## CITY OF MOUNTAIN VIEW RESOLUTION NO. 18753 SERIES 2023

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MOUNTAIN VIEW
ADOPTING A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION
FOR ANNUAL WATER MAIN REPLACEMENT, PROJECT 19-21:
PRESSURE REDUCING VALVE INSTALLATION ON NORTH WHISMAN ROAD
AND EVANDALE AVENUE; WHITNEY DRIVE, WHITNEY COURT,
AND PARKER COURT WATER MAIN REPLACEMENTS,
IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT

WHEREAS, prior to the adoption of this Resolution, the City of Mountain View prepared an Initial Study and approved for circulation a Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Annual Water Main Replacement Project: Pressure Reducing Valve Installation on North Whisman Road and Evandale Avenue; Whitney Drive, Whitney Court, and Parker Court Water Main Replacements (the "Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration") in accordance with the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act of 1970, together with State guidelines implementing said Act, all as amended to date (collectively "CEQA"); and

WHEREAS, the Annual Water Main Replacement Project: Pressure Reducing Valve Installation of North Whisman Road and Evandale Avenue; Whitney Drive, Whitney Court, and Parker Court Water Main Replacements (the "Project"), analyzed under the Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration, is to install a pressure reducing valve (PRV) and vault on North Whisman Road and Evandale Avenue and replace aging water mains on Whitney Drive, Whitney Court, and Parker Court. A more detailed description of the Project is set forth in the Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration; and

WHEREAS, the draft Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration includes mitigation measures to reduce potentially significant environmental impacts due to implementation of the Project to a less-than-significant level; and

WHEREAS, the draft Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration was made available for public comment from June 9, 2022 through July 11, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the City of Mountain View did not receive any public comments and prepared a final Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration which is unchanged from the draft Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration; and

WHEREAS, to facilitate implementation of all identified mitigation measures, a Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program was prepared to identify the timing of, and the agency responsible for, monitoring of each mitigation measure to be implemented to reduce significant impacts to a less-than-significant level; and

WHEREAS, the City of Mountain View is the lead agency on the Project, and the City Council is the decision-making body for the proposed approval of the Project; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has reviewed and considered the Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration and Intends to take actions on the Project in compliance with CEQA; and

WHEREAS, the Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration and the Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program for the Project, attached hereto and incorporated herein as Exhibit A, are on file at the City of Mountain View and available for inspection by any interested person; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: that the City Council finds the Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration prepared for the Project has been completed in compliance with CEQA; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: that the City Council finds on the basis of the whole record before the City Council, including the Initial Study, that the Project will have no significant effect on the environment if the Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program is implemented; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: that the City Council finds the Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration reflects the independent judgment and analysis of the City of Mountain View; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: that the Public Works Director, at 500 Castro Street, First Floor, Mountain View, California, 94041, is designated as the custodian of documents and records of proceedings on which this decision is based; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: that the City Council hereby adopts the Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Project.

The foregoing resolution was regularly introduced and adopted at a Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Mountain View, duly held on the 24th day of January 2023, by the following vote:

AYES:

Councilmembers Abe-Koga, Kamei, Matichak, Ramirez, Vice Mayor

Showalter, and Mayor Hicks

NOES:

None

ABSENT:

None

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

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MAYOR

Pursuant to Mountain View Charter § 709(b), I do hereby certify that the foregoing is an original or a correct copy of the Resolution passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Mountain View at a Regular Meeting held on the 24th day of January 2023, by the foregoing vote.

City Clerk

City of Mountain View

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Exhibit:

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Final Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration



## memo san jose

- to Toni Eguilos, Assistant Engineer, City of Mountain View Public Works Department
- from Christina Lau, Project Manager
- re Final IS/MND for Annual Water Main Replacement, Project 19-21: PRV Installation on North Whisman Road and Evandale Avenue; Whitney Drive, Whitney Court, and Parker Court Water Main Replacements Project
- date December 9, 2022

This memo was prepared as an informational document for the City of Mountain View for the Annual Water Main Replacement, Project 19-21: PRV Installation on North Whisman Road and Evandale Avenue; Whitney Drive, Whitney Court, and Parker Court Water Main Replacements Project. The purpose of this Final Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) Memo is to summarize the public review process for the project. This Final IS/MND Memo and Attachments, together with the Draft IS/MND (June 2022), comprise the CEQA environmental review for the project.

Section 15074(b) of the CEQA Guidelines states, "Prior to approving a project, the decision-making body of the lead agency shall consider the proposed mitigated negative declaration together with any comments received during the public review process. The decision-making body shall adopt the proposed mitigated negative declaration only if it finds on the basis of the whole record before it (including the Initial Study and any comments received), that there is no substantial evidence that the project will have a significant effect on the environment and that the mitigated negative declaration reflects the lead agency's independent judgment and analysis."

The 30-day public review period for the draft IS/MND began on June 9, 2022 and closed on July 11, 2022. The Notice of Intent (NOI) was filed at the Santa Clara County Clerk's office on June 9, 2022 (Attachment B) and published in the Palo Alto Daily Post on June 9, 2022 (Attachment C). The document was also submitted for State Agency review with the State Clearinghouse (SCH#2022060188).

No written comments were received from any state or local agency, or the public during the comment period. No errata or text changes are necessary for the IS/MND as a result of the public review process.

Attachment A: Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Plan (MMRP)

Attachment B: Notice of Intent County and Filing Receipts

Attachment C: Palo Alto Daily Post Notice

#### Attachment A

# Annual Water Main Replacement, Project 19-21: PRV Installation on North Whisman Road and Evandale Avenue; Whitney Drive, Whitney Court, and Parker Court Water Main Replacements

#### MITIGATION MONITORING AND REPORTING PROGRAM

This Mitigation, Monitoring and Reporting Program (MMRP) has been prepared pursuant to the CEQA Guidelines, which state:

"When adopting a mitigated negative declaration, the lead agency shall also adopt a program for reporting on or monitoring the changes which it has either required in the project or made a condition of approval to mitigate or avoid significant environmental effects" (§15074(d)) and;

"The Lead Agency may choose whether its program will monitor mitigation, report on mitigation, or both. "Reporting" generally consists of a written compliance review that is presented to the decision-making body or authorized staff person. A report may be required at various stages during project implementation or upon completion of the mitigation measure. "Monitoring" is generally an ongoing or periodic process of project oversight. There is often no clear distinction between monitoring and reporting and the program best suited to ensuring compliance in any given instance will usually involve elements of both." (§15097 (c))

The table beginning on the next page list the impacts, mitigation measures, and timing of the mitigation measures (when the measures will be implemented) related to the City of Mountain View's Annual Water Main Replacement, Project 19-21: PRV Installation on North Whisman Road and Evandale Avenue; Whitney Drive, Whitney Court, and Parker Court Water Main Replacements. All mitigation measures listed here will be implemented by the City and its contractors.

According to CEQA Guidelines section 15126.4 (a) (2), "Mitigation measures must be fully enforceable through permit conditions, agreements, or other legally-binding instruments. In the case of the adoption of a plan, policy, regulation, or other public project, mitigation measures can be incorporated into the plan, policy, regulation, or project design." Therefore, all mitigation measures as listed in this MMRP will be adopted by the City when the project is approved.

Attachment A

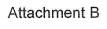
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Impact BIO-1: Project construction could impact nesting birds if construct on takes place during the nesting season.	Mitigation Measure BIO-1: If construction, demolition, major renovation, or removal of trees and shrubs occurs between February 1 and August 31, preactivity surveys for nesting birds shall be conducted by a qualified biologist provided by the City. These surveys shall be conducted no more than seven (7) calendar days prior to the initiation of these activities in any given area.  During each survey, the biologist shall inspect all potential nesting habitats (e.g., trees, shrubs, and buildings) within the work area, as well as within 300' of the work area for raptor nests and within 100' of the work area for nests of nonraptors.  If active nests are found sufficiently close to work areas that may be disturbed by construction activities, the biologist, in coordination with the California Department of Fish and Wildlife, shall determine the extent of a Wildlife Buffer Zone, a disturbance-free buffer zone to be established around the nest(s). Have a substantial adverse effect on any ribarian habitat or other sensitive natural community identified in local or regional plans, policies, regulations or by the California Department of Fish and Wildlife Service.	Implementation: City of Mountain View or its contractor shall implement this measure with a qualified biologist Timing: During construction activities.	Monitoring: City of Mountain View and a qualified biologist. Initials:  Date:
Impact CUL-1: Construction of the project could result in disturbance to both recorded and unknown archaeological resources.	Mitigation Measure CUL-1a: Inadvertent Discovery of Archaeological Resources. The City shall retain a Professional Archaeologist on an "oncall" basis during ground disturbing construction activities to review, identify and evaluate any potential cultural resources that may be inadvertently exposed during construction. The Professional Archaeologist shall review and evaluate any discoveries to determine if they are historical resource(s) and/or unique archaeological resources under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).  If the Professional Archaeologist determines that any cultural resources exposed during construction constitute a historical resource and/or unique archaeological resource under CEQA, he/she shall notify the City and other appropriate parties of the evaluation and recommend mitigation measures to mitigate to a less-than significant impact in accordance with California Public Resources Code Section 15064.5. Mitigation measures may include	Implementation: The City of Mountain View shall implement this measure with a qualified Archeologist Timing: During construction activities.	Monitoring: City of Mountain View. In the event archaeological resources are discovered, a qualified archaeologist shall write a report detailing their findings and submit it to the

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	avoidance preservation in-place, recordation, additional archaeological testing and data recovery among other options. The completion of a formal Archaeological Monitoring Plan (AMP) and/or Archaeological Treatment Plan (ATP) that may include data recovery may be recommended by the Professional Archaeologist if significant archaeological deposits are exposed during ground disturbing construction. Development and implementation of the AMP and ATP and treatment of significant cultural resources will be determined by the City in consultation with any regulatory agencies.  A Monitoring Closure Report shall be filed with the City at the conclusion of ground disturbing construction if archaeological and Native American monitoring of excavation was undertaken.		City of Mountain View. Initials: Date:
	Mitigation Measure CUL-1b: Tribal Cultural Resources Awareness Training. Pror to the start of ground disturbing construction activities, the City shall implement a Worker Awareness Environmental Training (WAET) program for cultural resources at Location 3 (Whitney Drive, Whitney Court, and Parker Court construction sites).  Training shall be required for all personnel participating in ground disturbing construction to alert them to the archaeological sensitivity of the project area and provide protocols to follow in the event of a discovery of archaeological materials. A Professional Archaeologist shall develop and distribute for job site posting an "ALERT SHEET" summarizing potential finds that could be exposed and the protocols to be followed as well as points of contact to alert in the event of a discovery. Training shall be scheduled at the discretion of the contractor in consultation with the City.	Implementation: City of Mountain View or its contractor shall implement this measure with a qualified archaeologist Timing: During construction activities.	Monitoring: City of Mountain View and a qualified archeologist Initials: Date:

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Impact CUL-2: Project excavation could disturb previously unknown buried archaeological resources and/or human remains.	Mitigation Measure CUL-2a: Construction Plans. The City of Mountain View shall note on any plans that require ground disturbing excavation that there is a potential for exposing buried cultural resources including prehistoric Native American burials. Significant prehistoric cultural resources are defined as human burials, features or other clusterings of finds made, modified or used by Native American peoples in the past. The prehistoric and protoh storic indicators of prior cultural occupation by Native Americans include artifacts and human bone, as well as soil discoloration, shell, animal bone, sandstone cobbles, ashy areas, and baked or vitrified clays. Prehistoric materials may include:  a. Human bone - either isolated or intact burials.  b. Habitation (occupation or ceremonial structures as interpreted from rock rings/features, distinct ground depressions, differences in compaction (e.g., house floors).	Implementation: The City of Mountain View shall implement this measure Timing: During construction activities.	Monitoring: City of Mountain View and a qualified archeologist Initials: Date:
	Mitigation Measure CUL-2b: Inadvertent Discovery of Human Remains. In accordance with Section 7050.5, Chapter 1492 of the California Health and Safety Code and Sections 5097.94, 5097.98 and 5097.99 of the Public Resources Code, if potential human remains are found, the lead agency (City of Mountain View) staff and the Santa Clara County Coroner shall be immediately notified of the discovery. The coroner would provide a determination regarding the nature of the remains within 48 hours of notification. No further excavation or disturbance of the identified material, or any area reasonably suspected to overlie additional remains, can occur until a determination has been made. If the County Coroner determines that the remains are or are believed to be, of Native American ancestry, the coroner would notify the Native American Heritage Commission (NAHC) within 24 hours. In accordance with California Public Resources Code, Section 5097.93, the Native American Heritage Commission must immediately notify those persons it believes to be the Most Likely Descendant from the deceased Native American. Within 48 hours of this	Implementation: The City of Mountain View or its contractor shall implement this measure Timing: Measures to be implemented during construction.	Monitoring: City of Mountain View. In the event human remains are discovered the County Coroner shall be notified and if appropriate, the Coroner would notify the NAHC. The NAHC would in turn notify the MLD.

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Impact GEO-1: Project construction could unearth paleontological resources, including fossils.	Mitigation Measure GEO-1: Stop-work provision. If paleontological resources are discovered during construction, ground-disturbing activities shall halt immediately until a qualified paleontologist can assess the significance of the discovery. Depending on determinations made by the paleontologist work may either be allowed to continue once the discovery has been recorded, or if recommended by the paleontologist, recovery of the resource may be required, in which ground-disturbing activity within the area of the find would be temporarily halted until the resource has been recovered. If treatment and salvage is required, recommendations shall be consistent with Society of Vertebrate Paleontology guidelines and current professional standards.  The City of Mountain View shall ensure that information on the nature, location, and depth of all finds is readily available to the scientific community through university curation or other appropriate means.	Implementation: The City of Mountain View or its contractor shall implement this measure. Timing: Measures to be implemented during construction	Monitoring: City of Mountain View. In the event paleontological rescurces are encountered, a paleontologist shall be contacted to evaluate the find. Initials:





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## Notice of Intent to Adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration

Project Title: Annual Water Main Replacement, Project 19-21: PRV Installation on North Whisman Road and Evandale Avenue; Whitney Drive, Whitney Court, and Parker Court Water Main Replacements

City/County: City of Mountain View, Santa Clara County, California

Public Review Period: June 9, 2022 to July 11, 2022

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Mountain View (City) has prepared a Draft Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) for the Annual Water Main Replacement, Project 19-21: PRV installation on North Whisman Road and Evandale Avenue; Whitney Drive, Whitney Court, and Parker Court Water Main Replacements, which is available beginning on June 9, 2022 for review and comment by the public and all interested persons, agencies, and organizations for a period of 30 days, ending on July 11, 2022. All comments on the Draft MND must be received by that date.

Project Location: The project sites are located in the City of Mountain View near the Intersection of North Whisman Road and Evandale Avenue, as well as on Whitney Drive, Whitney Court, and Parker Court.

Project Description: The City is Implementing a project Identified in their Annual Water and Sewer Main Replacements, Projects 19-21 and 19-22 which includes Installing a pressure reducing valve near the intersection of North Whisman Road and Evandale Avenue and replacing water mains on Whitney Drive (1,200 linear feet), Whitney Court (125 linear feet) and Parker Court (124 linear feet). These proposed improvements would occur within existing road rights-of-way. The purpose of the project is to provide updated facilities and to meet future demand and fire flow requirements per the amended Bayshore Precise Plan and various utility impact studies from future developments and to replace aged facilities.

Potentially Significant Environmental Effects: Potentially significant impacts in the following areas are discussed in the Mitigated Negative Declaration: Biological Resources, Cultural and Tribal Cultural Resources, and Geology and Solls. Each potentially significant effect is reduced to a less-than-significant level through mitigation.

Public Review and Comment: Comments on the Draft MND must be received by July 11, 2022. The document will be available for review on the City of Mountain View Website: <a href="https://www.mountainview.gov/depts/pw/projects/interceptor-force-trunk-main-rehabilitation-proje-ct.asp">https://www.mountainview.gov/depts/pw/projects/interceptor-force-trunk-main-rehabilitation-proje-ct.asp</a>. An electronic or paper copy of the Draft MND can be requested by contacting Toni Eguilos at 650-903-6097 or Toni.Eguilos@mountainview.gov. Comments on the Draft MND may be submitted in writing to: Toni Eguilos, City of Mountain View, Public Works Division, 231 N. Whisman Road, Mountain View, CA 94043 or Toni.Eguilos@mountainview.gov.

## Attachment C

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Notice of Intent to Adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Annual Water Main Replacement, Project 19-21: PRV Installation on Whitney Drive, Whitney Court, and Parker Court Water Main Replacements Project

The City of Mountain View has directed the preparation of a draft Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) for the Annual Water Main Replacement, Project 19-21: PRV Installation on Whitney Drive, Whitney Court, and Parker Court Water Main Replacements Project, prepared pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act.

The City is implementing a project identified in their Annual Water and Sewer Main Replacements, Projects 19-21 and 19-22 which includes installing a pressure reducing valve near the intersection of North Whisman Road and Evandale Avenue and replacing water mains on Whitney Drive (1,200 linear feet), Whitney Court (125 linear feet) and Parker Court (124 linear feet). These proposed improvements would occur within existing road rights-of-way. The purpose of the project is to provide updated facilities and to meet future demand and fire flow requirements per the North Bayshore Precise Plan 2.0 and various utility impact studies from future developments and to replace aged facilities.

Public review of the draft MND and supporting documents will begin on June 9, 2022, and will continue for 30 days, until July 11, 2022. The document will be available for review on the City of Mountain View website: https://www.mountainview.gov/depts/pw/projects/annual\_water\_and\_sewer\_main\_replacements\_project.asp.

An electronic or paper copy of the draft MND can be requested by contacting Toni Eguilos at 650-903-6097 or email Toni.Eguilos@mountainview.gov. Comments on the draft MND may be submitted in writing to: Toni Eguilos, City of Mountain View, Public Works Division, 231 N. Whisman Road, Mountain View, CA 94043 or Toni. Equilos@mountainview.gov.

## Annual Water Main Replacement, Project 19-21: PRV Installation on North Whisman Road and Evandale Avenue; Whitney Drive, Whitney Court, and Parker Court Water Main Replacements

Initial Study / Mitigated Negative Declaration



June 2022



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## **Draft Mitigated Negative Declaration**

**Project:** Annual Water Main Replacement, Project 19-21: PRV Installation on North Whisman Road and Evandale Avenue; Whitney Drive, Whitney Court, and Parker Court Water Main Replacements

Project Proponent: City of Mountain View

Public Works Department, 231 N. Whisman Road Mountain View, CA 94043

**Property Owner:** City of Mountain View

Public Works Department 231 N. Whlsman Road Mountain View, CA 94043

Lead Agency: City of Mountain View, 500 Castro Street, Mountain View, CA 94041

**Availability of Documents:** The Initial Study for this Mitigated Negative Declaration is available for review at:

https://www.mountainview.gov/depts/pw/projects/annual water and sewer main replacements project.asp

Contact – Toni Eguilos, Assistant Engineer, Public Works Department, Public Services Division, (650) 903-6097, Toni. Eguilos@mountainview.gov

#### PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The project addressed in this Initial Study is part of the City of Mountain View's Annual Water and Sewer Main Replacements program (Projects 19-21 and 19-22) and involves the proposed installation of a new pressure reducing valve and replacement of the existing water mains at three locations, as described below.

The project proposes the installation of a new pressure reducing valve (PRV) to move water from Pressure Zone 2 to Pressure Zone 1. This improvement is needed to meet future domestic and fire flow demands for the North Bayshore Precise Plan area and to meet flow requirements identified by various utility impact studies from future developments located within Zone 1. The proposed location of the new valve facility is in the southbound lane of North Whisman Road, just before the intersection with Evandale Avenue.

In addition to the new PRV installation, the project includes the replacement of several existing water mains, including 615 linear feet of six-inch and 633 linear feet of eight-inch diameter cast iron pipes (CIP) in Whitney Drive, 125 linear feet of 4-inch CIP at Whitney Court, and 124 linear feet of four-inch CIP in Parker Court. Although the City standard minimum diameter for new water mains with fire hydrant connections is eight inches, final pipe size will be determined during final design and could be larger than eight inches.

#### PROPOSED FINDINGS

The City of Mountain View (City) has reviewed the attached Initial Study and determined that the Initial Study identifies potentially significant project effects, but:

- 1. Revisions to the project plans incorporated herein as mitigation would avoid or mitigate the effects to a point where no significant effects would occur; and
- 2. There is no substantial evidence, in light of the whole record before the agency, that the Project may have a significant effect on the environment. Therefore, pursuant to California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines Sections 15064(f)(3) and 15070(b), a Mitigated Negative Declaration has been prepared for consideration as the appropriate CEQA document for the Project.

#### BASIS OF FINDINGS

Based on the environmental evaluation presented in the attached Initial Study, the project would not cause significant adverse effects related to; air quality, aesthetics, agricultural and forestry resources, air quality, energy, greenhouse gas emissions, hazards and hazardous emissions, hydrology and water quality, land use and planning, mineral resources, noise, population and housing, public services, recreation, transportation, utilities/service systems, and wildfire. The project does not have impacts that are individually limited, but cumulatively considerable.

The environmental evaluation has determined that the project would have potentially significant impacts on biological resources, cultural and tribal cultural resources, and geology and soils, as described below.

### **Mitigation Measures**

The project could result in significant adverse effects to biological resources, cultural resources, and tribal cultural resources. However, the project includes the mitigation measures listed below, which reduce these impacts to a less-than-significant level. With implementation of these mitigation measures, the project would not substantially degrade the quality of the environment, 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, or substantially reduce the number or restrict the range of a rare or endangered plant or animal. Nor would the project cause substantial adverse effects on humans, either directly or indirectly.

#### Mitigation Measures Incorporated into the Project:

**Measure BIO-1**: If construction, demolition, major renovation, or removal of trees and shrubs occurs between February 1 and August 31, preactivity surveys for nesting birds shall be conducted by a qualified biologist provided by the City. These surveys shall be conducted no more than seven (7) calendar days prior to the initiation of these activities in any given area.

During each survey, the biologist shall inspect all potential nesting habitats (e.g., trees, shrubs, and buildings) within the work area, as well as within 300' of the work area for raptor nests and within 100' of the work area for nests of nonraptors.

If active nests are found sufficiently close to work areas that may be disturbed by construction activities, the biologist, in coordination with the California Department of Fish and Wildlife, shall determine the extent of a Wildlife Buffer Zone, a disturbance-free buffer zone to be established around the nest(s).

Mitigation Measure CUL-1a: Inadvertent Discovery of Archaeological Resources. The City shall retain a Professional Archaeologist on an "on- call" basis during ground disturbing construction activities to review, identify and evaluate any potential cultural resources that may be inadvertently exposed during construction. The Professional Archaeologist shall review and evaluate any discoveries to determine if they are historical resource(s) and/or unique archaeological resources under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

If the Professional Archaeologist determines that any cultural resources exposed during construction constitute a historical resource and/or unique archaeological resource under CEQA, he/she shall notify the City and other appropriate parties of the evaluation and recommend mitigation measures to mitigate to a less-than significant impact in accordance with California Public Resources Code Section 15064.5. Mitigation measures may include avoidance, preservation in-place, recordation, additional archaeological testing and data recovery among other options. The completion of a formal Archaeological Monitoring Plan (AMP) and/or Archaeological Treatment Plan (ATP) that may include data recovery may be recommended by the Professional Archaeologist if significant archaeological deposits are exposed during ground disturbing construction. Development and implementation of the AMP and ATP and treatment of significant cultural resources will be determined by the City in consultation with any regulatory agencies.

A Monitoring Closure Report shall be filed with the City at the conclusion of ground disturbing construction if archaeological and Native American monitoring of excavation was undertaken.

Mitigation Measure CUL-1b: Tribal Cultural Resources Awareness Training. Prior to the start of ground disturbing construction activities, the City shall implement a Worker Awareness Environmental Training (WAET) program for cultural resources at Location 3 (Whitney Drive, Whitney Court, and Parker Court construction sites).

Training shall be required for all personnel participating in ground disturbing construction to alert them to the archaeological sensitivity of the project area and provide protocols to follow in the event of a discovery of archaeological materials. A Professional Archaeologist shall develop and distribute for job site posting an "ALERT SHEET" summarizing potential finds that could be exposed and the protocols to be followed as well as points of contact to alert in the event of a discovery. Training shall be scheduled at the discretion of the contractor in consultation with the City.

Mitigation Measure CUL-2a: Construction Plans. The City of Mountain View shall note on any plans that require ground disturbing excavation that there is a potential for exposing buried cultural resources including prehistoric Native American burials. Significant prehistoric cultural resources are defined as human burials, features or other clusterings of finds made, modified or used by Native American peoples in the past. The prehistoric and protohistoric indicators of prior cultural occupation by Native Americans include artifacts and human bone, as well as soil discoloration, shell, animal bone, sandstone cobbles, ashy areas, and baked or vitrified clays. Prehistoric materials may include:

a. Human bone - either isolated or intact burials.

b. Habitation (occupation or ceremonial structures as interpreted from rock rings/features, distinct ground depressions, differences in compaction (e.g., house floors).

Mitigation Measure CUL-2b: Inadvertent Discovery of Human Remains. In accordance with Section 7050.5 of the California Health and Safety Code, if potential human remains are found, the lead agency (City of Mountain View) staff and the Santa Clara County Coroner shall be immediately notified of the discovery. The coroner would provide a determination regarding the nature of the remains within 48 hours of notification. No further excavation or disturbance of the identified material, or any area reasonably suspected to overlie additional remains, can occur until a determination has been made. If the County Coroner determines that the remains are, or are believed to be, of Native American ancestry, the coroner would notify the Native American Heritage Commission within 24 hours. In accordance with California Public Resources Code, Section 5097.98, the Native American Heritage Commission must immediately notify those persons it believes to be the Most Likely Descendant from the deceased Native American. Within 48 hours of this notification, the Most Likely Descendant would recommend to the lead agency their preferred treatment of the remains and associated grave goods.

Impact GEO-1: Project construction could unearth paleontological resources, including fossils.

Mitigation Measure GEO1: Stop-work Provision. If paleontological resources are discovered during construction, ground-disturbing activities shall halt immediately until a qualified paleontologist can assess the significance of the discovery. Depending on determinations made by the paleontologist, work may either be allowed to continue once the discovery has been recorded, or if recommended by the paleontologist, recovery of the resource may be required, in which ground-disturbing activity within the area of the find would be temporarily halted until the resource has been recovered. If treatment and salvage is required, recommendations shall be consistent with Society of Vertebrate Paleontology guidelines and current professional standards.

The City will ensure that information on the nature, location, and depth of all finds is readily available to the scientific community through university curation or other appropriate means.

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## **Chapter 1. Introduction**

This Initial Study (IS) evaluates the potential environmental effects of a project to construct a new pressure reducing valve (PRV) at the intersection of North Whisman Road and Evandale Avenue and replace existing water mains at Whitney Drive and Parker Court in the City of Mountain View. These proposed activities constitute a project under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

The City of Mountain View (City) is the CEQA Lead Agency for the project. No responsible agencies have been identified.

## 1.1 PROJECT BACKGROUND AND OVERVIEW

The City is implementing a project identified in their Annual Water and Sewer Main Replacements Project 19-21 to install a pressure reducing valve (PRV) near the intersection of North Whisman Road and Evandale Avenue and replacing water mains on Whitney Drive (approximately 1,200 linear feet), Whitney Court (approximately 125 linear feet) and Parker Court (approximately 124 linear feet) in the City of Mountain View. These proposed improvements would occur within existing road rights-of-way. The project addressed in this Initial Study is part of a larger project; Annual Water and Sanitary Sewer Main Replacements Projects 19-21 and 19-22.

The purpose of the project is to provide updated facilities and to meet future demand and fire flow requirements per the amended North Bayshore Precise Plan and various utility impact studies from future developments and to replace aged facilities.

#### 1.2 REGULATORY GUIDANCE

The California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA; Public Resources Code § 21000 et seq.) and the CEQA Guidelines (14 CCR §15000 et seq.) establish the City as the lead agency for the project. The lead agency is defined in CEQA Guidelines Section 15367 as, "the public agency which has the principal responsibility for carrying out or approving a project." The lead agency is responsible for preparing the appropriate environmental review document under CEQA. The Mountain View City Council serves as the decision-making body for the City and is responsible for adopting the CEQA document and approving the project.

CEQA Guidelines Section 15070 states that a public agency shall prepare a proposed Negative Declaration or a Mitigated Negative Declaration when:

- 1. The Initial Study shows that there is no substantial evidence, in light of the whole record before the agency, that the project may have a significant effect on the environment, or
- 2. The Initial Study identifies potentially significant effects, but:
  - Revisions in the project plans made before a proposed Mitigated Negative
    Declaration and Initial Study are released for public review would avoid the effects or
    mitigate the effects to a point where no significant effects would occur, and
  - There is no substantial evidence, in light of the whole record before the agency, that the project as revised may have a significant effect on the environment.

Pursuant to Section 15070, the City has determined a Mitigated Negative Declaration is the appropriate environmental review document for the project.

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To ensure that the mitigation measures and project revisions identified in a Mitigated Negative Declaration are implemented, CEQA Guidelines Section 15097(a) requires the City to adopt a program for monitoring or reporting on the revisions which it has required in the project and the measures it has imposed to mitigate or avoid significant environmental effects. The City shall prepare a Mitigation, Monitoring and Reporting Plan based on the mitigation measures contained in this IS/MND.

#### 1.3 LEAD AGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION

The lead agency for the project is the City of Mountain View. The contact person for the lead agency is:

Toni Fguilos, Assistant Engineer Public Works Department, Public Services Division City of Mountain View 231 N. Whisman Road Mountain View, CA 94043 Phone: (650) 903-6097

Email: Toni.Eguilos@mountainview.gov

### 1.4 DOCUMENT PURPOSE AND ORGANIZATION

The purpose of this document is to evaluate the potential environmental effects of the proposed pressure reducing valve and water mains installations. This document is organized as follows:

- Chapter 1 Introduction. This chapter introduces the project and describes the purpose and organization of this document.
- Chapter 2 Project Description. This chapter describes the project location, area, site, objectives, and characteristics.
- Chapter 3 Environmental Checklist and Responses. This chapter contains the Environmental Checklist that identifies the significance of potential environmental impacts (by environmental issue) and a brief discussion of each impact resulting from implementation of the proposed project. This chapter also contains the Mandatory Findings of Significance.
- Chapter 4 Report Preparation. This chapter provides a list of those involved in the preparation of this document.
- Appendices

## **Chapter 2. Project Description**

#### 2.1 PROJECT PURPOSE

The purpose of the project is to provide updated facilities and to meet future demand and fire flow requirements per the amended North Bayshore Precise Plan and various utility impact studies from future developments. The project addressed in this Initial Study is part of a larger project; Annual Water and Sanitary Sewer Main Replacements, Projects 19-21 and 19-22.

### 2.2 PROJECT LOCATION AND SITE DESCRIPTION

The project is located in the northern part of the City of Mountain View, north of El Camino Real, but south of State Route 101. The PRV would be installed near the intersection of North Whisman Road and Evandale Avenue and the water mains would be replaced on Whitney Drive between Mayfield Avenue and Hamilton Drive, Whitney Court, and Parker Court (see Figure 1 Project Location). The PRV location is located near medium-high density residential, high density residential, and high intensity office park uses, while the main replacements would occur in a single-family residential neighborhood. All construction activities would occur within existing street rights-of- way.

#### 2.3 PROPOSED PROJECT

The project analyzed in this Initial Study includes the following improvements:

#### Pressure Reducing Valve

The new PRV would be located underground in the southbound lane of North Whisman Road just north of Evandale Avenue (Figure 2 and Figure 3). The PRV installation would require disturbance of an area approximately 120 square feet in size with a maximum depth of six feet.

## Water Main Replacements

See Figure 4 for the mapped locations of the proposed water main replacements.

Whitney Drive – Approximately 1,200 linear feet of six- to eight-inch cast iron pipe (CIP) water mains would be abandoned and replaced with new eight-inch polyvinyl chloride (PVC). A total of 24 service laterals and associated water meters would also be replaced. See site photos in Figure 5

Whitney Court – Approximately 125 linear feet of 4-inch CIP would be abandoned and replaced with 6-inch PVC. Three service laterals and associated water meters would also be replaced. See site photos in Figure 6.

Parker Court – Approximately 124 linear feet of 4-inch CIP would be abandoned and replaced with 6-inch PVC. Four service laterals and associated water meters would also be replaced. See site photos in Figure 7.

## Construction

The proposed project is anticipated to start construction in early 2023 and take approximately three months to complete. The PRV and mains will be constructed using open trench excavation.

Construction includes the following phases: trenching, installation of vault or piping, backfill, and pavement restoration.

The project is estimated to disturb a total of approximately 4,400 square feet of land including:

- PRV: approximately 120 square feet
- Whitney Drive 3,600 square feet (1,200 feet long by 3 feet wide)
- Whitey Court: 375 square feet (125 feet long by 3 feet wide)
- Parker Court: approximately 372 square feet (124 feet long by 3 feet wide)

Earthwork quantities are estimated in cubic yards (CY) as follows:

- Approximate cut: 1,000 CY
- Approximate fill: 1,000 CY
- Approximate net: 0 CY of cut

Total off-haul (cut) is estimated at approximately 1,000 CY of soil. The project also anticipates an estimated 80 CY of asphalt and 500 CY of base rock. Assuming a capacity of nine CY per truck, this would result in approximately 112 round trips for the off-haul, 9 round trips for the import of asphalt and 55 round trips for the import of base rock over the three-month construction period.

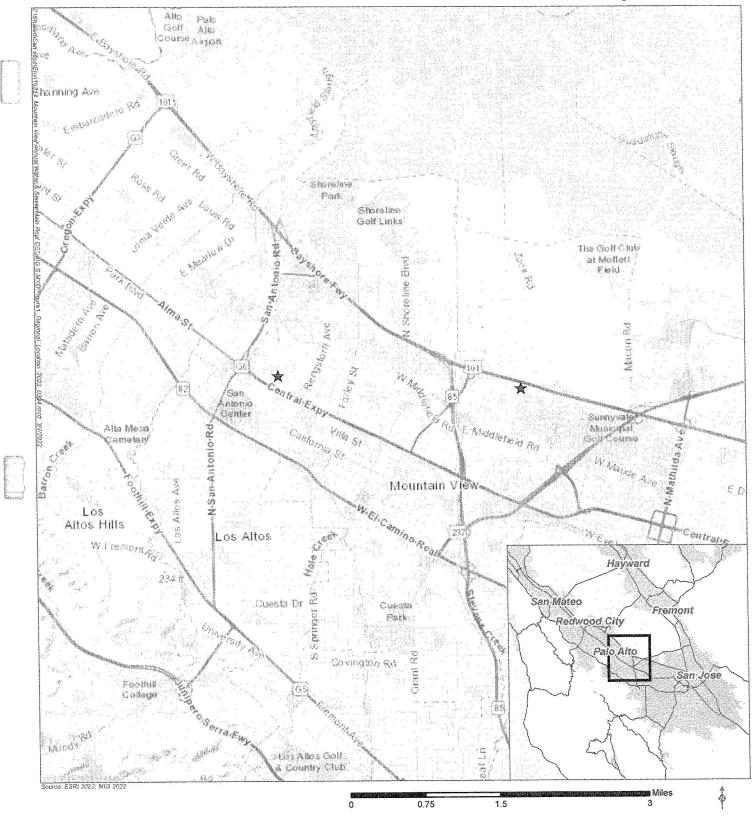
The expected construction equipment type and numbers of days in use for the project are as follows:

Table 2-1. Project Construction Equipment Estimates				
Equipment Type	No. on Site	No. of Working Days In Use		
Excavator, bobcat	1	1 month		

On average, the project expects approximately five construction workers on site for the duration of the construction period. Project plan specifications include an erosion control plan which describes the measures for erosion and sediment control, tracking control, non-stormwater management control (including, but not limited to, dewatering operations, paving and grinding operations, illicit connections/discharge, and non-stormwater discharges), waste management and materials pollution control (spill prevention and control, solid, liquid, and hazardous waste management, etc.)

Staging areas are not yet identified in the project plans, however this analysis assumes staging would occur in already developed areas and would not require ground disturbance or tree trimming/removal. Public road or lane closures are not anticipated to accommodate the proposed construction. The contractor will be required to prepare contractor will prepare temporary traffic control plan to divert traffic, pedestrians and bicycles from work area within existing streets.

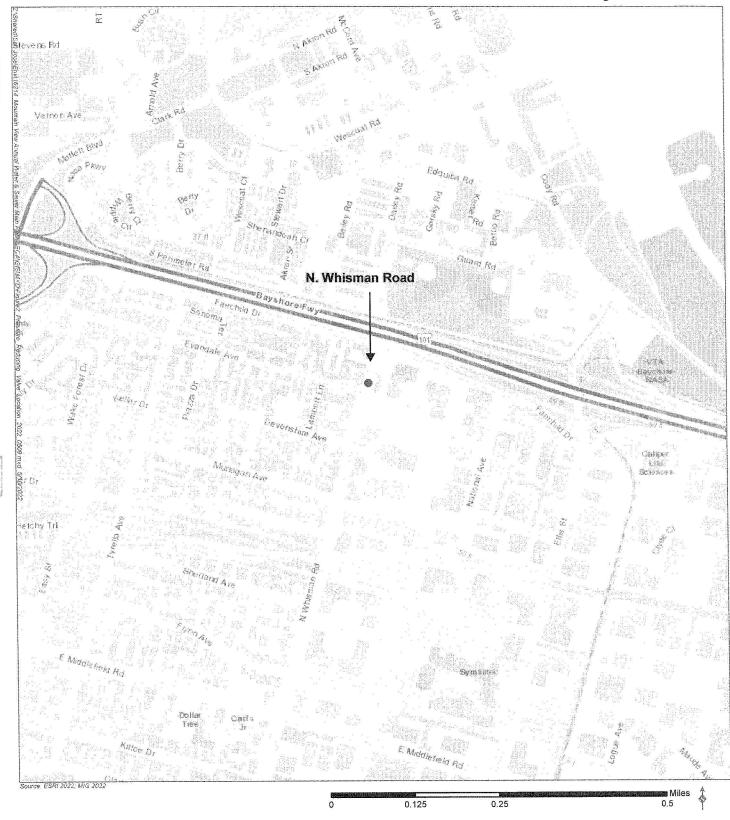
Normal construction hours would be limited to 7:30 AM to 4:00 PM Monday through Friday and no construction on Saturday or Sunday unless prior approval is granted, consistent with the City's noise regulations for construction hours (Municipal Code Chapter 8.70).



★ Project Locations

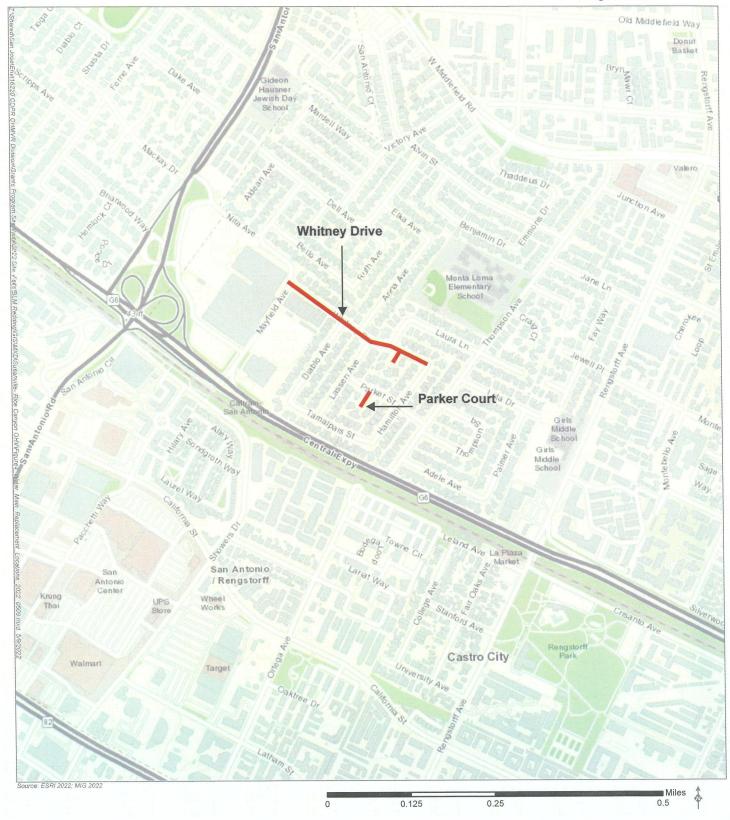












## Figure 5 Site Photographs

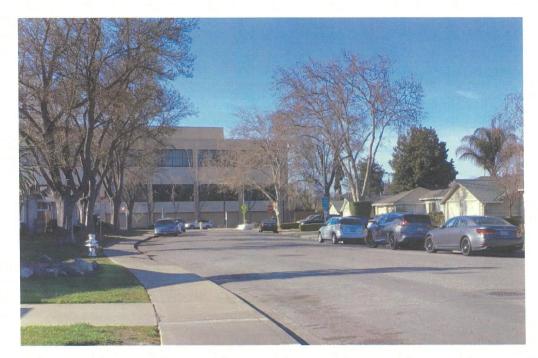


Photo 1. Viewing northwest along Whitney Drive.



Photo 2. Viewing southeast along Whitney Drive.

## Figure 6 Site Photographs



Photo 3. Viewing southwest at Whitney Court from Whitney Drive.



Photo 4. Viewing southwest at Parker Court from Parker Street.

## Figure 7 Site Photographs



Photo 5. Viewing northeast along North Whisman Road from Evandale Avenue.



Photo 6. Viewing southwest along North Whisman Road towards Evandale Avenue.

#### 2.4 STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS

The project plans contain the following project-specific and City of Mountain View specifications that will be applied to the project. Because these specifications are included on the project plans they are considered part of the project and not mitigation. Table 2-2 lists the project-specific and City of Mountain View Specifications that would be applied to the project that help avoid or reduce potential project impacts.

Table 2-2: Standard Specifications Applicable to the Project

Impact Section	Best Management Practice
Dust Control – Construction Notes Specification 9	At all times during construction and until final completion and acceptance of the work, the contractor shall prevent the formation of an airborne dust nuisance in such a manner that it will contain dust particles to the immediate surface of the work per Section 5-10 of the Standard Provisions.  The contractor shall perform such treatment within 2 hours after notification by the City that an airborne nuisance exists.
Construction Noise - Construction Notes Specification 26	Noise working hour restrictions.  In order to limit disturbing noises, construction work shall occur only between the hours of 7:30 AM and 4:00 PM, Monday through Friday, excluding holidays. Work outside of these hours is prohibited, unless the city grants an exception. Exceptions will be considered only when, in the opinion of the Public Works Director, construction during normal construction hours would inconvenience the public and neighboring residents more than working outside of these hours. Exceptions will not be granted merely to expedite the construction work.
Discharge to curbside gutter, storm sewer, storm drain or natural outlets.  Mountain View Municipal Code Chapter 35.31.3.1	It shall be unlawful to discharge or cause a threatened discharge to any curbside gutter, storm sewer, storm drain gutter, creek or natural outlet any domestic sewage, sanitary sewage, industrial wastes or polluted waters except where permission is granted by the fire chief or his designee. Unlawful discharges to storm drains shall include, but are not limited to discharges from: toilets, sinks, commercial or industrial processes, cooling systems, air compressors, boilers, fabric or carpet cleaning, equipment cleaning, vehicle cleaning, swimming pools, spas, fountains, const ruction activities (e.g., painting, paving, concrete placement, saw cutting, grading}, painting, and paint stripping, unless specifically permitted by a discharge permit or unless exempted pursuant to regulations established by the fire chief or his designee.  Additionally, it shall be unlawful to discharge any pollutants or waters containing pollutants that would contribute to violations of the City's stormwater discharge permit or applicable water quality standards.
Mountain View Municipal Code Chapter 35.32.2.1 Discharge Permit	It shall be unlawful for any person or organization to discharge or cause to be discharged any industrial wastes or polluted water whatsoever directly or indirectly into the sewer system without first obtaining a permit for discharge. The discharge applicant shall not commence discharge prior to permit issuance. Furthermore, it shall be unlawful for any person to discharge any industrial wastes or

	polluted water in excess of the quantity or quality limitations, or to violate any other requirement set forth in this article or in a permit for discharge.
Traffic Control - Construction Notes Specification 22	Maintain traffic control devices.  The contractor shall install and maintain fences, barriers, lights and signs that are necessary to give adequate warning to the public at all times per Section 7-05 of the Standard Provisions in accordance with the California Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices.
Maintenance of Work Site – Construction Notes Specification 12	The contractor shall keep the street and work site clean and free from rubbish and debris per Section 5-15 of the Standard Provisions. This provision requires preventing spillage on haul routes, cleaning up spillage, sweeping all streets of mud and dirt and debris that are the result of the contractor's work and keeping the work site in a clean and neat appearance. Any spillage on haul routes shall be immediately removed and cleaned up.
Hazardous Materials and Wastes – Construction Notes Specification 24.	All work shall be conducted in a manner which prevents the release of hazardous materials or hazardous waste to the soil or groundwater, and minimizes the discharge of hazardous materials, hazardous wastes, polluted water and sediments to the storm drain system per Section 7-08 of the Standard Provisions.
Compliance with environmental documents – Construction Notes Specification 20	The contractor shall comply with the provisions of all permits, licenses or other authorizations applicable to the work with respect to the Environmental Quality Act per Section 7-02 of the Standard Provisions.

## 2.5 REQUIRED APPROVALS

The City is both the proponent and the Lead Agency for the proposed project. The proposed project is not anticipated to require any approvals from state, federal, or local agencies.

## Chapter 3. Environmental Checklist and Responses

- 1. Project Title: Annual Water Main Replacement, Project 19-21: PRV Installation and Whitney Drive, Whitney Court, and Parker Court Water Main Replacements
- Lead Agency Name and Address: City of Mountain View, 500 Castro Street, Mountain View, CA 94041
- Contact Person and Phone Number: Toni Eguilos, Assistant Engineer, Public Works Department, Public Services Division, City of Mountain View, 231 N. Whisman Road, Mountain View, CA 94043, Phone: (650) 903-6097, Email: Toni.Eguilos@mountainview.gov
- 4. Project Locations: City of Mountain View at:
  - Intersection of North Whisman Road and Evandale Avenue,
  - Whitney Drive between Mayfield Avenue and Hamilton Avenue,
  - Whitney Court
  - Parker Court
- 5. Project Sponsor's Name and Address: Same as the Lead Agency
- General Plan Designation: N/A (within City streets)
- 7. Zoning: N/A (within City streets)
- **8. Description of the Project:** The project proposes to install a pressure reducing valve and replace approximately 1,450 linear feet of water mains within the City.
- Surrounding Land Uses and Setting: Adjacent land uses consist of medium to high density residential, high density residential, high intensity office park and single-family residential uses.
- 10. Other public agencies whose approval is required: None.

Have California Native American tribes traditionally and culturally affiliated with the project area requested consultation pursuant to Public Resources Code section 21080.3.1? If so, is there a plan for consultation that includes, for example, the determination of significance of impacts to tribal cultural resources, procedures regarding confidentiality, etc.? The City of Mountain View has not received a request from Native American tribes for consultation pursuant to Public Resources Code section 21080.3.1. Letters and/or emails were sent by Basin Research Associates in January 2022 to the nine locally knowledgeable Native Americanindividuals/organizations identified by the NAHC to determine if any potential resources of interest to the Native American community were present. No responses were received.

## **ENVIRONMENTAL FACTORS POTENTIALLY AFFECTED**

The environmental	factors	checked	belo	w would be	potentia	ally	affected b	y this	project,	invol	ving
at least one impact	t that is	a "Poten	tially	Significant	Impact"	as	indicated	by the	checkl	ist on	the
following pages.											

	Aesthetics	Greenhouse Gas Emissions		Public Services
	Agricultural and Forestry Resources	Hazards and Hazardous Materials		Recreation
	Air Quality	l lydrology/Waler Qualily		Transportation
$\boxtimes$	Biological Resources	Land Use/Planning	$\boxtimes$	Tribal Cultural Resources
$\boxtimes$	Cultural Resources	Mineral Resources		Utilities/Service Systems
	Energy	Noise		Wildfire
$\boxtimes$	Geology/Soils	Population/Housing	$\boxtimes$	Mandatory Findings of Significance