

MINUTE ITEM

This Calendar Item No. C6  
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No. 6 by the State Lands  
Commission by a vote of 3  
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meeting.

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PRC 5850

GENERAL PERMIT - PUBLIC AGENCY USE

APPLICANT: Las Gallinas Valley Sanitary District  
300 Smith Ranch Road  
San Rafael, California 94903

AREA, TYPE LAND AND LOCATION: A twenty-five foot wide strip of swamp  
and overflowed land within and adjacent  
to rechannelized Las Gallinas Creek, Marin  
County.

LAND USE: Construction and maintenance of sanitary  
sewer facilities (force main).

TERMS OF PROPOSED PERMIT:  
Initial period: 49 years from March 1,  
1980.

CONSIDERATION: The public health and safety, with the  
State reserving the right at any time to  
set a monetary rental if the Commission  
finds such action to be in the State's  
best interest.

BASIS FOR CONSIDERATION:  
2 Cal. Adm. Code 2005.

PREREQUISITE TERMS, FEES AND EXPENSES:  
Applicant is permittee of upland.  
  
Filing fee and processing costs have been  
received.

STATUTORY AND OTHER REFERENCES:  
A. P.R.C.: Div. 6, Parts 1 & 2.  
B. Cal. Adm. Code: Title 2, Div. 3.

OTHER PERTINENT INFORMATION:  
1. The annual rental value of the site  
is estimated to be \$1,000.

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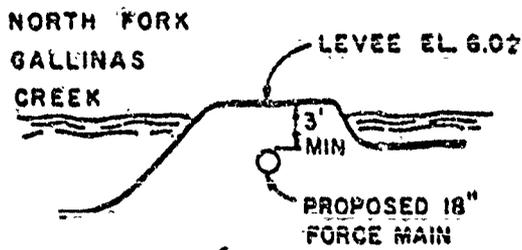
2. A negative declaration was prepared by Las Gallinas Valley Sanitation District, pursuant to CEQA and implementing regulations. A notice of determination has been received.
3. This project is situated on State land identified as possessing significant environmental values pursuant to P.R.C. 6370.1, and is classified in a use category, Class B, which authorizes Limited Use.

Staff has coordinated this project with those agencies and organizations which nominated the site as containing significant environmental values. They have found this project to be compatible with their nomination.

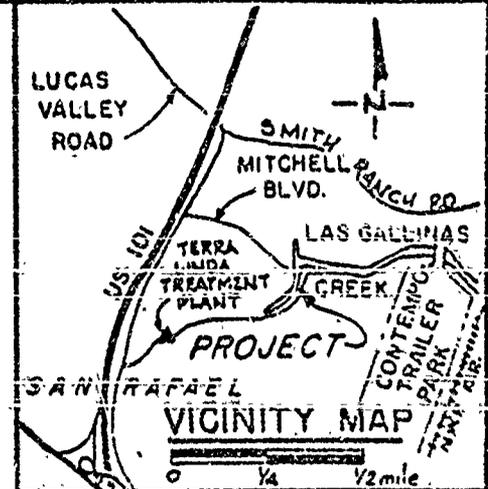
- EXHIBITS:
- A. Site Map and Land Description.
  - B. Negative Declaration and Initial Study.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE COMMISSION:

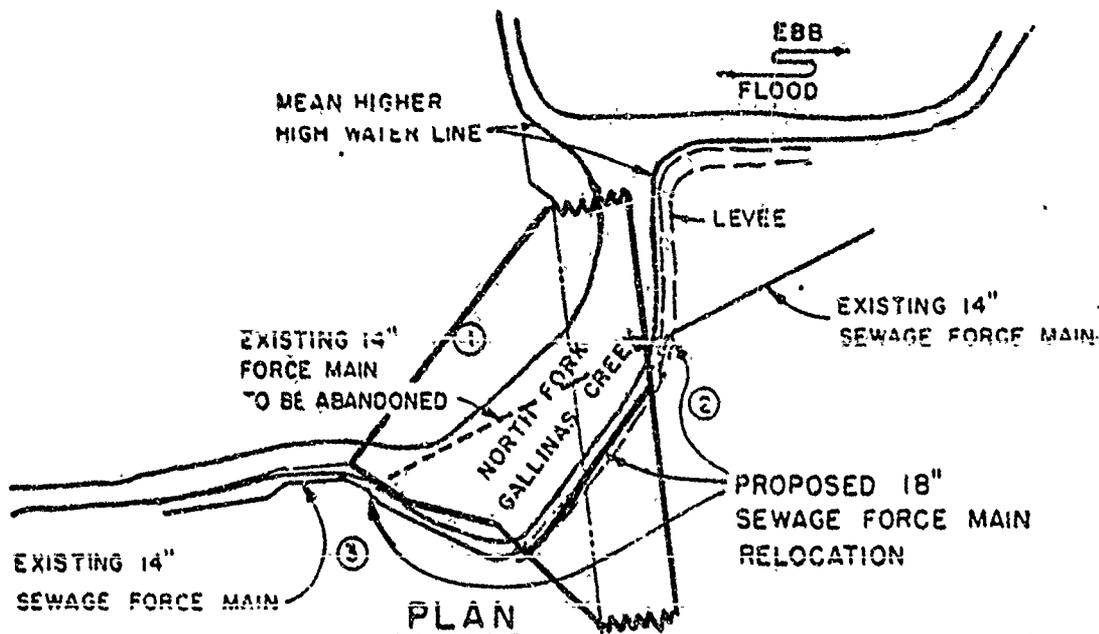
1. DETERMINE THAT AN EIR HAS NOT BEEN PREPARED FOR THIS PROJECT BUT THAT A NEGATIVE DECLARATION HAS BEEN PREPARED BY THE LAS GALLINAS VALLEY DISTRICT, ON AUGUST 8, 1979.
2. CERTIFY THAT THE COMMISSION HAS REVIEWED AND CONSIDERED THE INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THE NEGATIVE DECLARATION.
3. DETERMINE THAT THE PROJECT WILL NOT HAVE A SIGNIFICANT EFFECT ON THE ENVIRONMENT.
4. FIND THAT GRANTING OF THE PERMIT WILL HAVE NO SIGNIFICANT EFFECT UPON ENVIRONMENTAL CHARACTERISTICS IDENTIFIED PURSUANT TO SECTION 6370.1, OF THE P.R.C.
5. AUTHORIZE ISSUANCE TO LAS GALLINAS VALLEY SANITARY DISTRICT OF A 49-YEAR GENERAL PERMIT - PUBLIC AGENCY USE FROM MARCH 1, 1980; IN CONSIDERATION OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY, WITH THE STATE RESERVING THE RIGHT AT ANY TIME TO SET A MONETARY RENTAL IF THE COMMISSION FINDS SUCH ACTION TO BE IN THE STATE'S BEST INTEREST; FOR CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE OF AN 18" SEWER FORCE MAIN ON THE LAND SHOWN ON EXHIBIT "A" ATTACHED AND BY REFERENCE MADE A PART HEREOF.



SECTION



FROM: MARIN CO. HIGHWAY MAP



PLAN

PURPOSE: SEWAGE FORCE MAIN RELOCATION  
DATUM MEAN SEA LEVEL

ADJACENT PROPERTY OWNERS:

- ① STATE OF CALIFORNIA
- ② ROBERT L. GOETZ
- ③ TARRANT & BELL PROPERTIES

IN NORTH FORK GALLINAS CREEK  
AT SAN RAFAEL  
COUNTY OF MARIN STATE CALIF.

APPLICATION BY LAS GALLINAS  
VALLEY SANITARY DISTRICT

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NEGATIVE DECLARATION

Proposed  
 Final

Name of Project: Terra Linda Force Main Relocation Project 79-1

Location: San Rafael, California

Entity or Person Undertaking Project: (Check appropriate box)

Las Gallinas Valley Sanitary District

Other: Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Project Description: Relocation of 560 feet of a 14" diameter sewage force main which is under the North Fork of Gallinas Creek, by the construction of an 18" diameter force main in the easterly creek levee and in a graded area in the hillside to the south of the creek.

Finding: It is hereby found that the above-named project will not have a significant effect upon the environment.

Initial Study: An initial study of this project was undertaken and prepared in accordance with Article V of the District's local environmental guidelines for the purpose of ascertaining whether this project might have a significant effect on the environment. A copy of such initial study is attached hereto and by reference incorporated herein. Such initial study documents reasons to support the above finding.

Mitigation Measures: The following mitigation measures have been included in the project to avoid potentially significant effects.

(a) None

(b)

(c)

(d)

Date: August 8, 1979

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 Authorized Person

EXHIBIT "B"

INITIAL STUDY

(Prepared pursuant to Article V of the Environmental Guidelines of the District.)

I. Project Title: Terra Linda Force Main Relocation  
Project No. 79-1

II. Full Description of Project:

Relocation and enlargement of the existing Terra Linda force main (1) to eliminate a 560 feet length of force main traversing under the North Fork of Gallinas Creek and (2) to enlarge the pipe size from 14" diameter to 18" diameter as recommended in the District's 1969 Master Plan.

III. Energy Usage of Project:

Although there will be energy usage during the project construction, the enlargement of the pipeline from 14" to 18" will allow a decrease in pumping energy over the long term.

IV. Exact Location of Project (If construction or a similar activity is involved, give street names, addresses or other geographical data sufficient to enable a resident of the District to identify the physical location of all aspects of the project. A metes and bounds description should be avoided if at all possible. A map may be attached in lieu of, or in addition to, the verbal description.):

The project is located on the east side of the North Fork of Gallinas Creek between the Northgate Industrial Park and the Contempo Mobile Home Park.

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V. Public Agencies (List public agencies, if any, other than the District, which must approve, or give a permit for the project.):

The State of California must grant an easement across a parcel of State land.

VI. Reason for Project:

The project is needed for the following purposes: (1) to eliminate a section of force main under Gallinas Creek which, if ruptured under the creek, would be very difficult and environmentally damaging to repair and (2) to provide more hydraulic capacity so that peak wet weather flows can be adequately pumped.

VII. Compatibility with Zoning and Planning (Discuss whether the project is compatible with existing zoning and plans.):

The project will have no effect on present or future zoning and planning.

VIII. Environmental Settings of Project (This description should be complete enough to enable a person not familiar with the geography of the District to envision the environmental setting of the project. Any unusual features such as scenic resources, historic buildings, unusual flora or fauna or similar unique qualities of the setting should be noted.):

The relocated force main will be constructed in a levee and in a graded hillside area on the east and southeasterly side of the North Fork of Gallinas Creek. Gallinas Creek is a tidal estuary and because of a horizontal land failure during the construction of the Northgate Industrial Park, became wider causing the force main alignment to become part of the creek. The creek over the existing force main is tidal and contains pickleweed and cord-grass.

IX.

Environmental Effects of Project (Complete the following check-list and attach explanations of each "yes" and maybe" answer. Consider indirect and ultimate results of the project, as well as direct impacts of the project, and secondary as well as primary effects of the project. If readily available, attach or make reference to relevant scientific, technical, or factual data.):

	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Maybe</u>	<u>No</u>
1. <u>Earth</u> . Will the proposed project result in:			
a. Unstable earth conditions?	_____	_____	<u>X</u>
b. Changes in geologic substructure?	_____	_____	<u>X</u>
c. Disruptions, displacements, compaction or overcovering of the soil?	_____	_____	<u>X</u>
d. Change in topography or ground surface relief features?	_____	_____	<u>X</u>
e. The destruction, covering or modification of any unique geologic or physical features?	_____	_____	<u>X</u>
f. Any increase in wind or water erosion of soils, either on or off the site?	_____	_____	<u>X</u>
g. Changes in deposition or erosion of beach sands, or changes in siltation, deposition or erosion which may modify the channel of a river or stream or the bed of the ocean or any bay, inlet or lake?	_____	_____	<u>X</u>
h. Exposure of people or property to geologic hazards such as earthquakes, landslides, mudslides, ground failure, or similar hazards?	_____	_____	<u>X</u>
2. <u>Air</u> . Will the proposed project result in:			
a. Substantial air emissions?	_____	_____	<u>X</u>
b. Deterioration of ambient air quality?	_____	_____	<u>X</u>
c. A contribution to an existing or projected air quality violation?	_____	_____	<u>X</u>
d. The creation of objectionable odors?	_____	_____	<u>X</u>

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	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Maybe</u>	<u>No</u>
e. Alteration of air movement, moisture or temperature, or any change in climate, either locally or regionally?	_____	_____	X _____
3. <u>Water</u> . Will the proposed project result in:			
a. Changes in currents, or the course or direction of water movements, in either marine or fresh waters?	_____	_____	X _____
b. Changes in absorption rates, drainage patterns, or the rate and amount of surface water runoff?	_____	_____	X _____
c. Alterations to the course or flow of flood waters?	_____	_____	X _____
d. Change in the amount of surface water in any water body?	_____	_____	X _____
e. Discharge into surface waters?	_____	_____	X _____
f. Alteration of surface water quality, including but not limited to, temperature, dissolved oxygen or turbidity?	_____	_____	X _____
g. Alteration of the direction or rate of flow of ground waters?	_____	_____	X _____
h. Change in the quantity of ground waters, either through direct additions or withdrawals, or through interception of an aquifer by cuts or excavations?	_____	_____	X _____
i. Substantial reduction in the amount of water otherwise available for public water supplies?	_____	_____	X _____
j. Exposure of people or property to water related hazards, such as flooding or tidal waves?	_____	_____	X _____
4. <u>Plant Life</u> . Will the proposed project result in:			
a. Change in the diversity of species, or number of species of any plants (including trees, shrubs, grass, crops, and aquatic plants)?	_____	_____	X _____

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Yes

Maybe

No

b. Reduction of the numbers of any unique, rare or endangered any species of plants?

X

c. Introduction of new species of plants into an area, or in a barrier to the normal replenishment of existing species?

X

d. Reduction in acreage of any agricultural crop?

X

5. Animal Life. Will the proposed project result in:

a. Change in the diversity of species, or numbers of species of any birds, land animals, reptiles, fish, shellfish, benthic organisms or insects?

X

b. Reduction of the numbers of any unique, rare or endangered species of birds, land animals, reptiles, fish, shellfish, benthic organisms or insects?

X

c. Introduction of new species of birds, land animals, reptiles, fish, shellfish, benthic organisms or insects?

X

d. Deterioration to, or reduction of, the habitats of birds, land animals, reptiles, fish, shellfish, benthic organisms or insects?

X

e. Interfere significantly with the movement of any resident or migratory species of birds, land animals, reptiles, fish, shellfish, benthic organisms or insects?

X

6. Noise. Will the proposed project result in:

a. Increases in existing noise levels?

X

b. Exposure of people to severe noise levels?

7. Light and Glare. Will the proposed project produce new light or glare?

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	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Maybe</u>	<u>No</u>
8. <u>Land Use.</u> Will the proposed project result in a substantial alteration of the present or planned land use of an area?	_____	_____	X _____
Will the proposed project conflict with:			
a. Adopted environmental plans and goals of the community where it is located?	_____	_____	X _____
b. Applicable city or county adopted general plans for the area?	_____	_____	X _____
9. <u>Natural Resources:</u> Will the proposed project result in:			
a. Increase in the rate of use of any natural resources?	_____	_____	X _____
b. Substantial depletion of any nonrenewable natural resource?	_____	_____	X _____
10. <u>Risk of Accident.</u> Does the proposed project involve a risk of an explosion or the release of hazardous substances (including, but not limited to, oil, pesticides, chemicals or radiation) in the event of an accident or upset conditions?	_____	_____	X _____
11. <u>Population.</u>			
a. Will the proposed project alter the location, distribution, density, or growth rate of the human population of an area?	_____	_____	X _____
b. Does the proposed project include capacity for a population greater than that now resident in the project area?	_____	_____	X(1) _____

(1) The increased pipeline size from 14" diameter to 18" diameter will provide additional hydraulic capacity for pumping peak wet weather flows and thereby reduce the possibility of a raw sewage bypassing during intense storms.

	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Maybe</u>	<u>No</u>
12. <u>Housing.</u> Will the proposed project affect existing housing, or create a demand for additional housing?	_____	_____	<u>X</u>
13. <u>Transportation/Circulation.</u> Will the proposed project result in:			
a. Generation of substantial additional vehicular movement?	_____	_____	<u>X</u>
b. Effects on existing parking facilities, or demand for new parking?	_____	_____	<u>X</u>
c. Substantial impact upon existing transportation systems?	_____	_____	<u>X</u>
d. Alterations to present patterns of circulation or movement of people and/or goods?	_____	_____	<u>X</u>
e. Alterations to waterborne, rail or air traffic?	_____	_____	<u>X</u>
f. Increase in traffic hazards to motor vehicles, bicyclists or pedestrians?	_____	_____	<u>X</u>
14. <u>Public Services.</u> Will the proposed project have an effect upon, or result in a need for new or altered governmental services?	_____	_____	<u>X</u>
15. <u>Energy.</u> Will the proposed project either result in or encourage:			
a. Use of substantial amounts of fuel or energy?	_____	_____	<u>X</u>
b. Substantial increase in demand upon existing sources of energy?	_____	_____	<u>X</u>
c. A requirement for the development of new sources of energy?	_____	_____	<u>X</u>
16. <u>Utilities.</u> Will the proposed project result in a need for new systems of, or substantial alterations to, the following utilities:			
a. Power or natural gas?	_____	_____	<u>X</u>
b. Communications systems?	_____	_____	<u>X</u>
c. Water?	_____	_____	
d. Sewer or septic tanks?	_____	_____	

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	<u>Y</u>	<u>Maybe</u>	<u>No</u>
e. Storm water drainage?	_____	_____	<u>X</u>
f. Solid waste and disposal?	_____	_____	<u>X</u>
17. <u>Human Health.</u> Will the proposed project result in:			
a. Creation of any health hazard or potential health hazard (excluding mental health)?	_____	_____	<u>X</u>
b. Exposure of people to potential health hazards?	_____	_____	<u>X</u>
18. <u>Aesthetics.</u> Will the proposed project result in:			
a. The obstruction of any scenic vista or view open to the public?	_____	_____	<u>X</u>
b. The creation of an aesthetically offensive site open to public view?	_____	_____	<u>X</u>
c. The destruction of a stand of trees, a rock outcropping or other locally recognized desirable aesthetic natural feature?	_____	_____	<u>X</u>
d. Any negative aesthetic effect?	_____	_____	<u>X</u>
19. <u>Recreation.</u> Will the proposed project result in an impact upon the quality or quantity of existing recreational opportunities?	_____	_____	<u>X</u>
20. <u>Archaeological/Historical.</u> Will the proposed project result in an alteration of a significant archaeological, historical, paleontological or cultural site, structure, object or building?	_____	_____	<u>X</u>
21. <u>Mandatory Findings of Significance.</u>			
a. Does the proposed project have the potential to degrade the quality of the environment, substantially reduce the habitat of a fish or wildlife species, cause a fish or wildlife population to drop below self sustaining levels, threaten to eliminate a plant or animal community, reduce the number or restrict the range of a rare or endangered plant or animal or eliminate important examples of the major periods of California history or prehistory?	_____	_____	<u>X</u>

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b. Does the proposed project have the potential to achieve short-term, to the disadvantage of long-term, environmental goals?

\_\_\_\_\_ X

c. Does the proposed project have impacts which are individually limited, but cumulatively considerable? (A project may impact on two or more separate resources where the impact on each resource is relatively small, but where the effect of the total of those impacts on the environment is significant.)

\_\_\_\_\_ X

d. Does the proposed project have environmental effects which will cause substantial adverse effects on human beings, either directly or indirectly?

\_\_\_\_\_ X

X. Mitigation Measures (List by number all effects on the checklist contained under part IX above to which a "yes" or "maybe" answer was given and describe the measures, if any, which can be taken by the District to mitigate adverse impacts, if any, of such effects.):

None

XI. Public Controversy (Describe public controversy, if any, concerning any environmental effects of the project.):

None known at this time.

Dated: August 8 1970

By: [Signature]  
Authorized Person

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EXHIBIT "B"

LAS GALLINAS VALLEY SANITARY DISTRICT

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT

Names of Project: Terra Linda Force Main Relocation Project 79-1

Location: San Rafael, California

Entity or Person Undertaking Project: (Check appropriate box)

Las Gallinas Valley Sanitary District

Other: Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Staff Determination

The District's staff, having undertaken and completed an initial study of this project in accordance with Article V of the District's guidelines entitled "Local Guidelines Implementing the California Environmental Quality Act," for the purpose of ascertaining whether the proposed project might have a significant effect on the environment, has reached the following conclusion:

- ( X ) 1. The project will not have a significant effect on the environment; therefore, a negative declaration should be prepared.
- ( ) 2. The project, if modified in accordance with certain mitigation measures set forth in the initial study and enumerated in Exhibit "A" attached hereto and by reference incorporated herein, will not have a significant effect on the environment. Upon completion of such procedures as may be necessary to assure such modification, a negative declaration should be prepared.
- ( ) 3. The project may have a significant effect on the environment; therefore, an EIR will be required.

Dated: August 8, 1979

  
Authorized Person

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