Industrial 2 Pipeline Extension (October 2009)
- Addendum #18 – Industrial 3A Pipeline Extension (November 2009)
- Addendum #19 – San José Laterals and Gardens Pipeline Extension (December 2009)

In addition to the Addenda listed above, the City of San José prepared the following document for the Phase 2 Pipelines pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), which extended pipelines in Santa Clara and San José, and slightly expanded the program area:

- Initial Study/Environmental Assessment for the South Bay Water Recycling Program Phase 2 (May 2000), which lead to the adoption of a Negative Declaration in July 2000

Because the project is funded in part by the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation (USBR), documents pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) have also been prepared for the project, as listed below:

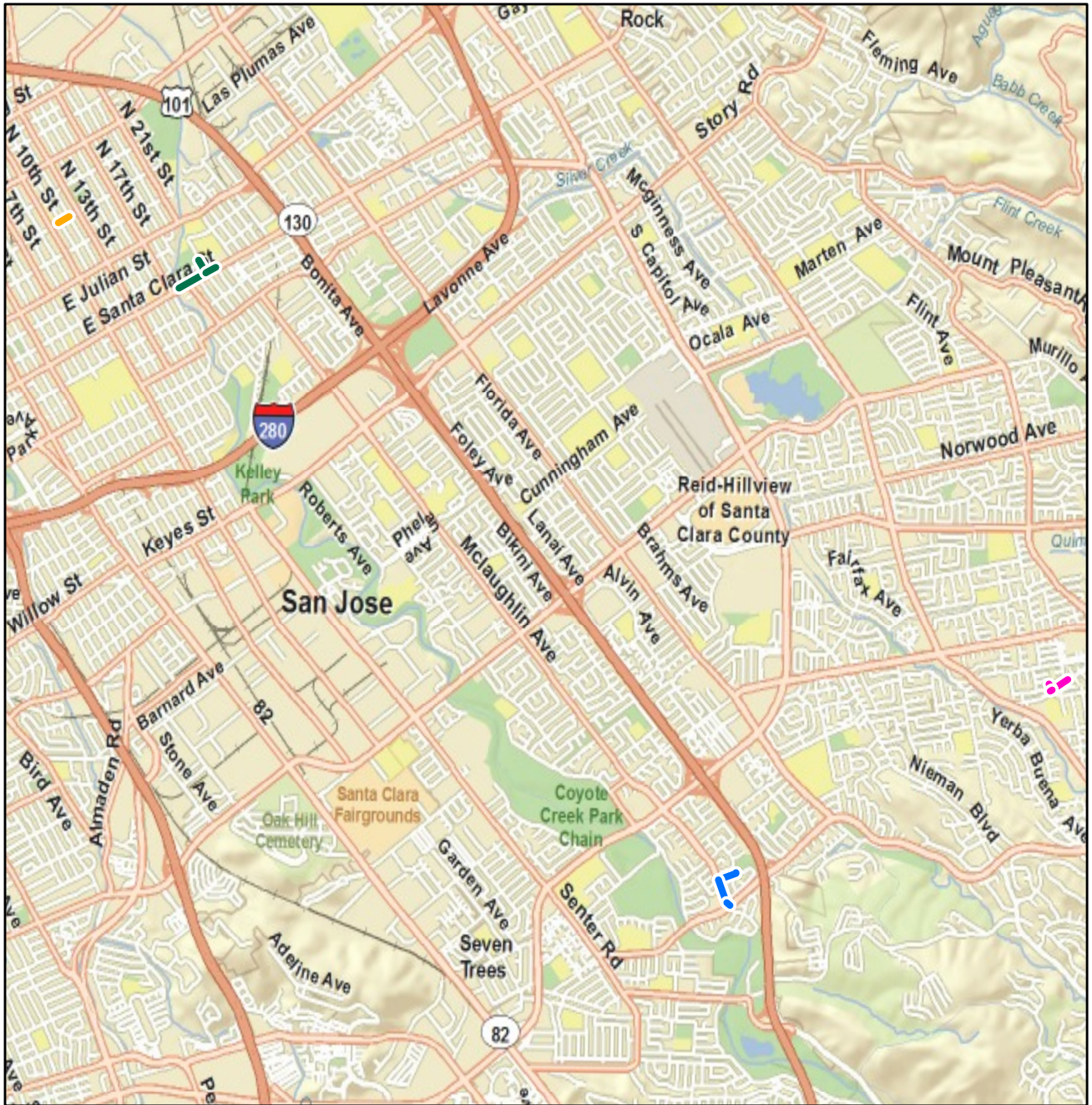
- Final Environmental Impact Statement – May 1996
- Record of Decision – July 1996
- Final Environmental Assessment/Finding of No Significant Impact – December 1996

The Addenda described above also are considered supplemental information to the NEPA documents.

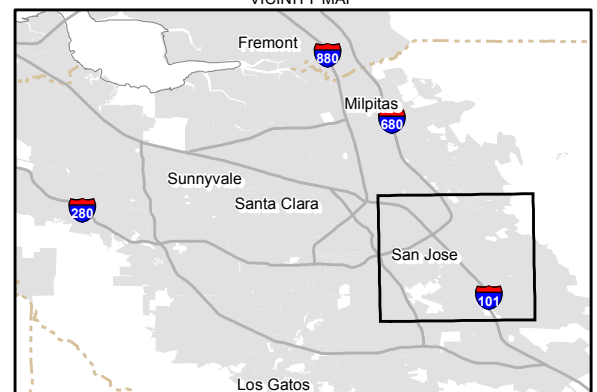
Since the preparation of the most recent Addendum, an additional pipeline extension project within the original Program area has been identified for construction as part of the SBWR Program. These pipelines, termed San José Schools, will connect to existing recycled water pipelines in the City of San José, and will provide recycled water to additional customers within the Program area previously described in the prior CEQA/NEPA documents. The additional users will help fulfill the Program's goal of diverting an additional 20 million gallons per day (mgd) of effluent from discharge to the south San Francisco Bay to beneficial reuse in the Program area. The purpose of this Addendum is to document that environmental review for these pipelines either has already been accomplished through previously certified environmental documents or to provide additional review where required. Construction of the pipelines is scheduled to begin in the 2009/2010 Fiscal Year. This Addendum has been prepared in accordance with Section 15164 of the CEQA Guidelines, which state that an Addendum to a previously certified EIR may be prepared if only minor technical changes or additions to the EIR are necessary. USBR may also use this Addendum for NEPA compliance.

Description of Pipeline Extension

Figure 1 shows the San José Schools pipeline extensions, which are addressed in this document. Detailed maps showing the pipeline extensions are presented in the Attachment. The pipeline segments and their environmental review status are listed in Table 1.



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LEGEND

- San José Schools A
- San José Schools B
- San José Schools C
- San José Schools D

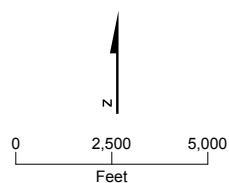


FIGURE 1
San José Schools
Pipeline Extension

South Bay Water Recycling Program

TABLE 1
San José Schools Pipeline Extension

Extension	Street Segments Included	Environmental Review Status
San José Schools	Santa Clara Street 21 st Street McLaughlin Avenue Lightland Road Classico Avenue Bianco Way Magnum Drive Empire Street	Addressed at program level but not at project level in existing environmental documents

The environmental analysis in this Addendum addresses these pipeline extensions, which are described in more detail below:

San José Schools Extension

These extensions are located within the City of San José and will provide recycled water for landscaping irrigation in the project vicinity. The extensions total about 400 feet of 8-inch and 4610 feet of 6-inch pipe. The San José Schools pipeline extension project consists of the pipeline segments noted in Table 1 above. The pipelines would be installed within the street rights-of-way and connect to the existing recycled water pipeline in segments indicated as (A) through (D).

- (A) Santa Clara Street teeing onto 21st Street. A gate valve will be installed on Santa Clara Street at the end of the pipe and service valves on 21st Street and Santa Clara Street.
- (B) The pipeline will be connected to the existing recycled water system on McLaughlin Avenue including two gate valves at each end of the pipe. The pipeline tees at Lightland Road and terminates at a service valve.
- (C) The Classico Avenue segment connects to the existing recycled water pipeline at Alessandro Drive to slightly west of Bianco Way terminating at a service valve on Classico Avenue. The pipeline tees from Classico Avenue onto Bianco Way and bends onto Magnum Drive terminating at a service valve.
- (D) The segment on Empire Street connects to the existing recycled water pipeline where a new gate valve will be installed. The pipeline terminates at a service connection on Empire Street.

Work is expected to occur in the spring of 2010. The recycled water lines will be installed using open-cut method.

Operation

Proposed recycled water users are consistent with those described in the 1992 EIR. Operation of the pipelines would be the same as described in previous environmental documents and would be similar to operation of the existing potable water distribution system, with the addition of safeguards for use of recycled water. Signs would be posted to notify the public of areas where recycled water is being used. Pipelines and taps supplying recycled water at user sites would be identified.

Construction Methods

Construction of the pipelines would occur within existing roadway rights-of-way, using the “cut and cover” method. This method involves excavating an open trench sized to accommodate the size of the pipe, laying pipe, and replacing and compacting soil to refill the trench. The trench is then restored to original or better condition. Construction equipment would typically occupy approximately 20 to 26 feet of the affected roadway.

Setting

The environmental setting of the South Bay Water Recycling Program area has been described in Sections 3.1 through 3.16 of the 1992 Environmental Impact Report (City of San José, 1992), the Final Environmental Impact Statement (U.S. Bureau of Reclamation, 1996), and the Environmental Assessment for the Revised South Bay Water Recycling Program (U.S. Bureau of Reclamation, 1996). This information was updated and expanded to include new areas in south San José in the Initial Study/Environmental Assessment for the South Bay Water Recycling Program Phase 2 (City of San José, 2000). The following environmental analysis section provides a summary description of the setting, including any changes from the information provided in those documents.

The project area is urbanized, with land uses including commercial, industrial, and public uses. The zoning designations for the project area include:

- (A) Santa Clara Street teeing onto 21st Street: Residential (R-2), Commercial General (CG), Agricultural (A), and Commercial Neighborhood (CN) zoning.
- (B) McLaughlin Avenue and Lightland Road: Residential (R-1-8) zoning.
- (C) Classico Avenue and Bianco Way: Agricultural (A) and Residential (R-1-8). Land use is dominantly residential.
- (D) Empire Street: Two-Family Residential (R-2).

Environmental Analysis

The pipeline extensions evaluated in this Addendum are located in areas that have been previously addressed in certified environmental documents, as noted above. The conclusions in this Addendum are based on information contained in the certified environmental documents and subsequent field verification. Following are conclusions for each impact category.

Geology and Seismicity

No new impacts have been identified. The pipelines do not cross fault zones, and are in level areas not subject to landslides. The project will comply with previously identified mitigation measures for this impact category, which are detailed in the Design Guidance Manual for the project. These measures include appropriate seismic design features, liquefaction protection in areas of high liquefaction potential, and measures to protect the pipeline against corrosive and expansive soils. With this mitigation there would be no significant impacts.

Surface Water Hydrology and Water Quality

No new impacts have been identified. No aboveground facilities are proposed in areas subject to flooding. The pipeline extensions are not in areas subject to seiches, tsunamis or mudflows, and do not include construction of levees or dams. Recycled water quality was evaluated in previous documents and determined to be acceptable for use in landscape irrigation. The project will comply with previously identified mitigation measures for this impact category, which include monitoring and management of recycled water quality, control of irrigation to avoid surface runoff from excessive irrigation, and preparation of a Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan to ensure that there are no adverse effects on water quality during pipeline construction. With this mitigation there would be no significant impacts.

Groundwater Hydrology and Water Quality

No new impacts have been identified. The project does not involve extraction or use of groundwater and would thus not cause subsidence of land. The areas served by these pipeline extensions are already being irrigated, so irrigation with recycled water would not affect groundwater levels or gradients. The project will comply with previously identified mitigation measures for this impact category, which include measures to protect groundwater during construction and a Groundwater Monitoring and Mitigation Plan for the South Bay Water Recycling Program. With this mitigation there would be no significant impacts.

Land Use

The land uses along the proposed pipeline route are primarily residential. No new impacts have been identified. The installation of a buried pipeline would have no long-term impacts on existing land uses; construction impacts would be temporary and not significant. The project will comply with previously identified mitigation measures for traffic, noise, air quality and visual impacts of construction, which would address the construction-period land use impacts.

Air Quality

As noted above land uses along the pipeline routes are mostly residential. The area could be affected by short-term construction-related emissions and dust. The project would not generate operational emissions, and no odor problems are expected to be associated with pipeline operation. The project will comply with previously identified construction-period mitigation measures for this impact category, which follow the Bay Area Air Quality Management District's Basic Control Measures for construction air quality impacts. With this mitigation there would be no significant impacts.

Traffic

No new impacts have been identified. Before the start of construction, a traffic management plan will be prepared for the pipeline extensions. The project will comply with previously identified mitigation measures for this impact category, which include time of day restrictions, temporary detours for any areas requiring lane closures, bike lane, and pedestrian mitigation measures. With these mitigation measures there would be no significant impacts.

Biological Resources

Because of the urban nature (e.g., highly developed/disturbed) of the pipeline routes, construction would not have significant impacts on biological resources. Construction will stay within public right of way. The project would not affect threatened or endangered species.

Hazardous Materials

No new impacts have been identified. The project will comply with adopted protocols for handling any contaminated materials that might be uncovered during construction activities. The project will comply with all other previously identified mitigation measures for this impact category, which include preparation of a Phase I Site Assessment for the pipeline route. With this mitigation there would be no significant impacts.

Public Health

Previous environmental documents have determined that use of recycled water does not pose significant risks. No new impacts have been identified. The project will comply with previously identified mitigation measures for this impact category, including Regional Water Quality Control Board general requirements and Title 22 requirements for water reclamation. With this mitigation there would be no significant impacts.

Noise

Land uses along the pipeline routes are residential. These uses could be affected by short-term construction-related noise that would temporarily increase noise levels above the background noise in areas around the project site. Although noise increases during the construction period would be considered significant, the overall impact would be reduced to a less-than-significant level by the short duration of the impact and the implementation of noise controls and restricted hours of construction operations. This construction noise impact was fully addressed in the 1992 EIR and in the 2000 Negative Declaration. There will be no operational noise impacts associated with the pipeline. The project will comply with previously identified noise control measures for construction noise impacts.

Public Services and Utilities

No new impacts have been identified. During construction there is the potential for effects on police and fire services due to construction in roadways. However, the project would comply with all required procedures for noticing appropriate agencies regarding roadway work. With these noticing procedures construction would not be expected to cause significant problems during construction. Measures are also in place to prevent disruption of utility lines.

Visual Resources

No new impacts have been identified. The majority of pipelines would be buried and would not be visible after construction, and would thus have no long-term visual impacts.

Historic and Archaeological Resources

Historic and archaeological resources are identified and evaluated in the Historic Property Survey Report based on record searches, field surveys, and Native American consultation

(Basin Research Associates, 2009). No historic properties listed, determined eligible, or potentially eligible for inclusion on the NRHP have been identified in or adjacent to the Area of Potential Effects (APE). No project specific mitigation measures are required for historic properties/cultural resources.

Post-review discoveries shall be handled as per 36 CFR Part 800.13(b). The development of a formal Post-Review Discovery Plan is not recommended due to the very low potential for exposing prehistoric or historic archaeological material within or adjacent to the APE. The exposure of any Native American burials shall be handled in accordance with state law.

Recreation

No new impacts have been identified. The project will comply with previously identified mitigation measures for this impact category.

Indian Trust Assets

Indian trust assets (ITAs) are legal interests in assets that are held in trust by the U.S. government for Federally recognized Indian tribes or individuals. Assets can be real property, physical assets, or intangible property rights, such as a lease, or right to use something. ITAs may include lands, minerals, and natural resources, as well as hunting, fishing, and water rights. Indian reservations, Rancherias, and public domain allotments are examples of lands that are often considered trust assets.

Based on a review of ITA data, the project does not impact ITAs.

Environmental Justice

Federal actions are required to address environmental justice in minority populations and low-income populations. The purpose is to avoid the disproportionate placement of any adverse environmental, economic, social, or health effects resulting from Federal actions and policies on minority and low-income populations.

The Project would supply recycled water to customers and includes construction of additional recycled water pipelines to an existing system. The proposed project would have construction impacts that would be temporary and limited to the area of pipeline being constructed each day. Operation of the Project would be conducted in accordance with all applicable federal and state requirements. There are no Federal standards governing wastewater reuse in the United States. The California Department of Public Health established water quality criteria for reclamation operations, which are set forth in Title 22, Division 4, Chapter 3, of the California Code of Regulations. The Project would be designed and operated in accordance with the applicable Title 22 requirements and would therefore not have a significant impact on public health or water quality.

Project impacts would be temporary (during construction) and would be mitigated to less than significant levels. Implementation of the Project would not disproportionately affect any minority or low-income populations.

Cumulative Impacts

No new impacts have been identified.

Conclusions

The proposed additional pipeline extensions would not result in any new environmental impacts that were not previously identified in certified environmental documents. The project will comply with all appropriate mitigation measures that have already been identified and incorporated into the SBWR Mitigation Monitoring Program. Pursuant to Section 15164 of the CEQA Guidelines, the minor changes made to the project by the additional pipeline extensions do not raise important new issues about significant impacts on the environment.

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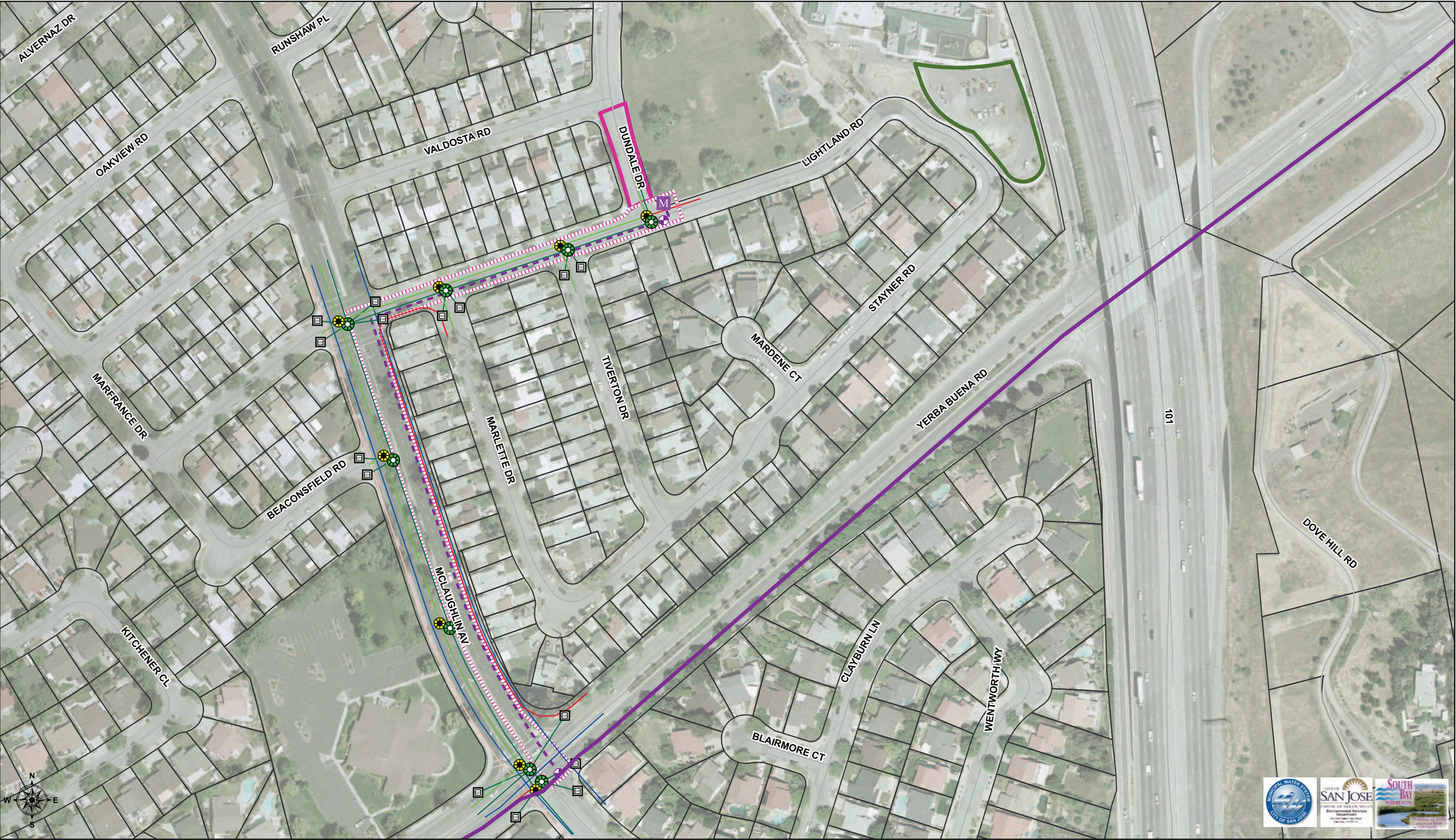
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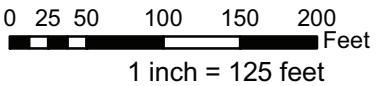




ARCHAEOLOGICAL AREA
OF POTENTIAL EFFECTS

SJ SCHOOLS C (EVERGREEN ELEMENTARY)

NOVEMBER 30, 2009



Map Legend

Existing Pipeline	SANITARY	RECYCLED WATER METER	STORM INLET	AREA OF POTENTIAL EFFECTS Staging (1 of 5 Options) Option 1 Property Boundaries
RECYCLED WATER - NEW	STORM DRAINAGE	RECYCLED WATER VALVE	STORM MANHOLE	
ELECTRIC	WATER	SANITARY MANHOLE	WATER VALVE	

SOUTH BAY WATER RECYCLING

CITY OF SAN JOSE - MUNICIPAL WATER

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