



SAN FRANCISCO PLANNING DEPARTMENT

February 3, 2011

Mr. Milford Donaldson
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RE: COMMENTS OF HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION
Case No.: 2006.1388F
Project Name: Bay Division Pipeline Nos. 3 and 4 Seismic Upgrade

Dear Mr. Donaldson:

This letter is in response to the United States Corps of Engineer's (COE) request for review and comment on the documents that were prepared in the course of conducting the Section 106 review for the proposed project, including:

- Letter from COE to the Planning Department initiating Section 106 review, dated January 21, 2011;
- Draft Memorandum of Agreement (MOA), dated March 24, 2010;
- Archaeological Research Design and Treatment Plan / Historic Property Treatment Plan for Site CA-ALA-576, dated October 2010, which includes:
 - o Project Description/Undertaking
 - o Area of Potential Effect,
 - o Determination of Eligibility,
 - o Determination of Adverse Effects,
 - o Treatment Plan;
- Letter from Susan K. Stratton for Milford Wayne Donaldson, State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO) to Mitch Marken of ESA, Inc, dated April 28, 2009; and
- Final Historic Context and Archaeological Survey Report from ESA + Orion Joint Venture, dated August 2009.

The Historic Preservation Commission held a public hearing on February 2, 2011 and February 16, 2011 to review and comment on the above-mentioned documents. Planning Department staff presented the attached staff report. This letter contains the Commission's view on the effects this undertaking could have upon historic properties within the APE. This letter will also be forward to the lead Federal Agency (COE), Project Sponsor (SFPUC), and any other interested parties.

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The Historic Preservation Commission's comments and discussion are as follows:

1. The Commission concurs with definition of the Project Description / Undertaking provided by the Project Sponsor.
2. The Commission concurs with the findings of the Historic Context and Archaeological Survey Report and the APE as defined in the report.
3. The Commission concurs with the determination that archaeological site CA-ALA-576 is eligible for the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP) under Criterion D.
4. The Commission concurs with the finding that the project will have an adverse effect on historic properties and that the execution of a MOA and Archaeological Research Design and Treatment Plan is appropriate to reduce the severity of the adverse effect to archaeological site CA-ALA-576.

Public Comment

No one from the public spoke to the item.

The HPC appreciates the opportunity to participate in review of this environmental document.

Sincerely,

Charles Chase, President
Historic Preservation Commission

ATTACHMENTS

Planning Department staff report for Case No. 2006.1388F