

**FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT**  
**City of Orinda**  
**North Lane Storm Water Improvement Project**  
**HMGP 1810-0021-16**

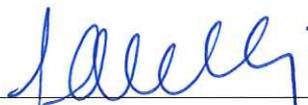
The City of Orinda has applied, through the California Emergency Management Agency (CalEMA), to the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) for Federal financial assistance to implement upgrades to a storm water drainage system. The assistance would be provided through the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP).

Under the Proposed Action, the City of Orinda would install approximately 1,300 feet of 60-inch storm sewer pipe and create an outfall structure at San Pablo Creek. The proposed storm drain bypass project would include approximately 900 feet of 60-inch reinforced concrete pipe (RCP) under the length of North Lane. From the foot of North Lane, 320 linear feet of 60-inch RCP would be jacked and bored under Camino Pablo. An additional 80 feet of 60-inch concrete jacking pipe would connect to a new outfall structure upstream from the existing outfall on San Pablo Creek. The proposed storm drain system would also include construction of a debris rack, headwall, and three inlet structures at the upstream end; five or six manholes; connection to existing lateral storm drain pipes; fence reinstallation; and pavement repair. With the exception of the last segment between Camino Pablo and San Pablo Creek, the new storm drain would be constructed within the right-of-way of existing streets, parallel to the existing corrugated metal pipe (CMP) and ditch system on North Lane, which would remain in place.

In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended, FEMA has prepared the *Supplemental Environmental Assessment (SEA) for the North Lane Storm Water Improvement Project* (April 2013) to evaluate the impacts of the Proposed Action and alternatives on the quality of the human environment. The SEA includes measures that will be implemented to mitigate, minimize, and avoid impacts to the human environment. The SEA tiers from the *Final Programmatic Environmental Assessment (PEA) for Typical Recurring Actions Resulting from Flood, Earthquake, Fire, Rain, and Wind Disasters in California* (December 2003), as prepared by FEMA. The PEA is available online at: <http://www.fema.gov/library/viewRecord.do?id=7176>. The SEA is available online at: [http://www.cityoforinda.org/index.asp?Type=B\\_BASIC&SEC={9E22F2A6-66A2-407B-9A3E-D18D98B0CAE2}](http://www.cityoforinda.org/index.asp?Type=B_BASIC&SEC={9E22F2A6-66A2-407B-9A3E-D18D98B0CAE2}).

Based on the information contained in the PEA and SEA, a review of the applicable environmental laws or orders, and compliance with FEMA's regulations in 44 CFR Part 10 (Environmental Considerations), the following is concluded:

A Finding of No Significant Impact. Therefore, an Environmental Impact Statement will not be prepared. For more information, contact the undersigned at (510) 627-7027 or FEMA-RIX-EHP-Documents@fema.dhs.gov.

  
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