



NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

FILING REQUESTED BY AND WHEN FILED, RETURN TO:

Marin County Parks and Open Space District
3501 Civic Center Drive, Suite 260, San Rafael, CA 94903
www.marincountyparks.org
(415) 473-6387

FILED

03/13/2023

SHELLY SCOTT
MARIN COUNTY CLERK
By **J. Gilardi, Deputy**
21-2023 -030

Marin County Clerk
3501 Civic Center Drive, Suite 234
San Rafael, CA 94903

DATE: March 13, 2023
PROJECT TITLE: EMERGENCY CULVERT MAINTENANCE PROJECT
PROJECT LOCATION: Easement Between #5 and #6 Red Cedar Court, San Rafael, Marin County, CA
ASSESSORS' PARCEL(S): 164-600-12

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of the Project: The emergency project consisted of maintenance of a culvert that became plugged during the January 2023 atmospheric river storm event and exacerbated during on-going storm events. The purpose of the emergency project was to remove the debris that plugged the culvert to prevent the potential of causing property damage. The culvert drains to an unnamed tributary to Miller Creek.

A hillside debris slide and subsequent debris torrent occurred during or sometime after the January 2023 storms. The mobilized material consisting of wood, rock, and soil overwhelmed the debris rack and partially plugged the culvert. On March 08, 2023, in advance of two atmospheric river events forecasted for the area in March 2023, MCOSD crews removed the deposited material at the culvert inlet to restore drainage capacity of the culvert and relieve the threat of roadway, culvert, and residential damage. The removed material at the culvert inlet measured approximately 18 feet in length, 9.5 feet in width, and 3 feet in depth equally 19 cubic yards. The culvert and trash rack were accessed from above the top of bank with an excavator. The debris was excavated to the depth of the existing riprap channel. The removed debris was spread on the level ground adjacent to the site above and beyond the stream bank. Rice straw mulch was applied to the material and disturbed ground for erosion protection. Straw wattles were installed around the mulched area for additional erosion protection by preventing off-site mobilization of the excavated material and straw mulch.

MCOSD staff contacted the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) which confirmed that the emergency project qualified for CDFW's emergency submittal procedure. MCOSD staff submitted the emergency notice on March 10, 2023. No other regulatory authorizations are required.

Public Agency Approving Project: Marin County Open Space District

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out the Project: Max Korten, Director

Reasons for Exemption: The MCOSD has reviewed the project along with its environmental setting and has determined it to be categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act under the following sections of the California Administrative Code:

Section 15269: Emergency Project: The emergency project consists of project to maintain, repair, and restore drainage capacity of an existing culvert to restore drainage capacity of the culvert and relieve the threat of roadway, culvert, and residential damage. The emergency project was conducted to maintain service essential to public health, safety, and welfare. The emergency project was undertaken to address an anticipated emergency from forecasted atmospheric river storm events. The emergency project did not occur on an official state scenic highway and did not expand or widen a highway damaged by fire, flood, storm, earthquake, land subsidence, gradual earth movement, or landslide.

Lead Agency Contact Person:

Michelle Julene, Senior Regulatory Open Space Planner
Marin County Parks and Open Space District
(415) 444-6740 Office Cell
mjulene@marincounty.org

POSTED: 03/13/2023 TO: 04/13/2023



NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

EMERGENCY CULVERT MAINTENANCE PROJECT

Easement Between #5 and #6 Red Cedar Court, San Rafael

MARCH 13, 2023



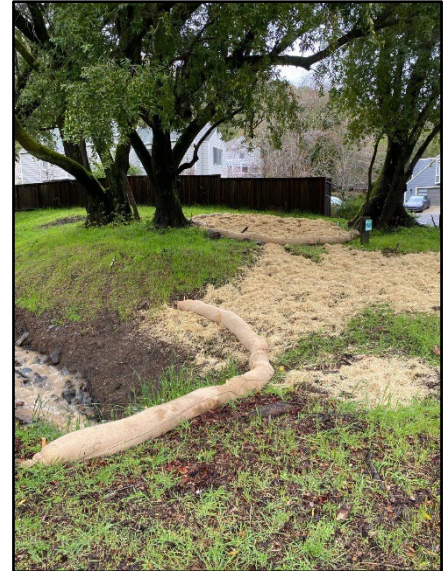
Source: Google Maps



Damage Before Project



Project Implementation



Completed Project

Source: MCOSSD