

## 23.0 CONSULTING AND COORDINATION

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The City of Pittsburg (City) has made efforts to inform interested parties and solicit input on the proposed project through a variety of methods, including one public scoping meeting, several one-on-one agency briefings, one public comment meeting, and other community-wide notifications through the City's website and mailings.

### 23.1 SCOPING PROCESS

Scoping is the process used under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) to determine the coverage and content of an Environmental Impact Report (EIR), and it offers the opportunity for public review and comment in the early phases of a project. Section 15083 of the CEQA Guidelines authorizes and encourages an early consultation or scoping process to help identify the range of actions, alternatives, mitigation measures, and significant effects to be analyzed in depth in an EIR and to help resolve concerns of affected agencies and individuals.

The scoping process for an EIR is typically initiated by publication of the Notice of Preparation (NOP), which constitutes a formal notice to the public and to interested agencies and organizations that an EIR is in preparation for a proposed project.

#### 23.1.1 Notice of Preparation

In July 2011, the City issued the project NOP to inform agencies and the public that an EIR was being prepared, inviting comments on the scope and content as well as attendance to a public scoping meeting. (See Appendix Q: Notice of Preparation for the complete text of the NOP.) The NOP was distributed to an extensive list of recipients within the City and Contra Costa County, including residents in areas potentially affected by the proposed project. The City also posted notices on its website and ran a public notice announcing the scoping meeting in the *Contra Costa Times*.

#### 23.1.2 Scoping Meeting

The City held one public scoping meeting on August 4, 2011 at City Hall at 65 Civic Avenue in Pittsburg, California. Approximately 25 interested residents and representatives from various agencies and organizations attended the meeting. The scoping meeting included an overview of the meeting's purpose, a description of the proposed project, potentially significant environmental issues, and a question-answer session where attendees were given the opportunity to ask

questions to members of the technical and environmental team. Attendees were given the opportunity to provide oral or written comments. Agencies and other groups who provided comments during the scoping process include the following:

Federal Agencies

Native American Heritage Commission

United States Army Corps of Engineers, San Francisco District, Regulatory Branch and Operations and Readiness Division – Dredged Materials Management Office

United States Fish and Wildlife Service

State Agencies

California Department of Fish and Game, Region 3

California Department of Transportation, District 4

California State Lands Commission

Office of Planning and Research, State Clearinghouse

Regional and Local Agencies

City of Antioch

Contra Costa County, Fire Department District

Contra Costa Water District

Delta Diablo Sanitation District

Other

Angius and Terry LLP, Mariner Homeowner's Association

Bill Sutherlin

Bruce Ohlson, EBBC

Duane Krolop

Farella Braun and Martel LLP, Mariner Pittsburg Holdings LLC

Jim MacDonald, CARE

Joan Repato

Katherine Coviello, Marina Walk Home Owner's Association

Malcolm Frankin

Mary Sutherlin  
NuSTAR  
Victoria Michalski  
William Neace  
Tri Delta Transit

### **23.1.3 Draft EIR**

A Draft EIR for the project was made available for public comment for a 45-day public review period beginning on June 12, 2012 and ending on July 27, 2012. As described in Chapter 1.0: Introduction, after the close of the public comment period, the City determined it was necessary to add significant new information to the Draft EIR and, therefore, has prepared the Recirculated Draft EIR.

During the previous public comment period for the Draft EIR, the City held one public comment meeting on July 17, 2012 at City Hall at 65 Civic Avenue in Pittsburg, California. Approximately 15 interested residents and representatives from various agencies and organizations attended the meeting. The public comment meeting included an overview of the meeting's purpose, a description of the proposed project, potentially significant environmental issues, and a public commenting session where attendees were given the opportunity to make oral comments on the Draft EIR. The City received 17 written comment letters and six oral comments. Agencies and other groups who provided comments during this period include the following:

#### State Agencies

Gary Arnold, California Department of Transportation, District 4  
Cy R. Oggins, California State Lands Commission

#### Regional and Local Agencies

Jean Roggenkamp, Bay Area Air Quality Management District  
Mark A. Seedall, Contra Costa Water District  
Patricia E. Chapman, Delta Diablo Sanitation District  
Michael Machado, Delta Protection Commission  
Jim Townsend, East Bay Regional Park District  
Abigail Blodgett, San Francisco Bay Keeper

Other

Darren Atkins

Stephen Biles

James H. Colopy, Farella Braun and Martel LLP, Mariner Pittsburgh Holdings LLC

John Fingarson and Mark Rosenberg

Michael Henandez

Jim MacDonald, CARE

Wille Mims

Joe and Margo Miyamoto

Craig Neumayer

Mike Oliphant, Chevron Energy Solutions

Roger and Elsa Sanchez

**23.2 REGULATORY COMPLIANCE**

The City has facilitated early consultation with some agencies that have resource management and regulatory responsibilities in the project area. Early briefings provided the City with agency perspective on various project tasks such as permitting and environmental compliance requirements, sensitive resource issues, and analysis methods of project environmental impacts and potential mitigation measures. The following agencies were contacted for one-on-one consultation:

**23.2.1 Federal Agencies**

United States Army Corps of Engineers, San Francisco District, Regulatory Branch and Operations and Readiness Division – Dredged Materials Management Office

United States Fish and Wildlife Service

**23.2.2 State Agencies**

California Department of Fish and Game, Region 3

California Department of Transportation, District 4

California State Lands Commission

### **23.2.3 Regional and Local Agencies**

Bay Area Air Quality Management District

## **23.3 CONSULTATION AND NOTIFICATION LIST**

During preparation of the Draft EIR, resource agencies and interest groups were consulted regarding the proposed project. The following agencies and organizations were consulted during the preparation of this document.

### **23.3.1 Federal Agencies**

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Fisheries Service

United States Army Corps of Engineers, San Francisco District, Regulatory Branch and Operations and Readiness Division – Dredged Materials Management Office

United States Coast Guard, Marine Safety Office

United States Environmental Protection Agency, Region 9

United States Fish and Wildlife Service

### **23.3.2 State Agencies**

California Department of Fish and Game, Region 3

California Department of Transportation, District 4

California Energy Commission

California Highway Patrol

California Public Utilities Commission

California State Lands Commission

Department of Toxic Substances Control

Office of Planning and Research, State Clearinghouse

San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board

### **23.3.3 Regional and Local Agencies**

Association of Bay Area Governments

Bay Area Air Quality Management District

Bay Point Municipal Advisory Council

California State Water Resources Control Board  
City of Antioch  
City of Brentwood  
City of Clayton  
City of Concord, Planning Division  
City of Oakley  
Contra Costa County, Department of Conservation and Development  
Contra Costa Local Agency Formation Commission  
Contra Costa Transportation Authority  
Delta Diablo Sanitation District  
East Bay Regional Park District  
East Contra Costa Habitat Conservancy  
Northern California Carpenters Regional Council

#### **23.3.4 Other**

Adams Broadwell Joseph Cardozo  
Ambrose Park Recreation District  
CARE  
Communities for a Better Environment  
Concord Naval Weapons Station Reuse Project  
Contra Costa Times  
County Connection  
Discovery Builders  
District V Supervisor  
Evolution Markets  
First Baptist Church  
NRG Energy, Inc. (Property Owner)  
Greenbelt Alliance, East Bay  
Mariner Homeowner's Association  
Marina Walk Homeowner's Association  
Morales, Fierro, and Reeves  
NuSTAR

PACF

Paramount Homes

Oak Hills Neighborhood Watch

San Francisco Bay Conservation and Development Commission

Seecon Financial & Construction Company

Sierra Club, San Francisco Bay Chapter

Transform

Transportation Partnership and Cooperation

TRANSPLAN

Tri Delta Transit

University of California Berkeley Center for Cities and Schools

West Coast Home Builders

Zell and Associates