APPENDIX H CULTURAL RESOURCES

This appendix contains the following items:

- The Cultural Resources Existing Conditions and Survey Methodology Report and Archaeological Survey to support the assessment of the effects of the proposed project on historic properties.
- Documentation of coordination with tribal governments including the FAA's government-to-government consultations with tribes in accordance with Executive Order 13175 Consultation and Coordination with Indian Tribal Governments and FAA Order 1210.20 American Indian and Alaska Native Tribal Consultation Policy and Procedures.
- Documentation of the FAA's consultation with the California State Historic Preservation Office in accordance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act that resulted in the FAA's determination that the Gnoss Field Airport Runway Extension Project would have no effect on historic properties.

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CULTURAL RESOURCES EXISTING CONDITIONS AND SURVEY METHODOLOGY REPORT AND ARCHAEOLOGICAL SURVEY REPORT

For the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) and Environmental Impact Report (EIR) to Evaluate the Proposed Extension of Runway 13/31 at Gnoss Field Airport

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INTRODUCTION

Tremaine and Associates (TREMAINE), under contract with Landrum and Brown (L&B), has conducted an archaeological survey for the County of Marin, California, for the proposed extension of Runway 13/31 and associated taxiway at Gnoss Field Airport, Novato, California (DVO or Airport). The survey was required by both Federal (National Environmental Policy Act - NEPA) and state (California Environmental Quality Act - CEQA) laws, with oversight by the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA). This report presents the results of the archaeological survey, addressing issues regarding cultural resources in the vicinity of the Airport. Topics in this report include: Project Location and Description; Sources Consulted (Literature Search and Review Results); Summary of Native American Consultation; Environmental Context; Cultural Setting (Prehistoric, Ethnohistoric, Historic); Expectations; Field Methods; and Survey Results and Conclusions.

PROJECT LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION

The Airport is located within northeastern Marin County, California, approximately 3.2 km (2 miles) north from the City of Novato. The Area-of-Potential Effect (APE) is situated about 200-500 m east from the present U. S. Highway 101 corridor. The Northwestern Pacific Railroad right-of-way passes tangentially to the northwest corner of the proposed project area. Figure 1 shows the Direct APE (areas of direct impact), divided into two portions; one at the north end of the existing runway and another at the south end, amounting to about 30 acres. A larger area of indirect effect (the Indirect APE) is also shown, extending one mile beyond the airport boundaries (~12,655 acres).

Currently, two feasible alternatives are being considered, B and D. Alternative B (Figure 2) proposes extending the runway 1,100 feet to the northwest, constructing a 240-foot long safety area beyond the north end of the runway, as well as extending the existing levee and drainage ditches. The northernmost tip of the APE would serve as a construction staging area. A 240-foot long safety area would also be added at the south end of the runway. Alternative D, in contrast, proposes extending the runway 860 feet to the northwest, as well as 240 feet to the southeast (Figure 3). Safety areas (240-feet long) would be constructed at either end. The existing levee and drainage ditches, as in Alternative B, would be extended as well.

SOURCES CONSULTED

Methods and Results

On February 8, 2008, and April 14, 2008, Lisa Hagel, Northwest Information Center, Rohnert Park, California, conducted record searches of previously conducted cultural resources studies and previously recorded cultural resources located within the Gnoss Field Direct and Indirect APEs. (File # 07-1121, File # 07-1448; see Appendix A for results of the records searches). In addition to the cultural resources reports and site records that were consulted, the records searches included examination of the following sources:

- National Register of Historic Resources (2005)
- California Register of Historic Resources (2005)
- California State Historic Landmarks (1996)
- Points of Historical Interest (1992)
- Rancho Novato Plat Map (1859)
- Rancho Olompali Plat Map (1859)
- GLO Plat Map, T 4N R6W (1871)
- USGS *Petaluma* 15' Topographic Quadrangle (1914)

Previously Reported Cultural Resources Studies

A total of 42 cultural resources studies have been completed within the one-mile radius of the Direct APE (Table 1). Of these, one cultural resources study has been partly conducted within the Direct APE (Origer 1991). Five others (Basgall et al. 2006; Gilles and Gerike 2000; Holman 2000; Hope 2006; MacDonald and Gerike 2000) are tangential to the borders of the Direct APE. Within the Indirect APE, an additional 50 cultural resources studies have been completed, for a total of 92 studies (Table 1).

Previously Recorded Archaeological Sites

A total of 18 archaeological sites have been previously recorded within the one-mile radius of the current Direct APE (Table 2). They include 14 (78%) prehistoric sites, two (6%) historic sites, and two (6%) sites with prehistoric and historic components. Among the 16 prehistoric components represented (Figure 4) are the prehistoric-historic village of Olompali (6.25%), eight (50%) shell middens, four (25%) boulders with cupules, two (12.5%) lithic scatters with cupule boulders, and an isolated artifact (6.25%). The four historic components include Olompali, (i.e., the remains of the adobe and Burdell mansion) a culvert and bridge, a probable former segment of U. S. Highway 101, and a portion of the Northwestern Pacific Railroad grade.

Within the larger Indirect APE, an additional 12 archaeological sites are present (Table 2). They include nine (75%) prehistoric and three (25%) historic sites. Among the prehistoric sites are six (67%) shell middens, one of which has an associated burial, two (22%) cupule boulders, and one (11%) boulder with a bedrock milling feature. A cattle

trough, a refuse scatter, and a dairy complex with standing structures comprise the historic sites.

Historic Structures within the Indirect APE

It has been determined that no historic structures are present within the Gnoss Field Complex. No other historic structures occur within the Direct APE. Within the Indirect APE, historic structures are present within the Olompali Burdell Ranch Complex and the Silveira/Marin Dell Dairy Complex (Figure 4). The former contains several structures/features, while the latter has 10. Many of the Burdell Ranch structures are recommended as significant and eligible for nomination to the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP). The structures comprising the Silveira Dairy Complex have been recommended as not significant, and not eligible for nomination to the NRHP (Hope 2006).

The Burdell Ranch Complex

This complex of 11 historic buildings and features is located on the west side of U. S. Highway 101, across from Gnoss Field (Figure 4 – Inset A). Most have either been nominated to the NRHP (the Camillo Ynitia Adobe) or are recommended as significant and eligible for nomination to the NRHP (the remaining structures described below). The buildings include the remnants of the 1840s Camillo Ynitia Adobe and Burdell Mansion, and various structures and features associated with the late 19th-early 20th century Burdell Ranch.

The Burdell Mansion, including the Camillo Ynitia Adobe.

The Camillo Ynitia Adobe probably was built c. 1837, with more rooms added around 1840 (Farris et al. 1999:23-24; Parkman et al. 1981:76-79). The 1843 Rancho Olompali diseno depicts the adobe as a one-story, rectangular, gable-end building. The diseno in the Rancho San Antonio land case shows it twice as long as wide, with a door and two windows. The adobe probably was enlarged after it was acquired by Black in 1852.

Parkman et al. (1981:78) noted the adobe had two one-story wings. The larger adobe was approximately 48 by 21 feet, with two-foot thick walls. A 30-inch high adobe partition divided it into two rooms. Its original entrance was on its east façade along with several windows. It had a cement foundation, probably dating from c. 1911 when the Burdell mansion was built.

The smaller adobe wing adjoined the larger wing on its west side. It was approximately 33 by 24 feet, with two-foot thick walls. The original entrance was on its south façade. This portion of the adobe appears to have been divided into two rooms when both adobe wings were incorporated into the Galen Burdell's house.

Farris et al. (1999:23-24) describe the adobe as a three-room structure with two-foot thick walls. Dimensions of the three rooms are 16 x 33 feet (Room 1), 16 x 13 feet (Room 2), and 24 x 38 feet (Room 3). Rooms 1 and 2 are divided by a 21-inch partition wall.

The structure was in a ruined state, lacking its original roof, but retaining most of its adobe walls. Protected by subsequent structures built around it including the clapboard house constructed by Galen and Mary Burdell in 1866, and the Burdell Mansion built by James and Josephine Burdell in 1911. The adobe was damaged by the 1969 fire that destroyed much of the mansion. Currently the adobe's remains are covered with a roof, and its walls are shored up with plywood sheets and wooden supports.

In 1866, Galen and Mary Burdell built a clapboard, wood-frame house which enclosed the adobe wings which were outlined by the wood framing (Farris et al. 1999:23-24; Parkman et al. 1981:78-79). A two-story west wing, and an enclosed porch added to the south façade of the west wing were among the additions. The house had a steeply-pitched cross-gable roof. Two gable-end dormers were present on the north and south façade eavelines.

During 1911, the Galen and Mary Burdell clapboard house/Camillo Ynitia Adobe underwent a major stylistic renovation. James and Josephine Burdell commissioned H. S. McCargar, a Petaluma contractor, who designed and constructed a modern flat-topped, two-story, asymmetrical, stucco-covered house. The original adobe and clapboard house was enlarged with a large, asymmetrical addition at its west end. This addition had a large two-story wing projecting from its south façade. An asymmetrical, one-story wing, housing the kitchen, formed the rear façade.

A series of large pillars were placed across the house's front facade, supporting a two-story east wing and open veranda overhang. Similar pillars ran the length of the interior of an enclosed porch room projecting from the south facade of the west wing adobe. Originally intended to be used as living rooms by the James Burdells, the adobe portion of the Burdell mansion became a storage area. Court Harrington purchased the house in 1943, and plastered the adobe walls. The house remained in somewhat stable condition until a fire severely damaged much of it in 1969.

The Burdell Frame House (Farris et al. 1999:24; Parkman et al. 1981:798).

In 1873, Galen and Mary Burdell constructed this rectangular, wood-frame, tall two-story house with a gable end roof. Originally measuring 40'4" by 25,' the building has an early rectangular second-story addition projecting from the south side of the rear facade, Subsequent additions include a narrow two-story shed addition, and a one-story garage on the north façade. Current dimensions of the building are 47' by 46'6." This building was modified many times over the years, most notably after its use as part of the mid-20th century University of San Francisco Jesuit retreat and later 1960s McCoy commune.

House 1 (Blacksmith's Residence) (Davis et al. 2003a; Farris et al. 1999:26; Parkman et al. 1981:80).

This structure is a small, one-story, side-gable, wood frame, five-room house, with a steeply-pitched gable end roof, wide eaves, and channel-rustic siding, built during the late 1860s-early 1870s. It is incorrectly referred to as the "Saltbox House," and measures 31'6" (N-S) by 20'6" m(E-W). The foundation rests upon the ground, random rocks, and wood sills. This house exemplifies the side-gable, hall-and-parlor house. A rear shed addition to the house extends from the north side of the house. A front porch was added to the house post-1900. The interior of the structure has thin boards over the frame boards. The original house is divided into three rooms, with one wall running down N-S and the second E-W. Two additional rooms were added to the structure's north side including a kitchen and bathroom. The house has a tall, full-width, completely finished attic.

House 2 (Ranch Superintendent's House) (Davis et al. 2003a; Farris et al. 1999:26; Parkman et al. 1981:80).

This is a narrow, rectangular, one-story, four-room, balloon-framed, channel rustic-sided house, with a low-pitch cross-gable roof and raised basement, constructed during the late 1860s-early 1870s. A rear wing extends perpendicular to the main house. The house measures 42'3" (N-S) by 36'2" (E-W), including a shed-roofed front porch on the east side. The house has a typical "T" design, with three rooms present in the cross section of the "T," and the remaining room forming the vertical portion. It is possible Rooms 1 and 2 of the cross bar might have been subdivided. Other alterations to the house have occurred post-1900, including two small board and batten shed additions on the north and west sides. It is possible House 2 was built on top of a refuse scatter associated with House 1.

The Burdell Blacksmith Shop (Davis et al. 2003c; Farris et al. 1999:26; Parkman et al. 1981:80).

Thought to be one of the earliest buildings of the Burdell Ranch, this rectangular, one-story, gable-roofed building probably was constructed between 1866-1869 from vertical redwood boards forming wide, random plank board-and-batten siding. The house measures 36'4" (N-S) by 16'3" (E-W). Its front façade faces east, and has a large opening originally covered with a large sliding wooden door. The building is divided into two rooms, a workroom and a storage room. A wooden cabinet, secured by iron hinges, original to the structure, still hangs on the wall of one of the rooms. The original wood sill foundation has recently been replaced by a concrete perimeter foundation. Remains of a picket fence are present at the rear of the building.

The Burdell Cookhouse (Davis et al. 2003d; Farris et al. 1999:24; Parkman et al. 1981:79).

This is a small, rectangular, gable-roofed, one-story, three-room plus loft-frame structure built sometime during the early 20th century (possibly c. 1915 given the number of wire

nails observed in the immediate vicinity). The dimensions of the cookhouse are 24'6" (E-W) by 16'4" (N-S). A small rectangular shed addition, 4'2" deep, projects off the southeast corner. Board and batten siding covers three walls, and V-rustic siding the fourth. The wood sill foundation sits on piers and on grade. Oral tradition indicates that the building was initially used as a cookhouse and/or residence by a Chinese cook who provided meals for ranch hands and/or the James Burdell family.

The Galen Burdell Barn (Farris et al. 1999:25; Parkman et al. 1981:79).

The barn was constructed during the 1870s by Galen Burdell, and is representative of East Coast rural architecture transported to California post-1850. Initially a tall, square, wood-frame, clapboard-sided, one-story barn was built on a raised, cut-stone foundation. The foundation provided stall and storage space under the main portion of the barn. The barn had a hip roof and hip roof square cupola. A shed was later added on the north side of the structure. Partitions were added to the interior of the building, creating four separate spaces. Construction used both timber and balloon framing. A large rectangular, wood-frame barn with a steeply-pitched gable-end roof was added to the original barn on the north half of its west facade c. 1882. Stalls line its interior along the north façade.

The Dairy Building (Farris et al. 1999:27; Parkman et al. 1981:82).

The dairy barn, built during the 1950s, is a relatively recent addition to the ranch complex. It is a long, rectangular building with cement walls, open wood framing, and a gable end roof. A small stucco room addition is located on its southeast corner along the east facade.

The Burdell Generator House (Farris et al. 1999:24; Parkman et al. 1981:81).

Constructed sometime around 1915, this small, square, one-room, cement block building with a wooden pent roof was originally associated with the James and Josephine Burdell family. The machinery is no longer in the building, and it has most recently been used for storage.

The Burdell Garden (Farris et al. 1999:27; Parkman et al. 1981:81).

Designed and planned by Mary Burdell as early as 1866, if not earlier, this garden was laid out in a traditional formal estate style east and down slope from the Burdell Adobe/Mansion. The original garden was laid out in long terraces facing east. It measured approximately 328 (N-S) by 164 (E-W) feet). The garden had a circular bed at its center and brick paths radiating outward. Before 1874, a fountain with a circular base was constructed from andesite rocks and boulders at the garden's center.

Influenced greatly by her travels to Japan in 1874, Mary Burdell began planting oriental trees, shrubs, and flowers. Two bronze cranes were added to the fountain. The garden was tended and expanded by several Japanese gardeners who planted palms,

pomegranates, magnolias, camellias, oleanders, Japanese maples, citrus trees, and many other rare oriental and sub-tropical plants. In 1911, stone staircases replaced wooden ones in the garden. Currently, the garden is overgrown, and its original design, fencing, and brick walks are gone. Many of the original plantings have died out.

The Silveira/Marin Dell Dairy Complex

This complex, located on the northwest boundary of the Indirect APE contains 10 structures/features (Figure 4 – Inset B). They include four barns, three residences, a bunkhouse, a millhouse, and a cistern. These are associated with an extensive system of fences and corrals. Although some of the structures may date to c. 1914, the majority appear to have been constructed during the mid-20th century. None of the structures appear to be significant, and none are eligible for nomination to the NRHP under any of its criteria.

Tenant House A. A one-story frame building, with a low-pitch gable roof. A wing on the east side of the house gives it a "T" shape. A covered porch is on the southeast part of the house, and an attached garage is present. It probably dates from the 1940s-1950s.

Tenant House B. A one-story frame, duplex with projecting wings on both sides, and a low-pitch gable roof. It probably dates from the 1940s-1950s.

Tenant House C. A one-story narrow rectangular frame building, with a gable roof. and asphalt composition shingles. It probably dates from the 1940s-1950s.

Bunkhouse. A long, narrow bunkhouse for farm laborers, with six separate rooms and a gable roof extending to form a canopy along its length. Like the residences, the bunkhouse possibly dates from the 1940-1950s.

Barn A. This barn may date from the early 1900s, and is currently used as a calf barn. It has vertical wood planks, and a steep gable corrugated metal roof. The barn has a dirt floor, and at one time had a sliding door. A gabled hay hood is at the front gable.

Barn B. This barn (the milking barn) is attached to the southeast wall of Barn A, connected by a covered breezeway. The structure has concrete walls, and a recently installed corrugated metal roof. It probably is no older than the 1940s.

Milk House. The milk house is a small building attached to Barn B on its northeast side. One end of the structure has an aluminum and glass door.

Barn C. This barn may date from the early 1900s, and is similar in appearance to Barn A. A canopy comes off of the northeast wall, and is at a lower level than the main floor of the barn.

Barn D. This barn probably was built between 1954 and 1968. Its walls and roof are corrugated metal placed over a wooden framework. The ends of the structure have large sliding doors. A cistern is located northwest from Barn D.

Consultation with the California Department of Parks & Recreation

On July 23, 2009, Dwight Simons, Project Manager, TREMAINE, Visited the Diablo Vista District Office, California Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR), Petaluma, California, to inspect their archives for additional materials on cultural resources present within Olompali Historic Park. Mr. Simons conferred with E. Breck Parkman, Senior State Archaeologist, DPRs Diablo Vista District, regarding cultural resources present within the park unit. Mr. Parkman expressed concerns regarding the proposed project's potential impacts upon cultural resources. He particularly emphasized increased airport noise, specifically the effects of noise vibrations upon fragile structures at Olompali such as the Camillo Ynitia Adobe remnants, and upon park visitor's experience. Mr. Parkman recommended that these effects be considered, analyzed, and avoided and/or mitigated where necessary. Ms. Bree Hardcastle, Environmental Scientist, DPRs Marin District, speculated upon the effects of increased noise levels upon park wildlife, including resident raptor populations, and endangered, threatened, or species of concern. Both expressed a desire to be informed regarding progress of the PROJECT.

Summary of Native American Consultation

The Native American Heritage Commission (NAHC) was contacted by TREMAINE on February 14, 2008; with a request for a query of the Sacred Lands File and a list of Native American contacts (see Appendix B for Native American consultation documentation). On February 20, 2008, the NAHC responded, indicating that a records search of the Sacred Lands File revealed no Native American Cultural Resources have been recorded within the Direct or Indirect APEs. The NAHC also provided a list of Native American individuals and organizations that might have concerns with or interest in the proposed undertaking at Gnoss Field.

TREMAINE contacted individuals and organizations indicated by the NAHC as having Coast Miwok associations by letter on February 22, 2008. These included Gene Buvelot, Federated Indians of Graton Rancheria, Frank Ross, Federated Indians of Graton Rancheria, Greg Sarris, Chairperson, Federated Indians of Graton Rancheria, Kathleen Smith, Walnut Creek, California, and Ya-Ka-Ama, Forestville, California. Follow-up phone calls were conducted on March 10, 2008 with Nick Tipon, Federated Indians of Graton Rancheria, and on April 23 and 25, 2008, with Kathleen Smith and Betty Molina, a representative of Ya-Ka-Ama. Mr. Tipon expressed several concerns with the proposed project. These included the proposed boundaries of the Direct and Indirect APEs, depths of proposed subsurface construction excavations, the presence of recorded sites within prehistopric/ethnohistoric the Indirect APE near APE, and the project's impact upon waterways which might affect plants important to Native Americans. Mr. Tipon indicated that he would serve as the main contact for the Federated Indians of Graton Rancheria. Both Ms. Smith and Ms. Betty Molina of Ya-Ka-Ama had no immediate concerns.

On December 10, 2008, the FAA, represented by Western-Pacific Regional Manager Mark McClardy, San Francisco Airports District Office (SF ADO) Manager Robin Hunt, SF ADO Assistant Manager Arlene Draper, and SF ADO Environmental Protection Specialist Barry Franklin met with Nick Tipon of the Federated Indians of Graton Rancheria (FIGR), regarding Coast Miwok concerns with the Proposed Action at the Airport. Also in attendance were Rob Adams of L&B, John Roberto, representing Marin County, and Kim Kersey of TREMAINE. Concerns noted by the FIGR at this meeting included suggested refinement of the border of the Indirect APE, the need to better define the potential vertical Direct APE, the close proximity of the Olompali site complex, the potential for buried subsurface cultural materials, the observation that the east-facing slope of Burdell Mountain is a sacred place for the Coast Miwok, the need to consider possible presence of sacred/cultural plants, participation of a Native American representative during the archaeological field survey, and treatment protocols regarding discovery of subsurface cultural materials.

The FAA sent letters on December 11, 2008, informing Reno Franklin, Tribal Historic Preservation Officer, Stewart's Point Rancheria, Betty Molina, Ya-Ka-Ama, Patricia Hermosillo, Chairperson, Cloverdale Rancheria of Pomo Indians, Mario Hermosillo, Jr., Tribal Environmental Planner, Cloverdale Rancheria of Pomo Indians, Dawn Getchell, Coast Miwok-Pomo, Jenner, California, Harvey Hopkins, Chairperson, Dry Creek Rancheria of Pomo Indians, Margie Mejia, Chairperson, Lytton Rancheria Band of Pomo Indians, Lisa Miller, Tribal Administrator, Lytton Rancheria Band of Pomo Indians, Cathy Lopez, Vice-Chairperson, Lytton Rancheria Band of Pomo Indians, Scott Gabaldon, Chairperson, Mishewal-Wappo Tribe of Alexander Valley, Earl Couey, Cultural Resources manager, Mishewal-Wappo Tribe of Alexander Valley, Eric Wilder, Chairperson, Stewart's Point Rancheria, and Lynne Russell, Environmental Planner, Stewart's Point Rancheria to provide the opportunity for comments regarding the Proposed Action and preparation of the associated Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) and Environmental Impact Report (EIR).

To date, only the FIGR tribe has provided comments on the proposed project and participated in Government-to-Government consultation regarding the proposed project. The FIGR has also submitted a proposed "treatment plan" for Native American human remains, funerary objects, cultural and religious landscapes, ceremonial items, and cultural items, in the event that any are discovered in conjunction with the Project's proposed ground-disturbing activities, and a proposed contract to retain an FIGR representative to participate in archaeological testing, studies, surveys, and geological/geotechnical testing. The proposed "treatment plan," as presented to FAA, is included in Appendix B to this document. The proposed "treatment plan" is currently under review and has not been approved/accepted by the FAA or Marin County at this time. The FIGR was invited to participate in archaeological field surveys conducted by the EIS subconsultant TREMAINE, in September 2009.

By e-mail of September 8, 2009, the FIGR provided a list 42 native plants dated July 19, 2007, that the e-mail identified as "FIGR list of culturally significant plants."

ENVIRONMENTAL CONTEXT

Geology and Soils

The geology of the Direct/Indirect APE is described by several works (cf., Blake et al. 1974; Cardwell 1958; Fox 1983; Fox et al. 1973; Helley et al. 1979; Huffman and Armstrong 1980; Wagner and Bortugno 1980; Weaver 1949a, 1949b). The Direct APE is immediately adjacent to the eastern foot of Burdell Mountain. Currently, its elevation is at or less than a meter above mean sea level.

The Direct APE is situated within reclaimed salt-water tidal marshlands that are part of the formerly extensive salt marshes present around the northwest corner of San Pablo Bay (Figure 5). It is characterized by deposits of intertidal peaty/bay muds. The latter are unconsolidated, water-saturated, dark plastic, carbonaceous clays and silty clays, laid down in marshes, swamps, and adjacent waterways. They are an element of the extensive wetlands associated with San Francisco Bay (papers in Conomos 1979; Josselyn 1983; Nichols and Wright 1971). These formed the largest contiguous tidal marsh system present on the Pacific Coast of North America. During the last 11,000-10,000 years, San Francisco Bay has developed as a consequence of post-Pleistocene sea level rise, which has submerged most of Franciscan Valley. In the Holocene, sea level has risen 50+ meters along the central California coast (Atwater 1979; Atwater et al. 1977; Bickel 1978; Helley et al. 1979; Josselyn 1983). This progressively flooded San Francisco Bay which reached its historic dimensions approximately 5,000-4,000 years ago.

Immediately west of the Direct APE are Recent (Holocene) alluvium deposits which often cover extensive areas (Cardwell 1958; Fox 1983; Helley et al. 1979; Huffman and Armstrong 1980; Wagner and Bortungo 1982; Weaver 1949a, 1949b). Generally they include thin deposits of unconsolidated fine sands, silts, silty clays, and clays with discontinuous lenses of coarser sands and gravels. Much of Burdell Mountain is composed of Late Tertiary volcanic deposits. These are assigned to the Mid to Late Miocene Tolay Volcanics, radiometrically dated to approximately 10 million years ago (Fox 1983; Wagner and Bortugno 1982). This unit is represented by andesite mudflow breccias and andesite basalt flows. The basalt probably provided a source of tool stone for prehistoric peoples.

Soils present within the Direct APE (Figure 6) are assigned to the Reyes Series (Kashiwagi 1985:49-50, 117-118, Sheet 5). Reyes soils are fine, mixed, acid, termic Sulfic Fluvaquents. They are very deep, somewhat poorly drained, and are formed in alluvium deposited along bay margins. Reyes Clay occurs within the portion of the Direct APE not occupied by Gnoss Field and associated roads and other development. The soils present under Gnoss Field are classified as belonging to the Urban Land

Xerorthents Complex (Kashiwagi 1985:77-78) which are on tidelands covered with fill. West of Gnoss Field is an area of Xerorthents Fill composed of mixed soil materials that have been redeposited mechanically (Kashiwagi 1985:78). Typically these soils are loamy and well-drained.

Flora

The Direct APE is located within the coastal salt marsh community (Best et al. 1996; Grewell et al. 2007; Howell 1970; Kuchler 1977; Shuford and Timossi 1989). Dominant vegetation prior to reclamation includes glasswort (Salicornia virginica) and California cordgrass (Spartina foliosa). Other plants include salt grass (Distichlis spicata), alkali heath (Frankenia salina), Jaumea (Jaumea carnosa), western marsh-rosemary (Limonium californicum), bulrush (Scirpus sp.), California sea blite (Suaeda californica), and seaside arrow-grass (Triglochin maritima). Currently, much of this community is gone or severely reduced in extent. Historic period reclamation has converted much of San Francisco Bay's marshlands into agricultural or urban lands.

With respect to the vegetation of the Indirect APE, upland areas in northwest Marin County originally supported a vegetation mosaic composed of California prairie (Barry 1972; Bartolome et al. 2007; Best et al. 1996; Howell 1970; Kuchler 1977; Mayer and Laudenslayer 1988; Shuford and Timossi 1989) and oak woodland (Allen-Diaz 2007; Best et al. 1996; Howell 1970; Kuchler 1977; Mayer and Laudenslayer 1988; Shufordf and Timossi 1989) which provided a host of plant resources for prehistoric and historic Native Peoples, including acorns, geophytes, seeds, greens, and fruits and berries. California prairie was composed of perennial and annual grasses, along with a number of herbs and forbs. Within the oak woodland, several oak species dominated (i.e., coast live oak - Quercus agrifolia; blue oak- Q. douglasii; Oregon oak - Q. garryana; California black oak – Q. kelloggii; valley oak – Q. lobata; interior live oak – Q. wislizini). Other important trees include California buckeye (Aesculus californica), madrone (Arbutus menziesii), and California laurel (*Umbellularia californica*). Among understory shrubs are gooseberry (Ribes sp.), California coffeebery (Rhamnus californica), poison oak (Toxicodendron diversiloba), elderberry (Sambucus mexicana), snowberry (Symphoricarpos rivularis), and coyote brush (Baccharis pilularis). Also present are a host of grasses, herbs, and forbs.

Fauna

Fish and wildlife resources of the Direct/Indirect APE and environs are profiled in Skinner (1962), and marine resources by Leet et al. (1992). Species accounts are available for many vertebrates, including fish (Bane and Bane 1971; Leidy 1984; Moyle 2002); Roedel 1953; Roedel and Ripley 1950; Walford 1931, 1935); birds (Cogswell 1977; Grinnell and Miller 1944, Grinnell and Wythe 1927; Grinnell et al. 1918; Shuford 1993; Small 1994; Zeiner et al. 1990a), and mammals (Grinnell 1933; Grinnell et al. 1937; Hall 1981; Ingles 1965; Jameson and Peeters 1988; Zeiner et al. 1990b). The fauna of the Direct/Indirect APE and environs includes a diverse assemblage of marine, aquatic, and terrestrial invertebrates and vertebrates. Invertebrates of note include various shellfish (i.e., mussels, clams, oysters, abalone), and crustaceans (i.e., shrimp, crabs).

Anadromous fish inhabiting streams within or adjacent to the Direct/Indirect APE include sturgeon and salmonids. The Petaluma River, San Antonio Creek, and Novato Creek probably had late fall-winter runs of coho salmon and winter-early spring runs of steelhead, which peaked in January-February (Fukushima and Lesh 1998:142; Skinner 1962: Plate IV). Among native resident freshwater fish present in project corridor streams are splittail, pike-minnow, roach, suckers, sculpin, and tule perch. Nearby, a diverse, abundant assemblage of marine fish inhabits San Francisco Bay (i.e., sharks, bat rays, sardines, herring, anchovy, plainfin midshipmen, topsmelt/jacksmelt, white seabass, surfperch, longjaw mudsuckers, flounder and other flatfish, rockfish, prickleback, cabezon, greenling, and silversides).

The avifauna of the Direct/Indirect APE environs is dominated by a diverse, numerous suite of resident and migratory waterfowl. Among these are loons, grebes, pelicans, cormorants, herons, egrets, swans, geese, ducks, cranes, rails, coots, avocets, shorebirds, gulls, terns, murres and other alcids. Upland game birds (i.e., quail, band-tailed pigeons, mourning doves) often are locally abundant. A diverse assemblage of raptorial birds (i.e., vultures, condors, kites, hawks, eagles, falcons, owls) and a host of songbirds also are present.

Upland game mammals found within the Direct/Indirect APE and environs include numerous jackrabbits, brush rabbits, gray squirrels, and ground squirrels. A number of non-migratory, resident, fur-bearing carnivores and rodents are/have been present (i.e., beaver, coyote, gray fox, black bear, grizzly bear, raccoon, ringtail, mink, ermine, badger, striped skunk, spotted skunk, river otter, mountain lion, bobcat). Extirpation of the grizzly bear took place in the North Bay Area from 1865-1885 (Storer and Tevis 1955:291).

Currently, deer are the only large terrestrial herbivores occurring in the Direct/Indirect APE and environs. Formerly, tule elk inhabited portions of the Direct/Indirect APE and other parts of the North Bay Area (McCullough 1969:15-16, 23). Elk were quite abundant in the marshes around the mouth of the Petaluma River, and along the lower part of Sonoma Creek. After the start of the Gold Rush Era, c. 1848-1849, elk populations in the North Bay Area were quickly extirpated by hunting (McCullough 1969:23). By 1855, elk were gone from the southern Sonoma County, and adjacent northeast Marin County.

Pronghorn formerly inhabited the treeless, grassy plains and margins of adjoining woodlands throughout much of central California, including portions of the North Bay Area (McLean 1944; 223, Figure 85; Pyshora 1977:19, Figure 4; Sampson and Jespersen 1963:14). These included northeast Marin County. In the early 1850s, they were hunted for the San Francisco market, and shipped from Petaluma. Pronghorns probably were extirpated from the North Bay Area by the 1860s.

In the past, San Francisco Bay contained abundant populations of various species of marine mammals. These included sea otters, fur seals, sea lions, and harbor seals.

During the last 200 years, local populations of these species have been greatly reduced or extirpated from San Francisco Bay and environs as a result of overhunting for their furs, skins, and oil (Grinnell et al. 1937; Skinner 1962).

Many of the fish, birds, and mammals were of great economic importance to Native peoples. Anadromous, fresh-water, and marine fishes were taken in large numbers. Birds, especially waterfowl, were harvested in abundance. Important large game included tule elk, deer, and pronghorn. Carnivores, rabbits, and rodents also were important sources of food and/or furs.

CULTURAL SETTING

Prehistoric Context

The prehistory of the San Francisco Bay Area is summarized in several sources (cf., Bennyhoff and Fredrickson in Hughes, ed, 1994; Milliken et al. 2007; Moratto 1984: Chapter 6). During the past century prehistoric archaeology in the Bay Area and adjacent Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta has been dominated by two themes: a focus on defining chronological units through the interpretation of mortuary assemblages; and ongoing division and revision of recognized archaeological cultures into smaller, more regionally discrete units. The richness of artifact assemblages associated with aboriginal mortuary practices has elaborated both themes.

Archaeological research in the Bay Area began over a century ago with Nelson's (1909) survey along the San Francisco Bay shoreline and documentation of over 425 shell mounds, and Uhle's (1907) publication of findings resulting from excavation of the Emeryville shellmound (CA-ALA-307). Nelson's work began the focus upon examination of Bay Area shell mounds. Uhle began an emphasis upon description of mortuary-associated assemblages. During the subsequent half century, these were focal points for Bay Area archaeology. Beardsley (1954) synthesized Bay Area cultural chronologies and culture history, correlating them with schemes developed for the Sacramento-San Joaquin.

Subsequent work (e.g., Elsasser 1978; Fredrickson 1973, 1974a; Gerow and Force 1968; papers in Hughes 1994; Milliken et al. 2007) has refined and elaborated the cultural chronology/culture history scheme for the Bay Area and environs. With respect to culture history, several "Economic Periods," Paleo, Lower Archaic, Middle Archaic, Upper Archaic, and Emergent are represented in the Bay Area, Cultural chronology is manifested in various archaeological "patterns," which vary regionally. The three most important are the Lower Berkeley Pattern correlated with the Middle Archaic, the Upper Berkeley Pattern equated with the Upper Archaic, and the Augustine Pattern coeval with the Emergent Period.

Overviews of Marin County prehistoric archaeology are found in Goerke and Cowan (1983: 1-4) and Moratto (1984:233-234, 269-276). Many studies have been focused

upon the "Search for Drake," and have been primarily focused upon the Point Reyes region. In eastern Marin County, shellmounds located around Richardson's Bay, Corte Madera, and San Rafael have been a topic of interest for a century, farther north, work has been conducted at sites located along Miller Creek, especially at CA-MRN-138, the Miller Creek Mound (Slaymaker 1977). The Pacheco Valle site, CA-MRN-152, has yielded radiocarbon dates ranging between 3,000 and 3,500 B.P., making it coeval with the West Berkeley site, CA-ALA-307 (Clewlow and Wells 1981; Goerke and Cowan 1983). At Olompali, CA-MRN-193, Slaymaker (1972, 1976) has conducted extensive excavations of a Late Prehistoric-Ethnohistoric Coast Miwok village.

Paleo-Indian Period

During the late Pleistocene and early Holocene (12,000 to 8,000 B.P.), humans first occupied the Bay Area, Central Valley and Coast Range regions of California. However, the archaeological record for early peoples is sparse. Early sites within the Bay Area and Central Valley are often deeply buried under accumulated gravels and silts. Few of these buried sites have been excavated beyond a couple of meters in depth (Moratto 1984; Meyer and Rosenthal 1997). The development of prehistoric chronology in central California has emphasized the latter half of the Holocene (i.e., the last 5,000 years) for which the archaeological record is more abundantly documented (cf., papers in Hughes 1994; Milliken et al. 2007; Moratto 1984: Chapters 5 and 6; Rosenthal et al. 2007).

Early Holocene components have been identified in several sites in the San Francisco Bay area suggesting existence of a Paleo-Coastal Tradition in West-Central California (Fredrickson 1973; Jones and Klar 2007; Moratto 1984). Flaked stone tools associated with the early part of the Paleo-Indian Period (i.e., 12,000-10,000 B.P.) have been found in northern California (Moratto 1984; Rondeau et al. 2007). They include Clovis-like large fluted points that likely were hafted and used as spear points. These large fluted points in northern California tend to be found as isolated artifacts. Elsewhere in western North America they occur in association with the remains of extinct animals such as mammoths and bison. This association has led archaeologists to suggest that these early peoples emphasized hunting large game mammals. Paleo-Indian peoples appear to have formed relatively small groups, were highly mobile and settled around wetlands (e.g., lakes and rivers) where large game were also likely to congregate.

Lower Archaic Period

Like the previous period, the Lower Archaic (8,000-5,000 B.P.) is poorly understood. Few sites have been found because archaeological remains from this time period are largely buried or redeposited. In Central California, Meyer and Rosenthal (1997) discovered a buried component in the Kellogg Creek drainage, at the foot of Mount Diablo, 12 to 14 feet (~3.7-4.2 meters) below surface. It contained a sparse, diverse cultural assemblage, including traces of freshwater mussel, low to moderate densities of faunal material (primarily artiodactyls and small mammals), handstones, milling slabs, large cobble-core tools, and large projectile points and biface fragments (including large wide-stem variants of Napa obsidian). This assemblage suggests long-term, periodic use of the eastern flanks of the Central Valley. Macrofloral remains (acorn and cucumber)

indicate short-term seasonal use, probably associated with a highly mobile adaptation. In the same area, the Marsh Creek site also has a Lower Archaic component, along with several other Central California sites (Meyer and Rosenthal 2009). Tremaine (2008) encountered a site dating from this period in downtown Sacramento, present from 10 to 20 feet (3-6 meters) below the surface.

Middle Archaic Period

It has been argued that during the Middle Archaic Period (5,000-2,200 B.P.) hunting was emphasized, inferred from relative proportions of tools associated with hunting, fishing, and gathering (Heizer 1949). Artifacts characteristic of this period include distinctive shell ornaments and charmstones, large projectile points with concave bases and stemmed points, baked clay balls (used for cooking) and milling tools. Net weights, bone fish hooks, and bone spear tips provide evidence for fishing (Bennyhoff 1950; Gifford 1940; Ragir 1972). Burials from this period, in the Sacramento – San Joaquin Delta Region, tend to be extended, oriented towards the west, and often contain grave goods such as baked clay balls, charmstones, shell beads, and exotic minerals. More recent interpretations of the Middle Archaic note plant resources also were of relatively critical importance, along with freshwater fish (cf., Papers in Corey 2009; Milliken et al. 2007; Rosenthal et al. 2007; Schulz 1981).

Upper Archaic Period

Sites associated with the Upper Archaic Period (2,200-1,000 B.P.), contain substantial midden deposits with shell, mammal and fish bone, charcoal, milling tools, and other artifacts. The number of mortars and pestles increases during this time, suggesting a greater reliance on acorn and seeds. A greater density of obsidian artifacts and shell beads are present in the site assemblages of this time period suggesting a greater complexity of exchange networks and social stratification (cf., papers in Hughes 1994; Milliken et al. 2007; Rosenthal et al 2007). Burials are more often flexed, as opposed to extended, with varied orientations and notably fewer grave offerings, generally involving limited numbers of utilitarian items or ornamental objects (Fredrickson 1974b).

Emergent Period

The Emergent Period dates between 1,000 B.P. and the arrival of the Spanish in central California (i.e., 1770s). This period involves a dramatic change in general economy characterized by large village sites situated on high ground, increased evidence of acorn harvesting and processing (Basgall 1987), introduction and use of the bow and arrow indicated by small projectile points, and use of clamshell disc beads as the primary medium of monetized exchange (cf., papers in Hughes 1994; Milliken et al. 2007; Rosenthal et al. 2007). During the latter part of the period (i.e., within the last 500 years), cremation became a common mortuary practice. Associated grave goods were often burned as well. Sites from the latter portion of this period sometimes contain items of Euro-American manufacture, such as glass trade beads or worked bottle glass. In northeastern Marin County, the Upper Archaic and Emergent Periods are characterized

by development of a primary settlement pattern characterized by primary villages with associated satellite sites (cf., Goerke and Cowan 1983; Moratto 1984; Slaymaker 1977, 1982. These site clusters occur along primary drainages (i.e., Miller, Novato, and San Antonio Creek) or at the interface between upland areas and tidal marshes.

Ethnographic Context

Coast Miwok

The Direct/Indirect APE is located within territory ethnohistorically inhabited by the Coast Miwok (Barrett 1908:303-314; Collier and Thalman 1996; Kelly 1978; Kroeber 1925:272-278; Loeb 1932:113-118). The Coast Miwok territory was in Marin and southern Sonoma counties (Figure 7). The Coast Miwok language is assigned to the Western Division of the Miwokan Subfamily of the Utian Family of the Penutian Stock (Golla 2007; Moratto 1984; Shipley 1978). Two distinct dialect groups characterized the Coast Miwok. One was centered on Bodega Bay. The other was spoken in what is now Marin County.

Coast Miwok subsistence incorporated a variety of maritime and terrestrial resources. The territory of the Coast Miwok included estuaries, open coastline, prairies, low hills, and higher peaks. Winter and early spring posed potential food shortages with stored acorns, seeds, and kelp providing the staples.

Winter and spring salmon runs supplemented winter staples. Surffish were caught with a dip net while a seine strung between two tule balsa canoes was used to obtain fish from San Francisco Bay. Fish were stunned and caught with a fish poison made from wild cucumber. Mussels and clams provided another staple. Coots, geese, ducks and other waterfowl were primarily available during fall-winter-spring. Potential large game included tule elk, deer, and pronghorn, along with marine mammals such as sea otters, seals, and sea lions. Various carnivores, lagomorphs, and rodents also were utilized.

Several species of oak acorns were gathered and eaten with those of the tan oak preferred. Acorns were hulled, ground into a mush with mortar and pestle, and water leached to remove tannins before cooking. Boulders sometimes were used for bedrock mortars. Buckeye nuts were also eaten after leaching to remove poisonous substances. Other plant foods included greens, geophytes, grass and forb seeds, and berries and fruits, all of which were harvested in season.

Coast Miwok living along San Francisco Bay constructed houses from willow or driftwood poles, leaned into a conical skeletal structure. Horizontal willow poles were tied to the uprights to provide additional structural integrity. The house was clad in tule by tying the vegetation to the frame with lupine cordage. A smoke hole provided ventilation but was covered in animal skin when it rained. The central hearth was dug slightly below grade, and covered in stones. Large villages had a sweathouse, excavated below grade and covered in planks. The sweathouse was a men's social center. Large

villages also had dance houses constructed along the same plan as the male sweathouse where secret societies held rituals which were part of the Kuksu Religion.

A strong sense of property and ownership typified the Coast Miwok. Coast Miwok villages controlled discrete territories and excised tolls from outsiders. Land surrounding villages was not regarded as property, however, use rights were attached to resource patches and fishing and hunting localities.

Many social interactions involved various types of transactions. For example, transportation and disposal of a slain bear's head, permission to hunt or fish on owned tracts, acquisition of songs and ritual amulets, curing of all kinds, and initiation into secret societies were all monetary transactions. Clam shell disk beads manufactured from *Saxidomus* sp. were used as money. Abalone shells provided prized material for ornaments which were not part of the monetary system.

Coast Miwok language suggests a moiety organization existed. Personal names included the term for either "land" or "water," but individuals changed their names freely, and siblings often did not share the same land/water affiliation. Kinship patterns and residential location do not appear to have been affected significantly. Therefore, moiety organization probably was vestigial.

The closest known Coast Miwok village, *Olompali*, was within the Indirect APE immediately adjacent to the Direct APE (Figure 7). Kelly (1978:415, Figure 1; see also Barrett 1908:303-314, Map 1; and Maps 1 and 2; Collier and Thalman 1996:4-15 for Coast Miwok place names) notes two other villages were located within an approximate 5 km (~3-miles) radius of the Direct/Indirect APE (Figure 7). These included: *Wotoki* (27), located approximately 4.8 kilometers (~ 3.0 miles) to the north along the Petaluma River; and *Cóik ?éice(?)* (31), situated approximately 4.8 kilometers (~ 3.0 miles) to the southwest, south of Novato. Other villages were present in the vicinity of the current location of Petaluma, along the upper part of San Antonio Creek, and in the vicinity of Novato-Nicasio-Ignacio.

Prehistoric Olompali

The prehistoric/ethnohistoric Coast Miwok village of Olompali, CA-MRN-193/H, now designated Olompali State Historic Park, is situated on the west side of U. S. Highway 101 approximately one-half mile (800 m) northwest from the north end of the Gnoss Field runway (Arrigoni 1990:208-211;Mason 1971:104-111; Munro-Fraser 1880). The village appears to have been given its name from the Coast or Lake Miwok word meaning "southerners", this from the stem "olom" meaning south (Parkman et al 1981). European and Coast Miwok interaction(s) possibly first occurred in 1579 with the visit of Francis Drake and his crew to Marin County during their round-the-world voyage. Treganza (1958) excavated a trench through the middle of CA-MRN-193/H, searching for evidence of Sir Francis Drake's 1579 voyage to the San Francisco Bay Area. He found no artifacts associated with the early period of European contact.

Subsequent archaeological excavations conducted at Olompali recovered many artifacts temporally placing the village within the Upper Emergent Period, c. A.D. 1500-1800. (Parkman 2007; Slaymaker 1976). A diagnostic attribute of the Upper Emergent Period is the appearance and use of clamshell disc money and further growth of trade, with more goods moving farther. Among diagnostic artifacts recovered from CA-MRN-193/H (Olompali) are clamshell disc beads, steatite disc beads, plummet-shaped charmstones, small serrated corner-notched projectile points, and flat-bottomed, thin walled mortars Also, unearthed were remains of several structures, one of which was identified as a ceremonial dance house (Slaymaker 1976). In central California, ceremonial dance houses typically occur in larger villages.

While excavating the Olompali dance house, a silver sixpence coin dated 1567, minted in the Tower of London, was found (Slaymaker 1976). The coin was on the dance house floor near a hearth which was radiocarbon-dated to about A.D. 1600. Two Elizabethan glass paste beads, commonly used as trade goods by the English during this period, also were observed (Parkman 2007).

Historic Context

Historic exploration of the San Francisco Bay Area, including Marin County, begins with Gaspar de Portolá's exploration of the Bay Area in 1769 (Beck and Haase 1974). Portolá's expedition provided an incomplete impression of the Bay geography, thus prompting another expedition. In 1770, Pedro Fages found a land route from Monterey to San Francisco in 1770. After sighting the mouth of the Bay (later named the Golden Gate by John C. Frémont) Fages returned to Monterey. During 1776, Juan Bautista de Anza started the first permanent European settlement in the region, by leading an expedition that constructed the *Presidio de San Francisco* and the Mission *San Francisco de Assisi*.

Early Spanish-Mexican Exploration and Settlement of Marin County

Marin County is one of the original 27 counties of California (Hoover et. al. 2002). The name most likely is a transformation of the Spanish name for San Rafael Bay *La Bahia de Nuestra Señora Rosario de la Marinera* (Bay of Our Lady of the Mariner's Rosary). An alternative place name story is that the county is named for Chief Marin, a Native American who harassed and attacked the Spanish settlers during the early years of the nineteenth century. During 1810 and 1812-1814, Gabriel Moraga led several Spanish expeditions to the Marin-Sonoma area which probably passed through the Indirect APE near the Direct APE (Beck and Haase 1974:17-18). In 1817, Chief Marin was captured by the Spanish, but escaped, and continued his campaign against the settlers for another nine years (Hoover et. al. 2002). Mission San Rafael Arcangel was established in December 1817 (Beck and Haase 1974:18-19). During 1821, the Luis Arguello-Father Blas Ordaz party journeyed through the Indirect APE on their circuit through northwestern California. They were followed in 1823 by Alferez Sanchez and Father Jose Altimira, who decided upon establishing the final mission at Sonoma. After mission

secularization in 1834, 20 Mexican land grants were made in Marin County, beginning in 1838 (Beck and Haase 1974:28-29. Several were located within the Novato area.

Local Northeast Marin History

Novato

Novato's history is profiled by Arrigoni (1990:194-205), Futcher (1981:149-151), Mason (1975:154-165), and Munro-Fraser (1880:290-295). In 1839, the Mexican government granted Rancho Novato to Fernando Feliz (Hoover et. al. 2002). The rancho extended along San Francisco Bay from Black Point to Rancho San José (Beck and Haase 1975). Among other land grants in the Novato area were Rancho San Jose (1840), Corte Madera do Novato (1840), Rancho Olompali (1843), and Rancho Nicasio (1844). These were occupied by the grantees, who built abode homes, raised cattle, and planted crops. With the advent of the American Period in 1846-1848, and California's admission as a state in 1850, settlement of northeast Marin County proceeded. Beginning in the 1850s, the Novato area became the locus of large-scale fruit-growing, especially apples. Fruit and other local produce were shipped by barge to San Francisco where it found a ready market. A town began to grow, centered on Novato Creek. The oldest extant building in Novato was built circa 1850 and later housed the Novato Post Office, headed by Henry F. Jones (Hoover et. al. 2002).

Joseph B. Sweetster and Francis De Long contributed to the early development and economic prosperity of the town by planting orchards and vineyards, growing produce that was shipped to San Francisco from the landing at Novato Creek. Sweetser sold his share of the ranch to DeLong in 1879. Upon his death, De Long transferred his interest in the ranch to his son. In 1888 The Home and Farm Company purchased the 6,000-acre ranch and subdivided the land into small lots for residential and business development.

During 1879, the Northwestern Pacific Railroad reached northeastern Marin County (Stindt 1964). This connected Novato with the rest of eastern Marin County and Sonoma County. The area around the Novato station became the core area of "New Town," while the older area along Novato Creek became "Old Town." During the 1880s fruit growing was joined by poultry raising, vegetable farming, and dairying in northeastern Marin. These agricultural activities increasingly occurred on reclaimed marshlands.

With its saloons, wooden sidewalks and horse troughs, Novato's frontier image persisted into the early twentieth century. However, modernization proceeded rapidly with the advent of the first automobile and telephone exchange (1908), organization of a community council and building of a community center (1919-1923), the advent of what became U. S. Highway 101 (mid-1920s), the first Novato Harvest Festival (1925), and a fire district (1926). During the 1930s Depression, many fruit and poultry farmers in northeast Marin went out of business, and Novato went into an economic decline. This was partially mitigated with construction of Hamilton Field in 1933-1935 which provided a new source of jobs. Completion of the Golden Gate Bridge in 1937 began Marin County's role as a "bedroom community" for San Francisco.

During World War II, rising taxes and labor costs impacted many farmers, who began selling their land to developers. In 1947-1948, U. S. Highway 101 was upgraded to a four-lane expressway through Novato. During 1948, Novato became part of the North Marin Water District. The explosive growth of largely unregulated uncontrolled tract housing in the late 1940s-1950s led to an increased demand for more formal community organization. On January 12, 1960, Novato voted overwhelmingly to incorporate as a city. Since 1960, Novato has continued to grow in a more orderly, planned manner. During the 1970s, the U. S. 101 Expressway through Novato was upgraded to freeway status.

Historic Olompali

Milliken (1995:249) comments that the Olompali also were known as the Choquinicos, the tribal name which their captain was baptized as in 1817 at Mission San Jose. The exact territory occupied by the Olompali is a subject of debate. In 1819, Father Payeras visited San Antonio Creek and named it the *Canada de los Olompalis*. Barrett (1908:310) and Kroeber (1925:273-274) regarded San Antonio Creek as the Olompali core area. Slaymaker (1982) placed the Olompali farther east within the current Olompali State Park. However, this area may have been a border zone between between Olompali territory and that of the Omiomis of Novato (Milliken 1995:228, Map 4). Milliken notes 83 Olompali went to Mission San Francisco from 1814 to 1819. During 1816-1817, an additional 120 came to Mission San Jose.

Other early mission records indicate a larger Native American population may have lived at Olompali. Records from three missions: San Francisco de Asís (1776); San José de Guadalupe (1797); and San Rafael Arcángel (1817) suggest over 250 baptisms were performed on people from Olompali. Olompali baptism numbers include (Parkman et al 1981):

- Missions San Francisco de Asís recorded 23 baptisms (1814-1816).
- Missions San José de Guadalupe recorded 226 baptisms (1816-1818).
- Missions San Rafael Arcángel recorded 10 baptisms (1817-1822).

After the Sonoma Mission was established in 1823, regular trade was conducted along the El Camino Real which passed through the Olompali Rancheria. It was during this time that the first adobe was constructed, probably by neophytes from the San Rafael Mission.

Following mission secularization in 1834, Camillo Ynitia emerged as the young "Christianized" leader of Olompali. He was the last headman of the village, and was given official title to the Rancho Olompali Land Grant (roughly two leagues of land) in 1843 (Figure 8). He was the only Northern California Indian to later have his grant subsequently confirmed and patented by the U.S. Government (Parkman et al 1981).

During the Bear Flag Rebellion on June 24, 1846, a brief skirmish, "The Battle of Olompali", took place at the village, where a Mexican force gathered at Camillo's adobe. Captain John Fremont's American troops, under the command of Lieutenant Henry L. Ford, confronted Juan Padilla's Californios, under the command of Captain Joaquin de la Torre. The Californios were having breakfast at the adobe which was unknown to the Americans as they made an attempt to raid the corral for horses. In the ensuing fight, at least one of the Californios died, making this the only action of the Bear Flag Revolt to produce casualties (Hoover et al 2002).

Camillo sold the majority of his land to Marin County Assessor, James Black, in 1852 for \$5,200. He retained a small parcel known as Apalacocha. According to Dr. Robert Thomas, Camillo's great-great grandson, the Ynitia family lived in the adobe until 1856 when Camillo was killed outside his door (Parkman et al 1981).

In 1852, James Black bought the majority of Camillo Ynitia's Rancho Olompali Grant for \$5,200 (Arrigoni 1990:208-211; Mason 1971:104-111; Parkman 1981). Originally from Scotland, Black was previously married, and had a daughter, Mary. He made a fortune during the Gold Rush, and was elected Marin County Tax Assessor in 1852. When Mary Black married Galen Burdell in 1863, her father gave her Olompali Ranch as her wedding present. During the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries, the original Olompali adobe was progressively expanded into the Burdell Mansion. The property stayed in the Burdell family until 1943 when it was sold to Court Harrington.

Harrington subsequently sold the property to the University of San Francisco who used it as a Jesuit retreat. In the 1960s the University of San Francisco tried to sell the property many times. However, each time buyers defaulted, and the land reverted back to the university. In 1967, Don McCoy leased the property and founded a commune called "The Chosen". During this time he hosted musical artists from San Francisco, including Grace Slick, Janis Joplin and The Grateful Dead. The Grateful Dead recorded at least one album "Aoxomoxoa" at Olompali, and the photo for the back of their album cover was taken there, showing band and commune members (Parkman 2007). In 1969, after the drowning death of two children and a fire, which gutted the Burdell Mansion, the commune members had to vacate the property. The Camillo Ynitia Adobe was added to the National Register of Historic Places in 1973. During the early 1970s, the barns at Olompali were leased as stables to a riding club. In 1977, Olompali was purchased by the State of California and eventually made into a State Historic Park.

Gnoss Field

Use of what became Gnoss Field dates to 1939 (Arrigoni 1990:206-207; Mason 1975:170-171). In that year, William Wright, who owned the property, built a landing strip for his small plane. In 1945-1946, after trying to sell his airport to Marin County for \$1,000 an acre, Wright leased the field to Woody Binford. During 1947, teamed with Jack Lewis, Binford built a 3,000 foot dirt runway, two hangers, and an office, and opened a flying school. It operated until 1949, when a change in flight school training

regulations ended its existence. In 1950, operation of the field passed to Harry Tollefson, who ran the field's facilities until the late 1960s.

During the late 1950s and early 1960s, the Marin County board of supervisors considered several sites for a county airport before finally deciding upon the Novato facility. In 1968 the county, aided by federal funding, bought the field along with additional land. It was named for William Gnoss, the highly popular North Marin supervisor who had worked for many years to expand aviation in Marin. During 1968, a 3,300-foot runway, 60 feet wide, was asphalt-paved, and a facilities complex built at the south end of the field. The field soon was home for 1,200 plus small aircraft, and witnessed approximately 125,000 takeoffs and landings per year. Additional plans for construction of a control tower and an additional runway have not been realized.

EXPECTATIONS

The Direct APE has a moderate to high potential for the presence of prehistoric cultural resources. Although no cultural resources have been recorded within the Direct APE, 18 archaeological sites (14 prehistoric, two multi-component, two historic) have been recorded within a one-mile radius of the Direct APE. Nine of the prehistoric sites form a site complex, beginning approximately 800 m west of the Direct APE, centered on the ethnohistoric village of Olompali, CA-MRN-193.

Given that the prehistoric-ethnohistoric village complex of Olompali is located only 800 meters west from the Direct APE; a fairly high possibility exists for presence of "satellite" task and other sites exists within or in the vicinity of the Direct APE. Small villages or temporary campsites were often located near perennial watercourses, and/or resource patches, with larger villages situated in closer proximity to major watercourses such as San Antonio or Novato Creeks. Resource procurement activities (i.e., hunting, food gathering, trade, etc.) regularly took people out of their residential locations into the surrounding landscapes. Therefore, if prehistoric resources are to be encountered, they will likely consist of evidence of these resource procurement activities and/or associated temporary campsites. Evidence for such activities would most likely be present as stone tools, waste materials resulting from stone tool production, and/or ecofacts (i.e., shellfish remains, animal bone).

Additionally, a potential exists for the presence of buried cultural materials within the Direct APE. Although the Direct APE is currently located within reclaimed tidal marsh, San Francisco Bay and its associated marshes only reached their historic extent approximately 4,000-5,000 years ago. Prior to that time, the Direct APE would have been near the Petaluma River, and characterized by upland alluvial soils with attendant floral, faunal, and human presence. Therefore, the potential exists within the Direct APE for occurrence of subsurface cultural materials beneath the marsh deposits.

It is unlikely surficial prehistoric cultural resources will be encountered in the Airport runway or associated facilities, which have been constructed upon imported fill. They also are unlikely to occur within portions of reclaimed tidal marsh within the Direct APE, except for possibly along tidal sloughs. The potential for encountering surficial prehistoric cultural resources in the Direct APE is greater to the west in areas proximal to the former interface between the tidal marsh and upland areas, and also within the Indirect APE around the Olompali site complex. Prehistoric cultural resources also may occur on buried Early-Middle Holocene surfaces and below within the reclaimed tidal marsh.

Expectation of the presence of historic era cultural resources is moderate to high. Within the Direct APE and its immediate vicinity, they most likely would be associated with transportation (i.e., establishment and development of the U. S. Highway 101 and Northwestern Pacific Railroad corridors) and agricultural activities (i.e., those associated the Olompali Rancho and neighboring properties). Two previously recorded historic archaeological sites located in the Indirect APE within one mile of the Direct APE include a portion of former U. S. Highway 101 and a segment of the Northwestern Pacific (NWPRR) grade. A historic concrete cattle trough, a refuse scatter, and a Dairy complex are present within the Indirect APE within approximately three miles of the Direct APE.

Historic maps (Figure 9) depict several structures within the Indirect APE, including those associated with the historic Rancho Olompali complex, roads (among which is the probable original route of what became U. S. Highway 101), and the NWPRR within one mile. Potential historic era cultural resources that may occur within the Direct APE include structures, historic landscape modifications associated with land reclamation or agriculture (i.e., ditches, levees, dikes, walls, fences, barns and outbuildings, corrals, etc.), and transportation features (roads, railroads, bridges, culverts, associated facilities and utilities). Additionally, some of the buildings associated with Gnoss Field may be older than 50 years. Historic period cultural resources may be encountered throughout the Direct APE.

FIELD METHODS

May 5-7, 2008 Survey. On May 5-7, 2008, Kimberly Kersey and Daniel Trout of TREMAINE conducted an intensive pedestrian survey of a portion of the northern APE. The survey included 100 percent coverage of an irregularly-shaped parallelogram with an associated access road corridor located immediately north from the current Airport runway. The survey area totaled approximately 12.4 acres.

The survey was conducted in linear transects roughly running southwest-northeast. Transects were spaced no further than 10 meters apart, and often were placed at much narrower intervals. Ground cover was cleared to inspect exposed ground surface for cultural materials, changes in soil color and texture, or other evidence of previous human

occupation. A hand-held GPS unit, digital camera, and appropriate documentation materials for recordation of any observed cultural resources were used.

September 26, 2009 Survey. On September 26, 2009, an intensive archaeological survey was conducted by John Lopez and Kim Tremaine. It was focused upon the remaining portion of the northern APE as well as the southern APE. Survey methodology was the same as that employed during the May 5-7, 2008 survey.

STUDY RESULTS AND CONCLUSIONS

Previous Disturbances

The original construction of Gnoss Field resulted in impacts to the area beneath and immediately surrounding the existing runway and hangars. Additionally, reclamation of bay marshlands, construction of the Northwestern Pacific Railroad, U. S. Highway 101, various ancillary and access roads, and historic period agricultural activities have also impacted the APE and its immediate vicinity. These impacts may have damaged or obscured prehistoric, ethnohistoric, and/or historic cultural resources.

Ground Visibility

During the field surveys, ground visibility was poor, varying from about 10 to 20 percent due to dense vegetation. Much of the southern APE was inundated with a shallow (1-2 inch deep) pond hosting tules and other aquatic vegetation. This made survey in this locale impossible. The far end of the northern APE, composed of gently undulating marshland, hosted grasses, herbs, and forbs in the elevated areas, in contrast to the periodically inundated bottomlands which were generally vegetation-free and sandy.

Surface Findings

No *surficial* prehistoric, ethnohistoric, or historic cultural resources were observed during intensive survey of the APEs. No culturally significant plants (Appendix C) were noted.

Subsurface Findings

A very limited subsurface testing effort was undertaken to determine presence/absence of buried cultural materials given poor ground visibility and possible paleo-living surfaces beneath accumulated San Francisco Bay infill over the last 10,000 years. Eight shovel test probes (STPs) were excavated to sample locations within the northern APE (Figure 10). These were 30 by 30 cm in size, and dug in approximate 10 cm levels to depths of 10 to 80 cm below the surface. Most probes were terminated at 60 cm. Excavated soils (silt loam and clay) were passed through 1/8-inch hardware mesh. No cultural materials were observed.

Caveat

It is possible that buried cultural deposits were missed given the limited subsurface sampling effort and overall poor ground visibility.

Unanticipated Discovery of Human Remains

In the event that any human remains or any associated funerary objects are encountered during construction, all work will cease within the vicinity of the discovery. In accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) (Section 1064.5) and the California Health and Safety Code (Section 7050.5), the county coroner should be contacted immediately. If the human remains are determined to be Native American, the coroner will notify the Native American Heritage Commission, who will notify and appoint a Most Likely Descendent (MLD). The MLD will work with a qualified archaeologist to decide the proper treatment of the human remains and any associated funerary objects.

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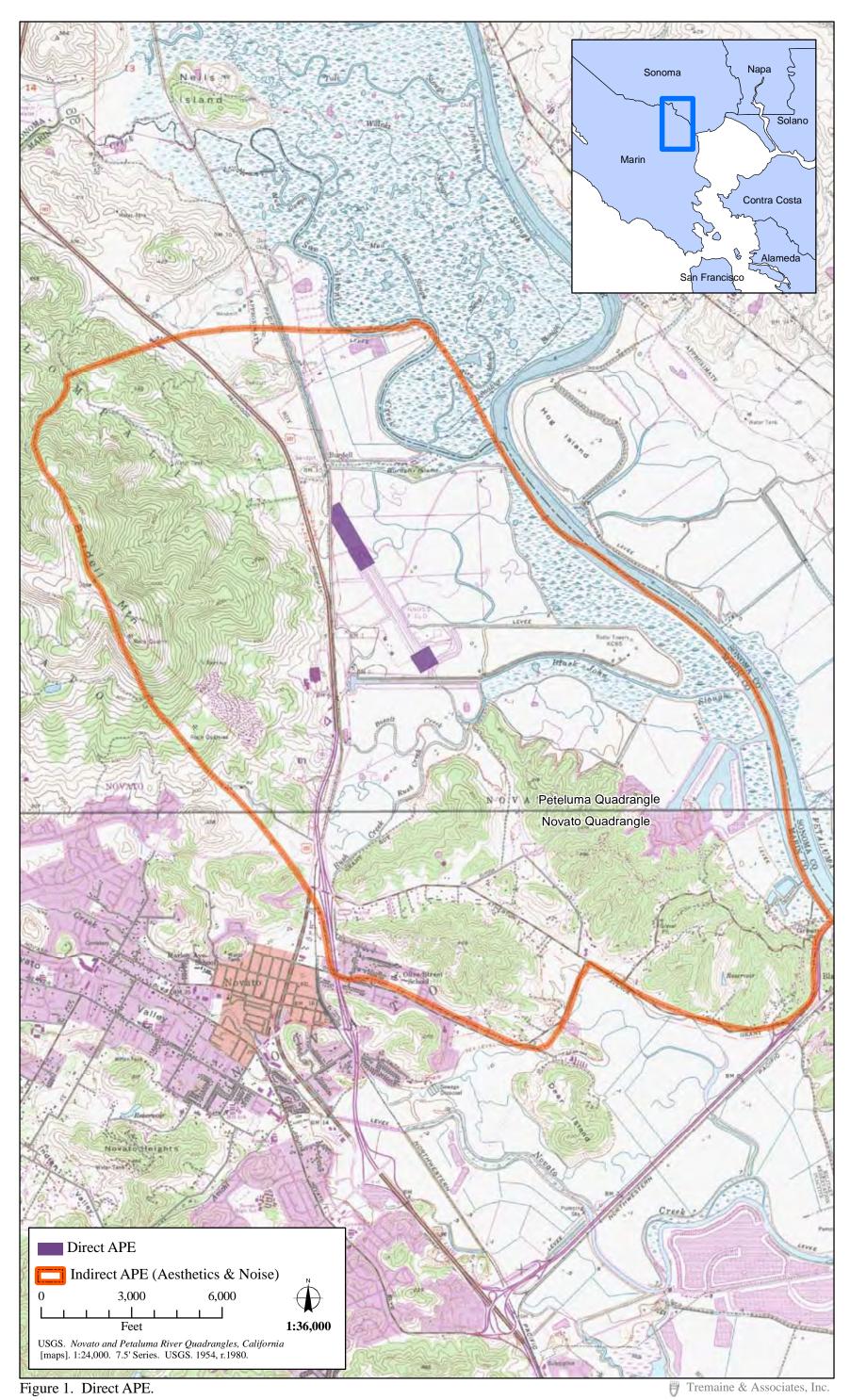
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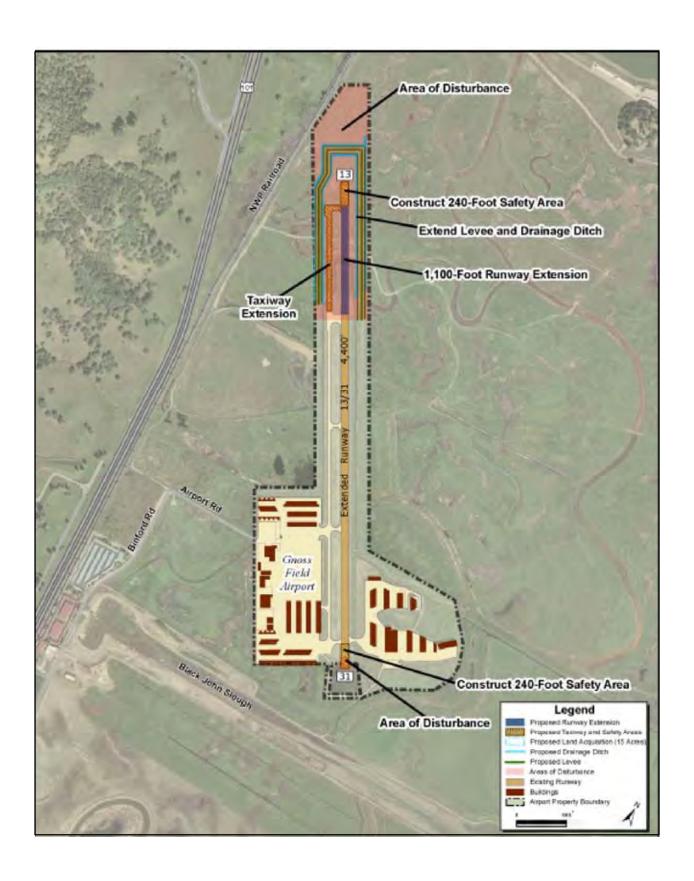


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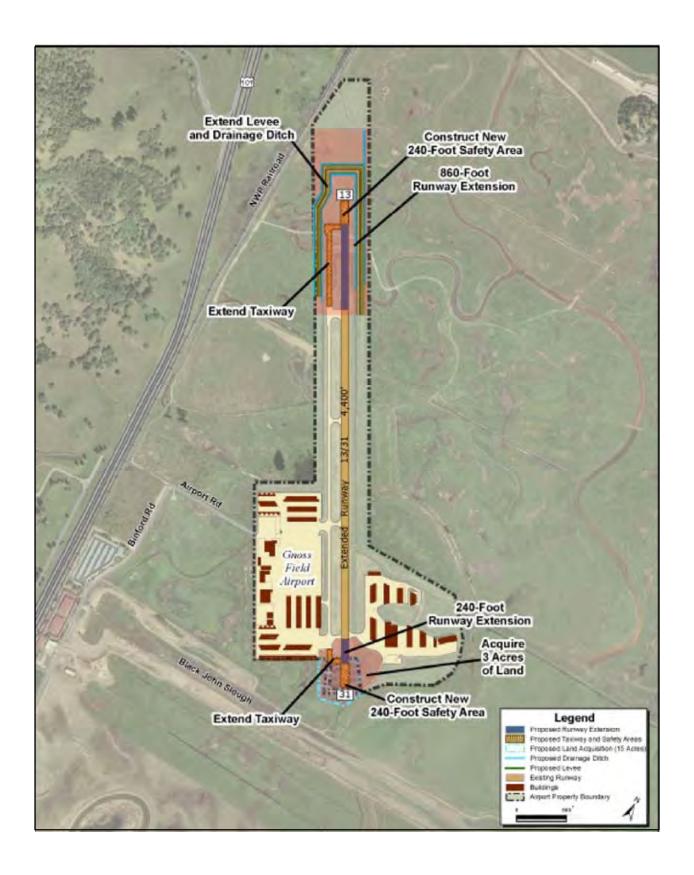


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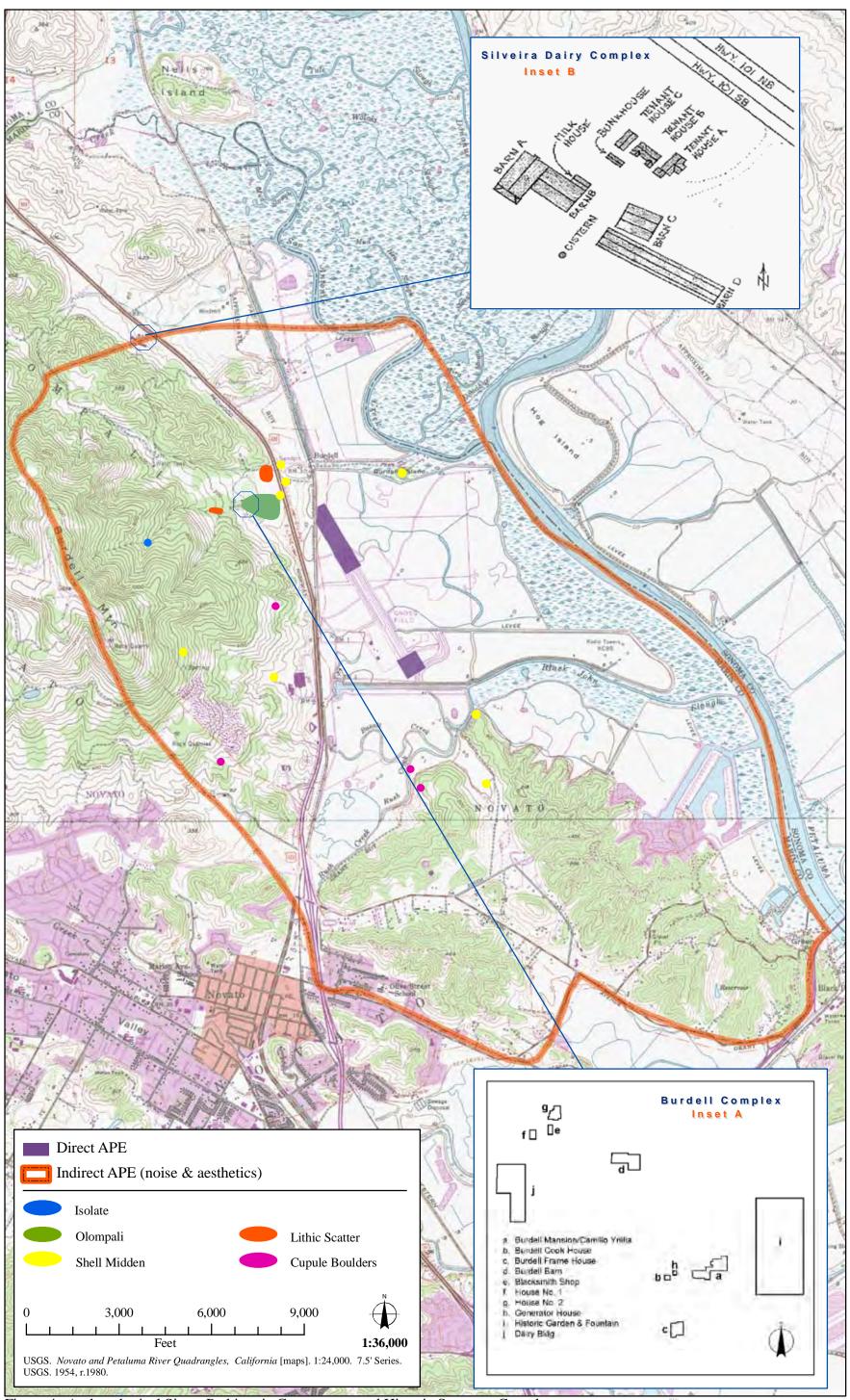


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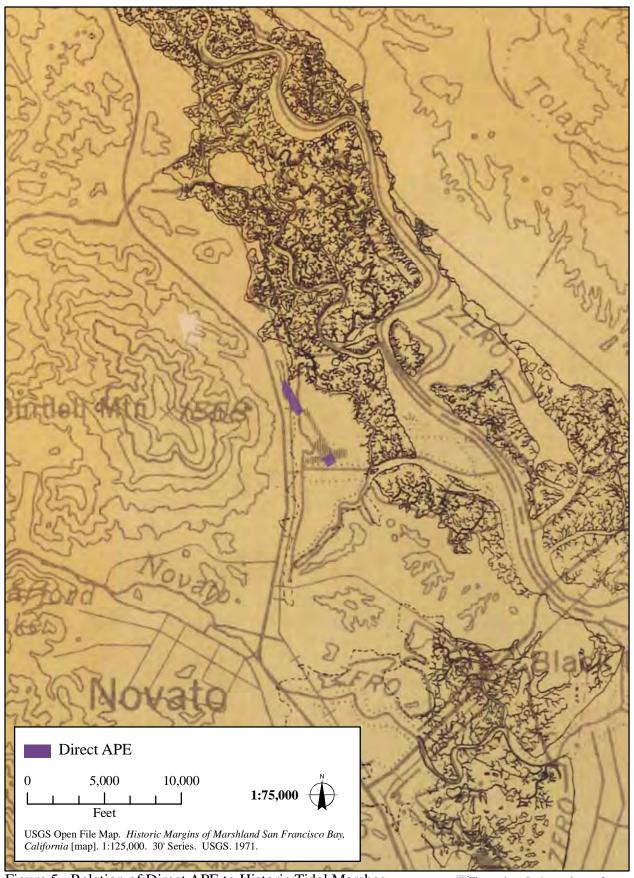


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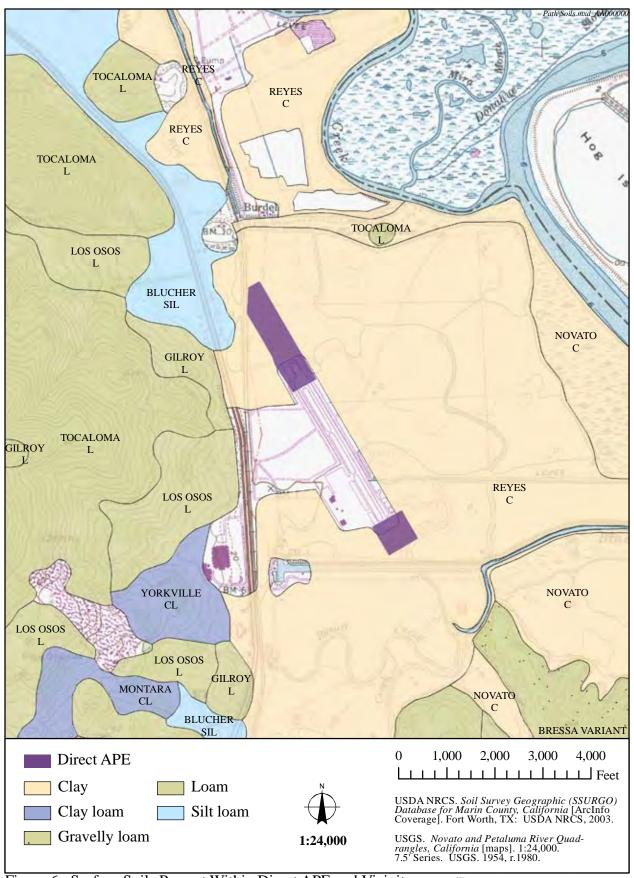


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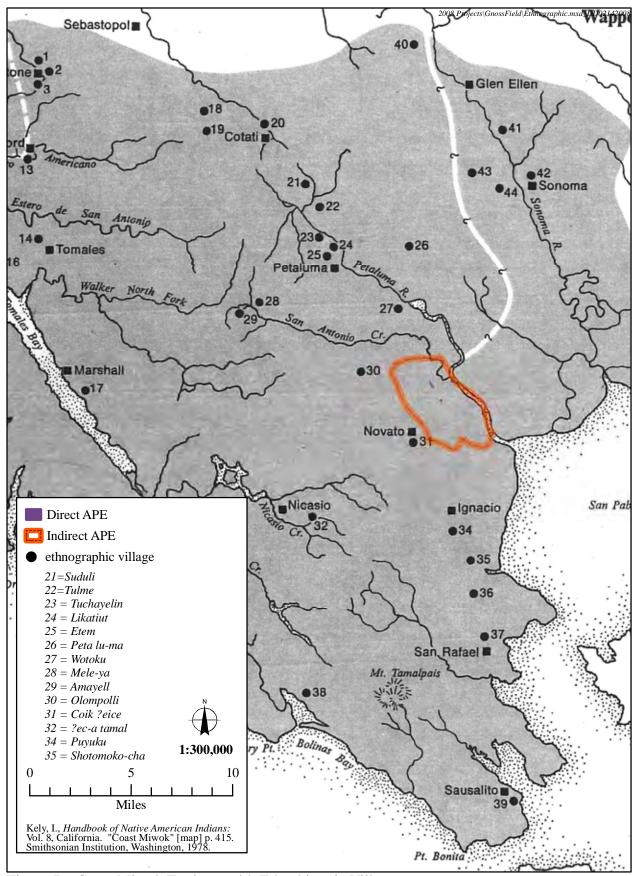
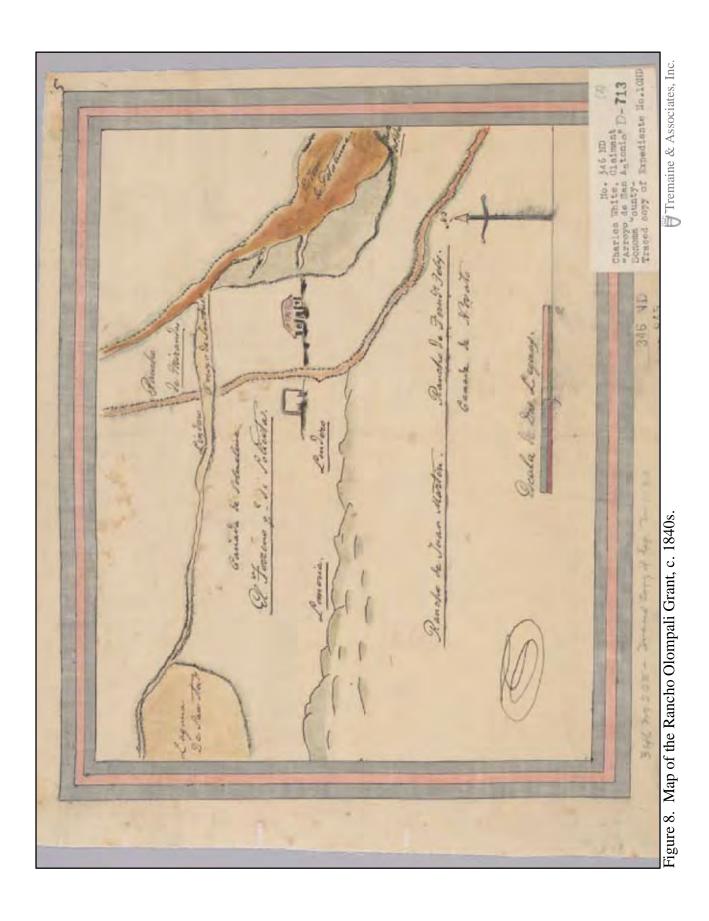


Figure 7. Coast Miwok Territory with Ethnohistoric Villages in Portions of Marin and Adjacent Southern Sonoma Counties (From Kelly 1978, Fig. 1).



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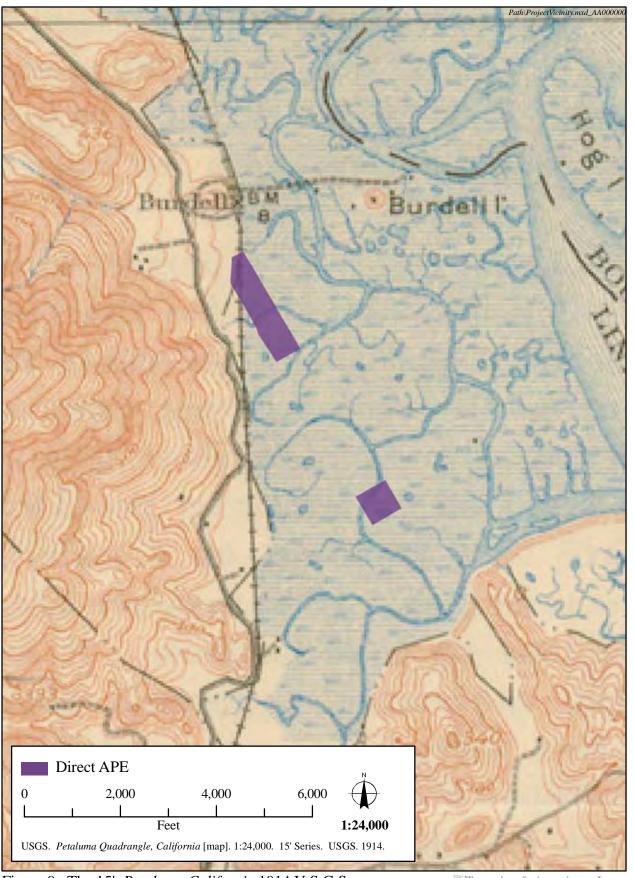


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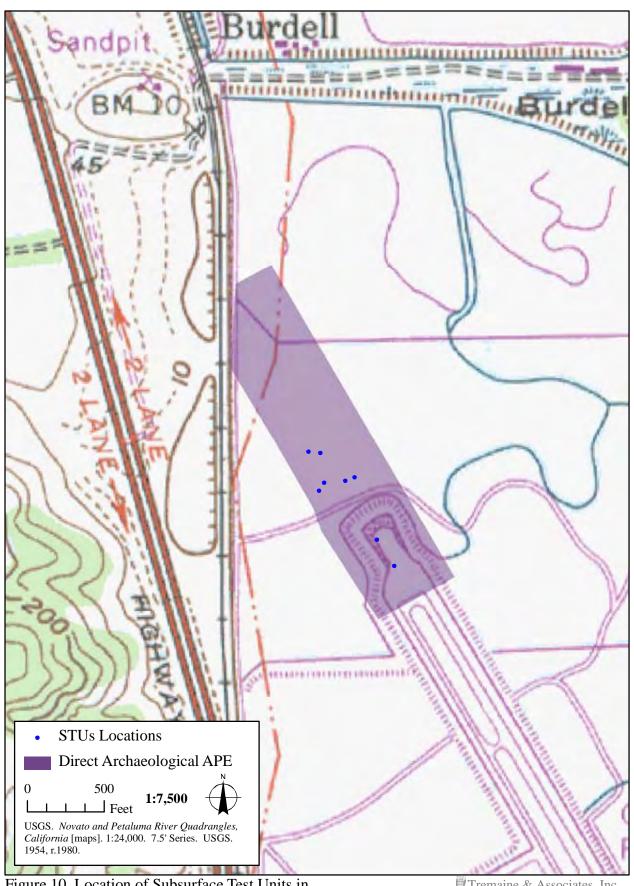
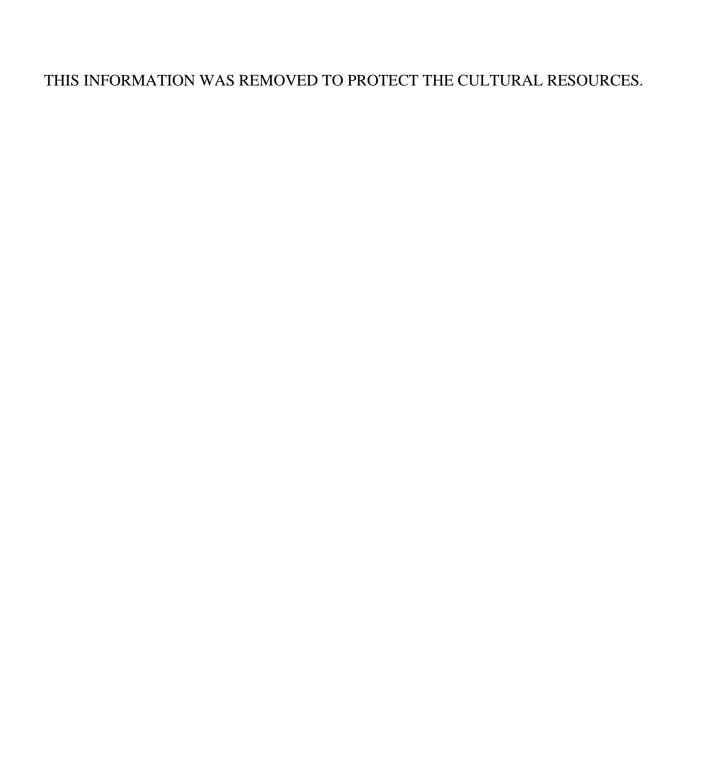


Figure 10. Location of Subsurface Test Units in Direct APE.

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APPENDIX A: RECORDS SEARCH DOCUMENTATION

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February 4, 2008

Ms. Leigh Jordan Northwest Information Center Sonoma State University 1303 Maurice Avenue Rohnert Park, CA 94928

Dear Ms. Jordan:

I am requesting a RAPID RESPONSE record search for the Gnoss Field Airport EIR Project in Marin County, California. Please contact me if this search will take longer than TWO HOURS to complete.

Enclosed is one 1:24,000 quadrangle map with the project area clearly delineated by a red dot, with a 1/4 mile search buffer in yellow. Please perform a standard [rapid response] record search checking all sources on file at the Information Center. Please provide copies of site records and the title pages of reports within the study area; please see the specific instructions on the checklist that I have attached.

If you have any questions, feel free to call ME at 916.376.0656; or you may reach me on my field phone at 707.689.6729.

Sincerely,

Kim Kersey

Archaeologist

Enc. One USGS Quadrangle Map, One Records Search Request Form

California Historical Resources Information System

Regular Rate	Rapid Response Rate	2 HOURS
Date:	February 5, 2008	
Name:	Kim Kersey	
Phone#:	(916)376-0656 or cell (707)689-6729	
Affiliation:	Tremaine & Associates, Inc.	
Address:	859 Stillwater Rd. Ste 1, West Sacramento, Ca 95605	
Project:	Gnoss Field Airport EIR	
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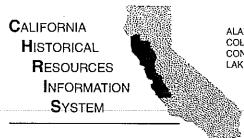
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<u>MEMO</u>

Date: 8 February 2008

To: Kim Kersey, Tremaine & Associates, Inc., 859 Stillwater Road, Suite 1, West

Sacramento, CA 95605

From: Lisa Hagel

Re: Gnoss Field Airport EIR, NWIC File #: 07-1121

Petaluma River & Novato 7.5'

Sites in or within 1 mile radius of the project area: CA-MRN-198 is within the project area. CA-MRN-194, 195, 322, 448, 449, 450, 477, 508, 510, 526, 385, 470, 190, & 189; P-21-218, 552, 2537, 2618, & 2576 are within one mile. Enclosed are copies of the site record forms. The site locations are plotted on the enclosed maps.

Studies in or within 1 mile radius of the project area: S-22592, 22823, 22951, & 22086 are within the project boundaries. S-8226, 9795, 16138, 17563, 18496, 28400, 17451, 13069, 30258, 33628, 126, 12801, 2782, 13217, 29665, 19876, 9927, 14915, 13569, 7082, 1622, 3000, 17948, 952, 1655, 6989, 2348, 2349, 20352, 30224, 23444, 1814, 18567, 20726, 22943, 5693, 19152, 11596, 22022, & 27667 are within one mile. Enclosed are bibliographic references for the reports. The study locations are plotted on the enclosed maps.

OHP Historic Properties Directory: Copied the indices for Novato.

California Inventory of Historical Resources: Copied the index page with a listing in Olompali.

Historic maps (copied the pertinent sections of the maps):

1859 Rancho Olompali Plat Map

1859 Rancho Novato Plat Map

1871 GLO Plat Map, T4N, R6W (we do not have a GLO Plat Map for T3N, R6W)

1914 USGS Petaluma Quadrangle

EXPANDED RECORDS SEARCH DOCUMENTATION

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Enc. One USGS Quadrangle Map, One Records Search Request Form

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Name:	Kim Kersey (916)376-0656 or cell (707)689-6729 Tremaine & Associates, Inc. 859 Stillwater Rd. Ste 1, West Sacramento, Ca 95605 Gnoss Field Airport EIR-expanded south portion of project area				
Phone#:					
Affiliation:					
Address:					
Project:					
PJ Address	East of Hwy 101 approximately 1 mile north of Novato				
County:	Marin				
UTM:					
Quad:	Petaluma River				
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Copies of entire site records:

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Copies of entire study reports:

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Bibliographic references:

within the project area

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INVENTORIES

Please check:

within the project area

Yes	No
Yes	No

Yes ⊘ No

* Historic Properties Directory, including:

- National Register of Historic Places
- California Register
- California Historical Landmarks
- California Points of Historical Interest
- * California Inventory of Historic Resources:
- * Other Historic Inventories, if applicable:

Yes	0	No
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OTHER

historic maps Yes ⊗ No

Please list:

historic maps GLO Plats soil survey maps



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MEMO

Date: 14 April 2008

To: Kim Kersey, Tremaine & Associates, Inc., 859 Stillwater Road, Suite 1, West

Sacramento, CA 95605

From: Lisa Hagel

Re: Gnoss Field Airport EIR – expanded south portion of project area; NWIC File #:

07-1448

Novato 7.5'

Sites within the project area: P-21-2626, 213, 2631, 217, 201, 450, 449, 377, & 376 are within the project area. Enclosed are copies of the site record forms. The site locations are plotted on the enclosed maps.

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OHP Historic Properties Directory: Copied the indices for Novato.

California Inventory of Historical Resources: There were no listings in the vicinity of the project.

Soil Survey of Marin County, California: Copied the pertinent map & legend.

Historic maps (copied the pertinent sections of the maps): 1859 Rancho Novato Plat Map 1914 USGS Petaluma Quadrangle

APPENDIX B: NATIVE AMERICAN CONSULTATION

INITIAL CONSULTATION

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February 14, 2008

Ms. Gloria Tomei Native American Heritage Commission 915 Capitol Mall, Room 364 Sacramento, California 95814

Re: Marin County Airport (Gnoss Field) EIR

Dear Ms. Tomei:

We are conducting an archaeological investigation to contribute a cultural resources chapter for the Marin County Airport (Gnoss Field) EIR, Marin County, California.

Marin County, California, T3N R6W: Sections 5 & 6, and T4N R6W: Sections 29, 30, 31 and 32; *Petaluma River* Quadrangle. Attached is the 7.5' Quad Map.

We are requesting that you review your Sacred Lands file for any cultural resources within the project area. In addition, please send a list of names of Native American individuals/organizations who may have knowledge of cultural resources in the project area. We would like to provide them with the opportunity to express any concerns they might have about the project.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call me at 916-376-0656 extension 113.

Sincerely, Kimberly Kersey

Enclosures: 1 U.S.G.S. topographic map

STATE OF CALIFORNIA

<u> Arnold Schwarzenegger, Governor</u>

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February 20, 2008

Kimberly Kersey Tremaine & Associates, Inc. 859 Stillwater Road, Suite 1 West Sacramento, CA 95605

Sent by Fax: 916-376-0676 Number of Pages: 2

Re: Proposed Marin County Airport, Marin County.

Dear Ms. Kersey:

A record search of the sacred land file has failed to indicate the presence of Native American cultural resources in the immediate project area. The absence of specific site information in the sacred lands file does not indicate the absence of cultural resources in any project area. Other sources of cultural resources should also be contacted for information regarding known and recorded sites.

Enclosed is a list of Native Americans individuals/organizations who may have knowledge of cultural resources in the project area. The Commission makes no recommendation or preference of a single individual, or group over another. This list should provide a starting place in locating areas of potential adverse impact within the proposed project area. I suggest you contact all of those indicated, if they cannot supply information, they might recommend others with specific knowledge. By contacting all those listed, your organization will be better able to respond to claims of failure to consult with the appropriate tribe or group. If a response has not been received within two weeks of notification, the Commission requests that you follow-up with a telephone call to ensure that the project information has been received.

If you receive notification of change of addresses and phone numbers from any of these individuals or groups, please notify me. With your assistance we are able to assure that our lists contain current information. If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact me at (916) 653-4038.

Sincerely,

Debble Pilas-Treadway

Environmental Specialist III

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Sonoma County November 12, 2008

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February 22, 2008

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The Federated Indians of Graton Rancheria
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RE: Proposed Gnoss Field (Marin County Airport) EIR Study

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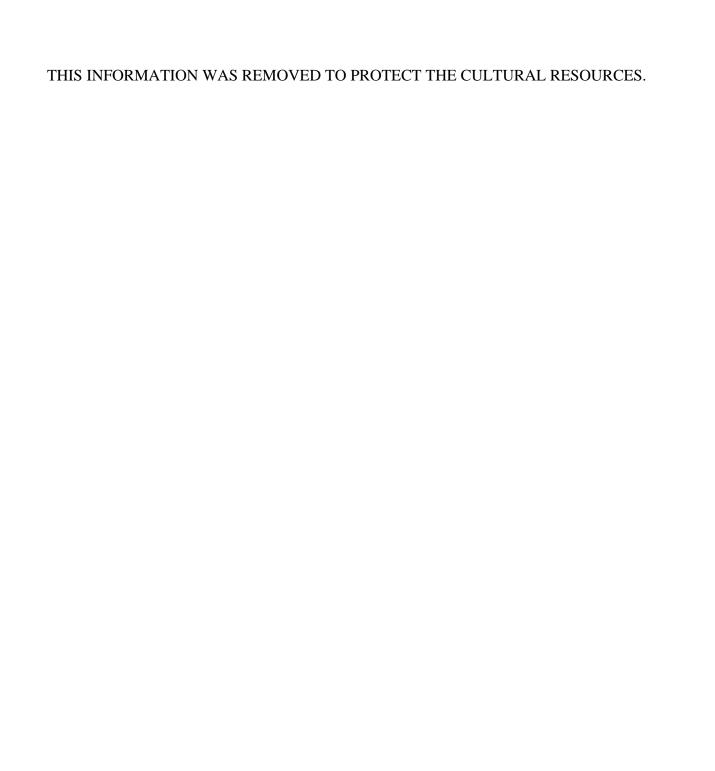
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ADDITIONAL NATIVE AMERICAN CORRESPONDENCE



Western-Pacific Region Airports Division San Francisco Airports District Office 831 Mitten Road, Room 210 Burlingame, CA 94010

June 23, 2011

Mr. Nick Tipon Sacred Sites Protection Committee Federated Indians of Graton Rancheria 6400 Redwood Drive, Suite 300 Rohnert Park, CA 94928

Subject: Gnoss Field Airport Runway Extension Project, Marin County, California

Dear Mr. Tipon:

Thank you for your letter of February 15, 2011 providing the comments of the Federated Indians of Graton Rancheria (FIGR) on the cultural resources report for the Gnosis Field Airport Runway Extension Project, Marin County, California. In your letter you indicated your interest in receiving information associated with archeological mitigation for the project. The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) has reviewed your comments and coordinated with the County of Marin. The FAA concluded that your requests for additional information could be accommodated as described below.

- The FAA will incorporate into the Environmental Impact Statement a cultural resources mitigation measure to have an archeological monitor on-site during initial excavation of the project site. The archeological site monitor would be required to meet the Secretary of Interior's Archeology and Historic Preservation Standards and Guidelines, Professional Qualifications Standards for Archeology. The archeological site monitor would be responsible for identifying any unknown, previously unrecorded, archeological sites inadvertently exposed by excavation for the project.
- The FIGR requested information regarding the identity and qualifications of the archeological site monitor. Under state and federal requirements, the County of Marin is required to follow a competitive procurement process to obtain construction contractors and the associated archeological site monitor for the proposed runway extension project. Once the County of Marin the awards a contract for this work, the contractor(s) identity and background become a matter of public record and the FIGR can obtain that information upon request from the County of Marin. However, any archeological site monitor would be required to meet the Secretary of Interior's Archeology and Historic Preservation Standards and Guidelines, Professional Qualifications Standards for Archeology.
- The FIGR has previously expressed interest in one of its members in being retained as an archeological site monitor for the proposed project. The specific

type of competitive contractual procurement for an archeological site monitor for this project has not been established at this time. However, any member of the public, including any member of the FIGR, who meets the Secretary of Interior's Archeology and Historic Preservation Standards and Guidelines, Professional Qualifications Standards for Archeology, could compete for the contract to be retained as the archeological site monitor for this project.

• The FIGR requested a copy of the archeological site monitor's post-project final monitoring report. Archeological reports can include confidential information, such as the locations of archeological sites, which are not appropriate for release to the general public. The FAA recognizes that if an archeological site is found during this project, it may be associated with ancestors of members of the FIGR. However, appropriate considerations of confidentiality of sensitive cultural resources information requires that distribution of the post-project monitoring report be considered on a case-by-case basis. Also the California Health and Safety Code Section 7050.5, requires that the County Coroner be contacted immediately if human remains or associated funerary artifacts are discovered during project construction. If human remains were determined to be Native American, the County Coroner would notify the California Native American Heritage Commission, who would notify and appoint a Most Likely Descendent. The Most Likely Descendent would work with a qualified archeologist to decide the proper treatment of human remains and any associated funerary objects.

The FAA has concluded that the Gnoss Field Runway Extension project would have no effect on historic properties on or eligible for the National Register of Historic Places. A copy of our letter to the California State Historic Preservation Officer regarding this determination (Enclosure 1) is included for your information.

Please contact me at telephone 650-876-2778 ext 612 if you have questions regarding this letter. If upon review of this letter you desire further government-to-government consultations regarding this project, please contact me within 30 days of receipt of this letter and I will arrange a mutually agreeable schedule for you to hold consultations with the appropriate FAA management official.

Sincerely,

original signed by

Douglas R. Pomeroy Environmental Protection Specialist

Enclosure 1. FAA letter to the California State Historic Preservation Office dated June 23, 2011.



Western-Pacific Region Airports Division San Francisco Airports District Office 831 Mitten Road, Room 210 Burlingame, CA 94010

June 23, 2011

Mr. Milford Wayne Donaldson State Historic Preservation Officer California Office of Historic Preservation 1725 23rd Street, Suite 100 Sacramento, CA 95816

Subject: Determination of No Effect on Historic Properties, Gnoss Field Airport Runway Extension Project, Marin County, California

Dear Mr. Donaldson:

The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) is preparing an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) and the County of Marin is preparing an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the proposed Runway Extension Project at Gnoss Field Airport, Marin County, California. The proposed project involves extending the airport's existing runway by 1,100 feet to a total of 4,400 feet with corresponding extensions of the adjacent taxiway and the perimeter levee surrounding the airport.

Although the EIS preparation is ongoing, the FAA now has sufficient information to evaluate the effect of the proposed undertaking (project) on historic properties in accordance Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act, and its implementing regulations at Title 36 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 800, *Protection of Historic Properties*. In accordance with 36 CFR 800.16 (i), and as described and documented in this letter and enclosures, the FAA has concluded that the proposed project will have no effect on the characteristics of any historic property that qualifies that property for inclusion in, or eligibility for, the National Register of Historic Places.

Area of Potential Effect and Determination of No Effect

In our letter of June 28, 2010 the FAA established the Direct and Indirect Areas of Potential Effect (APE) for the proposed project. By letter of July 20, 2010 your office concurred with the FAA's determination of the Direct and Indirect Areas of Potential Effect (APE) for the proposed project.

The Cultural Resources Report (CR Report), *Cultural Resources Existing Conditions and Survey Methodology Report and Archaeological Survey Report, revised October 25, 2010,* (Enclosure 1), Figure 1, shows the Direct APE where physical disturbance and construction of the runway extension would occur, as well as the Indirect APE where indirect affects of the proposed project could potentially occur. The report found no historic properties on or eligible for the NRHP within the Direct APE. Therefore, the

FAA concludes that there would be no direct effect on historic properties on or eligible for the NRHP as a result of direct impacts of the proposed project.

The FAA also concludes that no indirect effects to historic properties would occur as a result of the proposed project. The CR Report did identify several historic properties on or eligible for the NRHP in the Indirect APE. These properties are located west of U.S. Highway 101 approximately 2000 feet northwest of the Direct APE and are part of the Burdell Ranch Complex within Olompali State Park. Construction of the runway extension will occur on the east side of U.S. Highway 101 and would not result in any physical impacts on the Burdell Ranch Complex. Construction of the runway extension would not substantially alter the visual setting of the airport or alter the characteristics or visual setting of the historic properties in the Burdell Ranch Complex in a manner that would affect their inclusion or eligibility for the NRHP.

As shown on the Community Noise Equivalent Level (CNEL) noise contour map (Enclosure 2), the historic properties within the Burdell Ranch Complex are located outside of the 65 decibel CNEL noise contour associated with the airport. FAA regulations at Title 14 CFR Part 150 *Airport Noise Compatibility Planning* identify noise levels below 65 decibels CNEL as generally compatible with all types of land uses. Aircraft noise levels associated with the Gnoss Field Airport would remain compatible with the existing uses of Olompali State Park and the Burdell Ranch Complex and not alter the existing characteristics of the Burdell Ranch Complex that have resulted in portions of the complex being on or eligible for inclusion in the NRHP.

Inadvertent Discoveries

Although no historic properties are known to occur in the Direct APE, the CR Report identified that archeological or other historic sites could potentially be discovered during construction of the proposed runway extension. As part of the environmental requirements for this project, the FAA would require Marin County have an archeological site monitor present during the initial site excavation of the proposed runway extension. Marin County would be required to stop work and evaluate any archeological or other historic site discovered during the excavation or subsequent construction of the proposed project.

In addition, Marin County is subject to the California Environmental Quality Act and California Health and Safety Code Section 7050.5, which require that the County Coroner be contacted immediately if human remains or associated funerary artifacts are discovered during project construction. If human remains were determined to be Native American, the County Coroner would notify the California Native American Heritage Commission, who would notify and appoint a Most Likely Descendent. The Most Likely Descendent would work with a qualified archeologist to decide the proper treatment of human remains and any associated funerary objects.

Tribal Coordination

The CR Report (Enclosure 1, Appendix B pages 8 - 9) and Enclosures (3) and (4) documents coordination with tribal organizations. The FAA has communicated with all

the Native American individuals and organizations identified by the California Native American Heritage Commission as potentially having knowledge of cultural resources in the area.

After updating the CR Report in October 2010, the FAA provided the revised report to all the Native American individuals and organizations identified by the California Native American Heritage Commission as potentially having knowledge of cultural resources in the area. The FAA transmitted the revised CR Report by letter of January 31, 2011, and requested that the tribal organizations provide any comments or concerns regarding the report by March 7, 2011. To date, the Federated Indians of Graton Rancheria (FIGR), a federally-recognized tribe, have been the only tribal or Native American organization to indicate an interest in the proposed project.

The FIGR provided comments on the CR Report in its letter of February 15, 2011 (Enclosure 3). The FIGR concurred with the CR report's conclusion that no known archeological sites have been identified in the APE. The FIGR recommended that an archeological monitor be on-site during excavation of the project site and identified its interest in receiving copies of reports prepared by the archeological monitor. The FAA explained in it letter of June 23, 2011 (Enclosure 4) that an archeological monitor would be required for the project and how the FIGR's requests for information could be accommodated.

Please advise me within 30 days of receipt of this letter if you have any questions regarding this letter. I can be reached at telephone 650-876-2778, extension 612, or e-mail douglas.pomeroy@faa.gov.

Sincerely,

original signed by

Douglas R. Pomeroy Environmental Protection Specialist

Enclosure 1: October 25, 2010 Cultural Resources Report

Enclosure 2: Community Noise Level Contour Map for Proposed Project

Enclosure 3: FIGR letter of February 15, 2011 to FAA

Enclosure 4: FAA letter of June 23, 2011 to FIGR



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December 11, 2008

Reno Franklin Tribal Historic Preservation Officer Stewart's Point Rancheria 3535 Industrial Drive, Ste. B2 Santa Rosa, CA 95403

Marin County Airport – Gnoss Field, Novato, CA Environmental Impact Statement and Environmental Impact Report

Dear Mr. Franklin:

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Betty Molina Ya-Ka-Ama 6215 Eastside Road Forestville, CA 95436

Marin County Airport – Gnoss Field, Novato, CA Environmental Impact Statement and Environmental Impact Report

Dear Ms. Molina:

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Patricia Hermosillo Chairperson Cloverdale Rancheria of Pomo Indians 555 S. Cloverdale Blvd., Ste. A Cloverdale, CA 95425

Marin County Airport – Gnoss Field, Novato, CA Environmental Impact Statement and Environmental Impact Report

Dear Ms. Hermosillo:

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Mario Hermosillo Jr.
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Cloverdale Rancheria of Pomo Indians
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Marin County Airport – Gnoss Field, Novato, CA Environmental Impact Statement and Environmental Impact Report

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Dawn Getchell Coast Miwok Pomo PO Box 53 Jenner, CA 95450

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December 11, 2008

Harvey Hopkins Chairperson Dry Creek Rancheria of Pomo Indians PO Box 607 Geyserville, CA 95441

Marin County Airport – Gnoss Field, Novato, CA Environmental Impact Statement and Environmental Impact Report

Dear Mr. Hopkins:

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December 11, 2008

Margie Mejia Chairperson Lytton Rancheria Band of Pomo Indians 1300 N. Dutton, Ste. A Santa Rosa, CA 95401

Marin County Airport – Gnoss Field, Novato, CA Environmental Impact Statement and Environmental Impact Report

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December 11, 2008

Lisa Miller Tribal Administrator Lytton Rancheria Band of Pomo Indians 1300 N. Dutton, Ste. A Santa Rosa, CA 95401

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December 11, 2008

Cathy Lopez Vice-Chairperson Lytton Rancheria Band of Pomo Indians 1300 N. Dutton, Ste. A Santa Rosa, CA 95401

Marin County Airport - Gnoss Field, Novato, CA **Environmental Impact Statement and Environmental Impact Report**

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December 11, 2008

Scott Gabaldon Chairperson Mishewal-Wappo Tribe of Alexander Valley PO Box 1794, Middleton, CA 95461

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Earl Couey Cultural Resources Manager Mishewal-Wappo Tribe of Alexander Valley PO Box 5676, Santa Rosa, CA 95402

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Eric Wilder Chairperson Stewart's Point Rancheria 3535 Industrial Drive, Ste. B2 Santa Rosa, CA 95403

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August 26, 2009

Mr. Nick Tipon Chairman, Sacred Sites Protection Committee Federated Indians of Graton Rancheria 6400 Redwood Drive, Suite 300 Rohnert Park, CA 94928

Subject: Upcoming Cultural Resources Site Visit for the Environmental Impact Statement for the Proposed Runway Extension at Marin County Airport, Gnoss Field, Novato, California

Dear Mr. Tipon:

This letter provides further information related to the telephone message I left for you on August 24, 2009.

The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) is continuing to work with the County of Marin to develop the EIS for the proposed runway extension at Marin County Airport, Gnoss Field, near Novato, California. At the December 10, 2008 tribal/FAA government-to-government meeting, you indicated that your tribe may be interested in participating in site visits. The Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) consultant team will have cultural resources specialists at the airport for a visual surface survey for potential historic sites during September 2009. The survey will consist of cultural resources specialists walking portions of the project area to look for surface evidence of potential historic sites. The survey will not include excavations. The exact date of the visit is still being arranged, but is anticipated to occur the week of September 7, 2009 or September 14, 2009.

If you are interested in having a tribal representative participate on any of these site visits, please contact me as soon as possible so I can make logistical arrangements for your tribe's participation. If I do not hear from you by 12:00 PM on September 4, 2009, I will assume your tribe is not available to participate in these site visits. Thank you for your interest in this project. I can be reached at (650) 876-2778 extension 612, by FAX at (650) 876-2733, or at e-mail douglas.pomeroy@faa.gov.

Sincerely,

original signed by

Douglas R. Pomeroy Environmental Protection Specialist

Conversation Log

Date: September 4, 2009		a.m. / p.m.	Phone / In Person (Circle one)		
Project Name: Gnoss Field			_ Job #: <u>7129</u>		
With: Nick Tipon		of Federated Indians of Graton Rancheria			
Re: Gnoss Field Survey and Nati	ve Plants List				
Details: <u>Left message informing</u>	him that the Field Sur	rvey would take place on S	September 10, 2009. Also		
inquired if he had a copy of the N	Native Plants List that	he could forward to us.			
Tremaine & Associates, Inc.		Employee Name Melissa Johnson			
	Conve	ersation Log			
Date: September 8, 2009	Time:	a.m. / p.m.	Phone / In Person (Circle one)		
Project Name: Gnoss Field			_ Job #: <u>7129</u>		
With: Nick Tipon		of Federated Indians of Graton Rancheria			
Re: Gnoss Field Survey and Nati	ve Plants List				
Details: Nick Tipon returned my	call wanting to know	what time the survey was	planned for on the 10 th and to e-		
mail him a reminder to forward r	ne the plant species li	st. He was unsure whether	r he could attend the field		
survey.					
Tremaine & Associates, Inc.		Employee Name <u>Meliss</u>	sa Johnson		

FEDERATED INDIANS OF GRATON RANCHERIA TREATMENT PLAN



NOT APPROVED

The Federated Indians of Graton Rancheria provided this December 18, 2008 Draft Treatment Plan to the FAA during initial government-to-government consultations regarding the Gnoss Field Airport Runway Extension Project. The Draft Plan is included here for completeness. The FAA's letters of June 23, 2011 to the Federated Indians of Graton Rancheria and June 23, 2011 to the California State Historic Preservation Officer included in this appendix describe the FAA's determination that the Gnoss Field Airport Runway Extension Project would have no effect on historic properties. The FAA's consultation with the California State Historic Preservation Officer also identified that it would be appropriate for an archeologist to monitor the excavation of the runway extension site because of the potential for unknown surface historic properties to be found.

The California Health and Safety Code Section 7050.5 requires that the County Coroner be contacted immediately if human remains or associated funerary artifacts are discovered during project construction. If human remains were determined to be Native American, the County Coroner would notify the California Native American Heritage Commission, who would notify and appoint a Most Likely Descendent. The Most Likely Descendent would work with a qualified archeologist to determine the proper treatment of human remains and any associated funerary objects. As the writing of this document, no human remains or associated funerary objects are known to exist within the Direct Area of Potential Affect where ground disturbance associated with this project would occur, and therefore no "Most Likely Descendent" has been designated.



Treatment Plan

The Federated Indians of Graton Rancheria

And

Marin County, and the Federal Aviation Administration

FIGR Project Number 2008-

Treatment Plan

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Contact Information

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Cultural Resources Treatment Plan

AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE Federated Indians of Graton Rancheria and

(name of agency)

FIGR Project Number 2008-

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The PARTIES to this Agreement	are the Federated Indians of Graton
Rancheria, a sovereign governme	nt and federally recognized Indian Tribe
("Tribe") and the	(lead agency, land owner or
developer) hereafter referred to as	s the "contractor".

II. PROJECT

This Agreement concerns a specific project site within the traditional territory of FIGR and located at Gnoss Field/Marin County Airport, Novato, California. The project is assigned FIGR Project Number 2008-xxxx

III. PURPOSE

The purpose of this Agreement is to formalize protocol and procedures for the protection and treatment of, including but not limited to, Native American human remains, funerary objects, cultural and religious landscapes, ceremonial items, and cultural items, in the event that any are discovered in conjunction with the Project's development and use, including archaeological studies, excavation, geotechnical investigations, grading, and all ground-disturbing activity. This Agreement also formalizes procedures for Tribal monitoring during archaeological studies, grading, and ground disturbing activities for the Project. See Attachment One. This Agreement is effective as of the date provided for in Section XVI.

IV. CULTURAL AFFILIATION

The PARTIES agree that the Project area consists of land which has been traced to and traditionally occupied by the Southern Pomo and Coast Miwok people of the Tribe. The Tribe has designated its Sacred Sites Protection Committee to act on the Tribe's behalf with respect to the provisions of this Agreement. Any human remains which are found in conjunction with the development of this Project shall be treated in accordance with Section VII of the Agreement. Any other cultural resources shall be treated in accordance with Section VIII of this Agreement.

V. COORDINATION WITH COUNTY CORONER

The site archaeologist and contractor shall immediately contact the Coroner in the event that any human remains are discovered at the project site. The Coroner shall ensure that notification is provided to the Native American Heritage Commission ("NAHC") as required by California Health & Safety Code Section 7050.5 and Public Resources Code Section 5097.98(a).

VI. MOST LIKELY DESCENDANT (MLD)

In the event that Native American human remains are found at the project site, the PARTIES understand that the determination of Most Likely Descendant ("MLD") under California Public Resources Code Section 5097.98 will be made by the NAHC upon notification to the NAHC of the discovery of said remains at the Project site. Given the location of the site and the history and prehistory of the area, the NAHC has made a determination in previous incidents of the discovery that the human remains are ancestors of the Federated Indians of Graton Rancheria, who have been designated as the MLD.

VII. TREATMENT OF NATIVE AMERICAN HUMAN REMAINS

In the event that Native American human remains are found on the property at any time the following provisions shall apply.

The Coroner shall immediately be notified, ground disturbing activities within 50 feet shall cease and the Tribe shall be allowed, pursuant to California Public Resources Code Section 5097.98(a), to: (1) inspect the site of the

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discovery; and, (2) make determinations as to how the human remains and grave goods should be treated and re-interred with appropriate dignity.

The Tribe shall complete its inspection and make its written MLD recommendation within forty-eight (48) hours of being granted access to the site. The PARTIES agree to discuss in good faith what constitutes "appropriate dignity", as that term is used in the applicable statues and in the Tribe's customs and traditions. The Tribe shall have the final determination as to the disposition and treatment of human remains and grave goods.

The PARTIES acknowledge that-FIGR's highest priority is to avoid disturbing human remains through consultation and appropriate avoidance and mitigation measures. It is understood by the PARTIES that avoidance of the human remains and grave goods may require changes to the Project plans and activities.

When there is an inadvertent discovery of human remains, the PARTIES acknowledge the Tribe's desire for the human remains to be left "in situ" and without further and future disturbance. A-good faith effort will be made by the contractor to accommodate FIGR's cultural practices.

No pictures may be taken of the remains, except by written authorization from the Coroner and the Tribe. The archaeologist may draw the remains for cataloging purposes.

In the case of inadvertent discoveries of human remains the PARTIES agree the reburial of the remains and their associated funerary objects will be in an area as close as possible to that location or if soil has been moved, to the original location. The human remains should not be subject to any future disturbances and the PARTIES will take appropriate measures to record this information with the appropriate authorities and keep it confidential. Reburial of human remains shall be accomplished in compliance with the California Public Resources Code Section 5097.98(a) and (b). The exact reburial location will be determined after consultation with the Tribe and the location designated will be recorded in a manner to protect it and to notify future users on its location, in accordance with Section VIII. The contractor shall be responsible for reburial costs up to a maximum of \$500.00 per discovery as outlined in the burial agreement labeled "Attachment Two".

The term "human remains" encompasses more than human bones. The Tribe's traditions call for the burial of associated cultural resources (funerary objects) with the deceased, the ceremonial burning of Native American human remains, funerary objects, grave goods and animals. Ashes and other remnants of these burning ceremonies, as well as, funerary objects associated

with or buried with the Native American remains are to be treated in the same manner as bones or bone fragments that remain intact.

The Tribe requests all human remains and associated funerary objects remain at the site until arrangements are made for a location to rebury. The contractor shall provide an appropriate, locked and secure location on the site to store the human remains until final reburial plans have been made by the Tribe's MLD. If this is not possible, the MLD shall determine the appropriate storage location, which may include the Tribal representative taking possession of the remains.

VIII. NON-DISCLOSURE OF LOCATION OF REBURIALS

It is understood by the PARTIES that, unless otherwise required by law, the site of any reburial of Native American human remains shall not be disclosed and will not be governed by public disclosure requirements of the California Public Records Act, California Government Code § 6250 et seq. The Coroner shall withhold public disclosure of information related to such reburial pursuant to the specific exemption set forth in California Government Code Section 6254.5(e).

IX. TREATMENT OF CULTURAL RESOURCES

The ceremonial and cultural items left by our ancestors reflect the religious beliefs, rituals, customs, and practices of the Tribe. This location is part of a sacred, religious or cultural landscape where these items may remain today. They where left in this place for a specific reason and purpose.

The contractor agrees to consult with the Tribe on the curation or disposition of all cultural items, including ceremonial items, which may be found at the property. The contractor may waive any and all claims to ownership of Tribal ceremonial and cultural items, including archaeological items which may be found on the site in favor of the Tribe. If the contractor curates the materials in an institution meeting State guidelines, the location must be within FIGR's ancestral territory (as that territory is defined by Congress in the restoration of the Tribe).

If temporary possession of cultural items by an entity or individual other than the Tribe is necessary, said entity or individual shall not possess those items for longer than is reasonably necessary for cataloging. This shall not exceed one calendar year. The Tribe will receive two copies of the archaeological report from the contractor.

It is especially important that non human cultural resources and artifacts be left "in situ" to the greatest degree possible. If the Tribal monitor determines the resources are in danger of being damaged or stolen if left "in situ", the Tribe, through the MLD will work with the agency/owner to determine an appropriate location to rebury for their preservation. If the articles are to be studied, their treatment and disposition must be defined in an addendum to the Treatment Plan.

Native plants at the property may have been used to make ceremonial items, such as baskets, and for other religious rituals or healing. Many continue to thrive to this day despite other use. The contractor and the Tribe agree to develop a plan to protect, preserve and restore these plants to the greatest extent possible for the use of current and future Native Americans. The parties agree to discuss gathering and harvesting of the plant materials for Tribal use in the future.

The contractor also agrees that the treatment procedures for any discovery, planned or inadvertent, and the disposition of any cultural resources shall be determined by the Tribe. The Tribe shall make these treatment procedures available to the contractor and its contractors as guidance in complying with the provisions of this Agreement prior to the implementation of any project activities. The contractor its agents agree to consult with and immediately advise the Tribe of any discoveries of cultural resources associated with this Project.

X. UNRECORDED SIGNIFICANT SITES IMPACTED BY PROJECT

The PARTIES agree additional significant sites or sites not identified in the original environmental review process will be subjected to further archaeological and cultural significance evaluation by the contractor and the Tribe. Further evaluation shall include a determination of additional mitigation measures to treat sites in a culturally appropriate manner consistent with Tribal policies, this Treatment Plan and CEQA requirements for mitigation of impacts to cultural resources.

XI. TRIBAL MONITORS

The description of responsibilities and authority for Tribal monitors operations at the site is attached. It specifies the authority and limitations, responsibilities and compensation of the Tribal monitors. It is considered a separate contract from the Treatment Plan, further explaining the monitor's duties, responsibilities and pay. (See Attachment One)

XII. ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE

Nothing in this Agreement shall excuse the "contractor" from their obligations under any applicable state of federal laws or regulations, including but not limited to the California Environmental Quality Act CEQA; California Public Resources Code § 21000 et seq., the California Civil Code § 815.3; the California Government Code § 65040.2, 65092, 65351, 65352, 65560, 65352.3, 65352.4, 65562.5, the National Historic Preservation Act ("NHPA") 16 United States Code ("U.S.C.") § 470 et seq.; California Public Resources Code 5097.98, 5097.98©, and 5097.99; California Health and Safety Code Sections 7050.5©; California Government Code Section 6254; the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act, 25 U.S.C. § 3001 et seq.; the California Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act of 2001, California Health and Safety Code § 8010 et seq.; the Native American Free Practice of Religion Act, 16 U.S.C. § 1996, et seq.; and the First Amendment to the United States Constitution. Nothing in this Agreement is intended to make any of the above-referenced laws applicable where such laws would otherwise be inapplicable.

XIII. SEVERABILITY

Should any part of this Agreement be found by any court or agency of competent jurisdiction to be invalid or unenforceable, the remainder of this Agreement shall not be affected thereby and shall be valid and enforceable to the fullest extent permitted by law.

XIV. LIMITATION ON SCOPE

This Agreement is unique to this Project only and does not set a precedent for other projects.

AUTHORITY TO EXECUTE

Signatures

Each of the persons executing the Agreement expressly warrants that he or she is authorized to do so. This completed document must be dated and signed prior to work commencing.

Council Liaison: Sacred Sites Protection Committee:	
Date:	
Contractor: _	
Date:	
Lead Agency	
Date:	
Agency to be billed for monitoring	
Project Name: Gnoss Field Runway Extension	
FIGR Project Number:	

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Attachment One

FIGR Monitoring Contract

FIGR Project Number 2008-xxxx

TRIBAL MONITORING

1. SPECIFICATIONS

There are many sensitive and sacred cultural resources the PARTIES agree to preserve and protect. Consultation between the parties will occur well before the project is finalized and the "Treatment Plan" will specify the conditions for Native American monitoring at the site. The monitor will be employed by the "contractor" and works as a "contract employee" of the Tribe.

The Tribal Monitor will be present during archaeological testing, conduction of studies and surveys, geological/geotechnical testing, and during mitigation, grading, and all ground-disturbing activities in the project. Given the nature and sensitivity of known archaeological sites and cultural resources that are in the project area, all soil disturbance and excavation will be monitored by a monitor identified by FIGR.

In the event that human remains are found during these activities, Tribal monitors are empowered to stop or relocate excavation activities pending further investigation by the Coroner and the FIGR's as the MLD. The monitors are further empowered to recommend stoppage or relocate excavation activities, for short periods of time, to conduct further controlled excavation for evaluation of the significance of discovered cultural items. Surface or subsurface artifacts of significance are mapped during the survey.

If Native American human remains are found, coordination of the treatment of Native American remains and funerary objects and any cultural, archaeological and ceremonial items will be conducted in accordance with Sections V through X of this Agreement.

All modifications to the project's activities requiring soil disturbance shall be discussed with the monitor prior to the commencement of the work with the agency/owner to clarify mitigation measures and monitoring activities. The Sacred Sites Protection Committee representative(s) and/or the Tribe's designated representative shall be invited to participate in this discussion. If necessary, a written amendment to the treatment plan will be agreed to for the project.

If necessary, a qualified archaeologist may be required to be present during grading activities to identify and /or ascertain the significance of any subsurface cultural resources or to aid in the avoidance of sensitive areas.

2. MONITORED PROJECTS

The PARTIES agree the project site has significant known and unknown cultural resources and is possibly a "cultural landscape" of importance to the Tribe. All soil disturbances within the scope of work and the "Area of Potential effect" (APE) will therefore be monitored by a FIGR monitor to protect and preserve these resources, unless otherwise specified in an attached document. A notice of the work schedule for the Native American monitor shall be provided by the contractor or its agents to the monitor as early as possible or a minimum of ten (10) working days prior to the specified work commencing.

3. COMPENSATION

The agency/owner shall hire a Native American monitor identified by the Tribe for the soil disturbing or excavation activities of the project and shall be responsible for coordinating the activities of the project to provide protection of cultural resources. The monitor identified by FIGR will work as a "contract employee" of the Tribe.

The Tribe recognizes that dangerous working conditions can exist at a work site, particularly during grading and excavation operations. The monitors will review safety procedures with the site supervisor and attend all safety meetings.

The agency/owner shall compensate the Native American monitors at a rate no less than \$55.00 per hour and mileage at a rate of \$0.585 per mile or the current rate established by the Federal government. A minimum half-day charge (four hours) will be charged to the owner/developer for unannounced work stoppages for monitors. The hourly rate will not be applicable to travel time to and from the project site. If weekend work is required the rate is 150% of the base rate. If work is required between the hours of 7:00 PM to 7:00AM or on a Federal or State holiday, the hourly rate is 200% of the base rate. These rates are commensurate with industry standards for pay during non standard times.

For the Gnoss Field Runway Expansion Project, one Native American Monitor will accompany Tremaine's archaeologist during the pedestrian survey of the Direct APE. The estimated duration of survey is one 8-hour day. The date of the survey is to be determined.

The parties agree that the Tribe will invoice the signatory agency. The monitors will send copies of their daily logs to the Tribal Office with their invoice and copies of these documents will be forwarded to the lead agency /

contractor / developer. The contractor also agrees to remit payment in full directly to the Tribal Office within thirty (30) days of receipt of the Tribe's invoice or be charged a late fee of 5% of the total invoice for each monitor.

The Tribal Office will mail a paycheck to the monitors on a monthly basis within 14 days of receiving their invoice and daily logs.

4. INSURANCE

The Tribal Office will provide, on request, the lead agency/contractor/developer with certificates of insurance provided for FIGR's monitors by the Tribe. The insurance will includes workman's comp, liability, use of private vehicle and errors and omissions. Copies of the type and limits of the coverage will be provided to the monitors and developer on request.

Council Liaison: Sacred Sites Protection Commi	ttee Dat	e
Signature for financially responsible agency		
Address		
City, State, Zip		
Phone	FAX	
FIGR Tribal Administrator	Date	
Project Title: Gnoss Field Runway Extension		
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Attachment Two

Burial Agreement

Reburial Contract

The Treatment Plan specifies the procedures for the dignified handling of Native American human remains and associated funerary objects, if they are unearthed during construction. The following procedures and agreements are meant to guide and speed the reburial of our ancestors.

1.	The reburial will take place in the following location. (The lead agency is responsible for securing permission from the land owner after consultation with FIGR). Guidelines from the Treatment Plan will be used to determine the location.			
2.	The reburial is a private Tribal function, not open to the public.			
3.	The financially responsible agency will have the location GPS coordinates recorded and provide the information to the Tribe and the Northwest Information Center.			
4.	The financially responsible agency will pay the Tribe to dig the grave at a rate of \$20.00 per hour or be responsible to have the grave dug according to FIGR specifications.			
5.	The financially responsible agency will pay Tribal members and elders to present the reinterment ceremony. They will be reimbursed for mileage from the Tribal Office, a meal and a \$50.00 reburial fee per participate up to 5 Tribal members. The amount shall not exceed \$500.00			
6.	All Parties will keep the location of the reburial confidential, according to public laws.			
The fir	nancially responsible agency initials:			

Attachment Three

FIGR Monitoring Log

FIGR Tribal Monitor Daily Record Form

Monitor Name		Date		
Arrival	Departure		Location and Mileage	
Known cultural, sacred or gatherin sites in close proximity	g			
FIGR Project Number		Site Archaeologist and firm name		
Reason for Monitoring				
δ Evaluation/Testing	δ Presence/A	bsence	δ Soil l	Excavation/Disturbance
Description and scope of work (att	ach map if possible)			
Soil description/type				
Jan and April 1, pr				
Type of excavation		Size of excavat		
δ Unit δ STP δ Trench	δ Pit δ Augur	Depth	Width	Length
Description of cultural resources ar	nd disposition			
Recommendations and agreements	suggested			
Monitor Signature		Archaeologist	or Site Supervisor	· Signature

APPENDIX C: FIGR NATIVE PLANTS OF CONCERN

From: Melissa Johnson <melissajohnson@tremaine.us>

Subject: Gnoss Field Survey/Plant List
Date: September 8, 2009 4:33:14 PM PDT
To: Nick Tipon <ntipon@comcast.net>

Dear Mr. Tipon,

I spoke with our Field Director and he was planning on being out in the field no later than 10 AM on Thursday (10th). Would this work for you?

Also, if you could please send the plant species list, I would greatly appreciate it.

Thank you for your help.

Melissa Johnson Projects Coordinator Tremaine & Associates, Inc. 859 Stillwater Road, Suite 1 West Sacramento, CA 95605 916-376-0656 ex. 106 melissajohnson@tremaine.us From: "Nick Tipon" <ntipon@comcast.net>
Subject: FIGR List of Culturally significant plants

Date: September 8, 2009 8:01:43 PM PDT

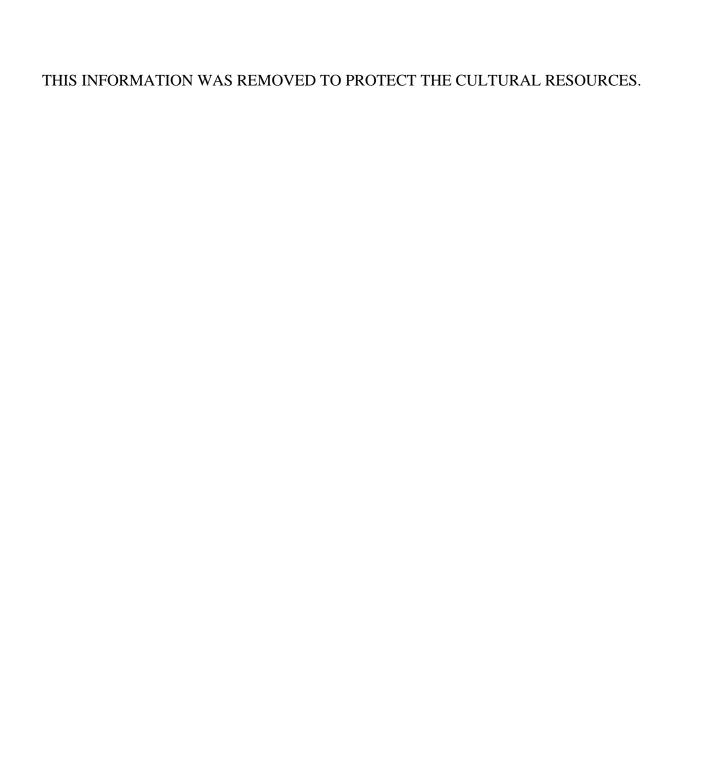
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Appendix D. Documentation of Consultation under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act



Administration

Western-Pacific Region Airports Division San Francisco Airports District Office 831 Mitten Road, Room 210 Burlingame, CA 94010

June 28, 2010

Mr. Milford Wayne Donaldson, FAIA State Historic Preservation Officer California Department of Parks and Recreation Office of Historic Preservation P. O. Box 942896 Sacramento, California 94296-0001

Subject: Proposed Area of Potential Effect for Gnoss Field Airport Runway Extension Project, Marin County, California

Dear Mr. Donaldson:

The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) requests your concurrence in accordance with the National Historic Preservation Act, Section 106 regulations (36 CFR 800) regarding the proposed Area of Potential Effect (APE) on historic properties for a proposed 1,100-foot runway extension project at Gnoss Field Airport. Gnoss Field Airport is located in unincorporated Marin County adjacent to the City of Novato, California, as shown on Enclosure 1.

Marin County has proposed extension of a runway, corresponding taxiway extension, associated levee construction, and reprogramming of the Global Positioning System Instrument Approach for the extended runway. The FAA is preparing a National Environmental Policy Act Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the project and Marin County is preparing a California Environmental Quality Act Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the project. The FAA and Marin County are coordinating on preparation of the EIS and EIR, and the documents will be jointly circulated for public comment. The July 11, 2008 Notice of Intent (NOI) to Prepare an EIS (Enclosure 2) describe the proposed project in more detail.

The proposed Direct APE for the project is shown on Enclosure 3. The proposed Direct APE includes all ground disturbing activities associated with a 1,100-foot northward runway extension (described as Alternative B in Enclosure 2), or a partially northward and partially southward runway extension totaling 1,100 feet (Alternative D in Enclosure 2).

The FAA and Marin County also considered a 1,100-foot southward runway extension (Alternative C in Enclosure 2). Alternative C appears to have substantially higher environmental impacts than other alternatives, and the FAA does not anticipate the EIS will evaluate Alternative C in detail. If Alternative C is evaluated in detail in the EIS, the FAA will contact your office to amend the Direct APE to include Alternative C.

The FAA is also proposing an Indirect APE for this project for evaluation of potential Noise Impacts and Visual/Aesthetic Impacts to historic properties in areas where no ground disturbing activities would occur. The proposed Indirect APE is shown Enclosure 3.

The proposed APE for this project incorporates recommendations from tribal representatives. The FAA contacted several tribes prior to the development of the Direct and Indirect APE. The Federated Indians of Graton Rancheria (FIGR) provided suggestions for the proposed Direct and Indirect APEs during telephone calls and an FAA meeting with tribal representatives. The Indirect APE was modified to incorporate several areas which the FIGR recommended be evaluated.

The FAA also contacted the tribal representatives of the Stewart's Point Rancheria, Mishewal-Wappo Tribe of Alexander Valley, Lytton Rancheria Band of Pomo Indians, Dry Creek Rancheria of Pomo Indians, Coast Miwok Pomo, Cloverdale Rancheria of Pomo Indians, and the Ya-Ka-Ama. The FAA did not receive comments regarding the APE from representatives of these tribes.

I request your office provide a letter concurring with the Direct and Indirect APE for this project within 30 days of receipt of this letter. If you have any further questions or comments regarding this proposed project, please contact me 650-876-2778 ext 612, or e-mail douglas.pomeroy@faa.gov.

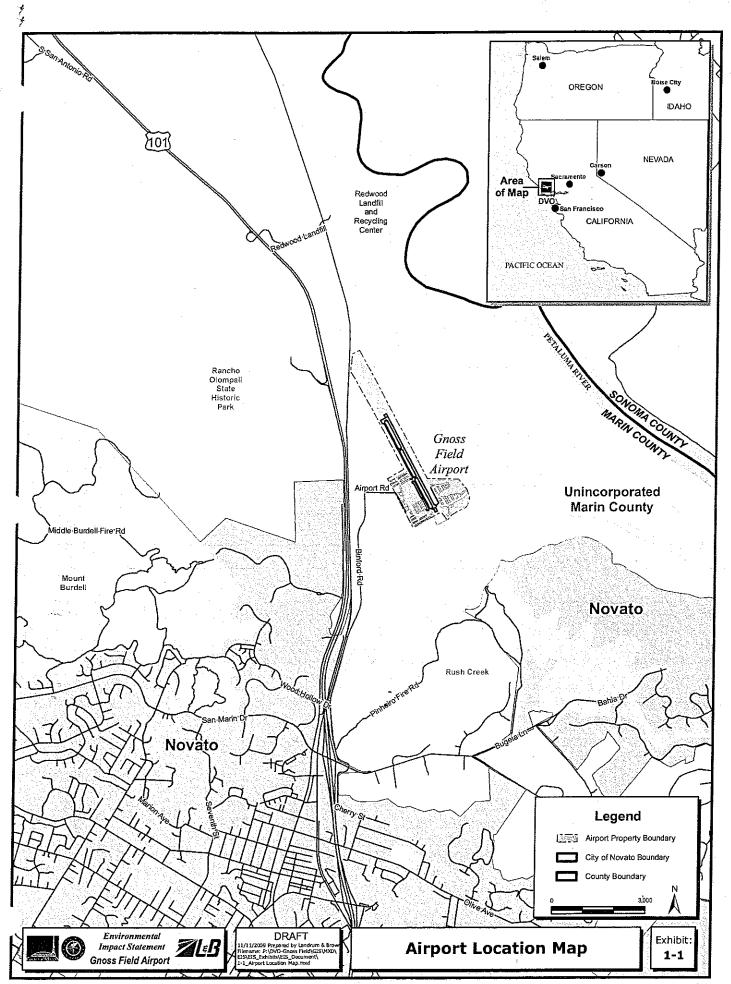
Sincerely,

original signed by

Douglas R. Pomeroy Environmental Protection Specialist

Enclosure

Cc: County of Marin (Attn: Eric Steger – Department of Public Works)



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collection of information on the respondents, including through the use of automated techniques or other forms of information technology.

All responses to this notice will be summarized aid included in the request for CMB approval. All comments will also become a matter of public record.

Issued in Washington, DC.

Todd M. Haman,

Director, Office of Aviation Analysis.

[FR Doc. E8-15783 Filed 10-08; 8:45 am]

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration (FAA)

Notice of Approval of Finding of No Significant impact (FONSI) on a Short Form Environmental Assessment (EA) Chicago/Rockford International Airport, Rockford, IL

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT. ACTION: Notice of Approval of Documents.

SUMMARY: The Rederal Aviation Administration (FAA) is issuing this notice to advise the public of the approval of Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) on an Environmental Assessment for proposed Federal actions at Chicago/Rockford International Airport, Rockford, Illinois. The FONSI specifies that the proposed federal actions and local development projects are consistent with existing enveronmental policies and objectives as set form the National Environmental Policy Act of 1999 and will not significantly affect the quality of the environment.

A description of the proposed Federal actions is: (a) To ssue an environmental finding to allow approval of the Airport Layout Plan (ALP) for the development items listed below.

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The items in the local airport developm int project are to: Acquire approximately 18 acres of vacant land, in fee shaple-title, in the Runway 25 Approach and Runway Protection Zone.

Copies of the environmental decision and the Short Form A are available for public information review during regular business hoers at the following locations: locations:

- 1. Chicago/Rockford International Airport, 60 Airport Drive, Rockford, IL 61109.
- 2. Division Aeronautics—Illinois Department of Transportation, One Langhorne Band Drive, Capital Airport, Springfield, IL 62707.

3. Federal Aviation Administration, Chicago Airports Fistrict Office, 2300 East Devon Avenue, Room 320, Des Plaines, Illings 60018.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Amy B. Hanson, Environmental Protection Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Administration, District Office, Room 320 2300 East Devon Avenue, Des Planes, Illinois 60018. Ms. Hanson an be contacted at (847) 294-7354 bice), (847) 294-7046 (facsimile) or vermail at amy.hanson@ja.gov.

Issued in Des Plaines, Illinois, on June 19,

lames G. Keefer.

Manager, Chicago Arports District Office, FAA, Great Lake Region [FR Doc. E8-25-11ed 7-10-08; 8:45 am]

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement and Hold Scoping Meeting; Gnoss Field, Novato, Marin County, CA

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration, DOT.

ACTION: Notice of intent and notice of scoping meeting.

SUMMARY: The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) is issuing this notice to advise the public that an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) will be prepared and considered for the proposed extension of a runway, corresponding taxiway extension, associated levee construction and realignment of drainage, and reprogramming of the GPS Instrument Approach for the extended runway. To ensure that all significant issues related to the proposed action are identified, a public scoping meeting will be held. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Barry Franklin, Environmental Protection Specialist, San Francisco Airports District Office, Federal Aviation Administration, Western-Pacific Region, 831 Mitten Road, Room 210, Burlingame, California 94010-

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Lead Agency for the preparation of the EIS is the FAA. The FAA will prepare an EIS to evaluate the following development alternatives and the No Action Alternative as described below. The EIS will determine all environmental impacts, such as and not limited to, noise impacts, impacts on air and water

1303, Telephone: (650) 876-2778,

extension 614.

quality, wetlands, ecological resources, floodplains, historic resources, hazardous wastes, socioeconomics, and economic factors

Alternative See Sponsor's Proposed Project

Runway 13/31 would be extended 1,100 feet to the north from 3,300 linear feet to 4,400 linear feet. This length would maintain the airport's ability to accommodate current and projected airport operations.

To compliment the runway extension, the corresponding taxiway for Runway 13/31 would be extended to the north from 3,300 linear feet to 4,400 linear feet. There would be associated levee construction and major realignment of drainage in order to protect the runway extension against flooding. The GPS instrument approach for Runway 13/31 would be reprogrammed to accommodate the extension of the runway.

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Runway 13/31 would be extended 1,100 feet to the south from 3,300 linear feet to 4,400 linear feet. This length would maintain the airport's ability to accommodate current and projected airport operations.

To compliment the runway extension, the corresponding taxiway for Runway 13/31 would be extended to the south from 3,300 linear feet to 4,400 linear feet. There would be associated levee construction and major realignment of drainage in order to protect the runway extension against flooding. The GPS instrument approach for Runway 13/31 would be reprogrammed to accommodate the extension of the runway.

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Runway 13/31 would be extended to the north and to the south to bring the runway length from 3,300 linear feet to 4,400 linear feet. This length would maintain the airport's ability to accommodate current and projected airport operations.

To compliment the runway extension, the corresponding taxiway for Runway 13/31 would be extended to the north and to the south to bring the total taxiway length from 3,300 linear feet to 4,400 linear feet. There would be associated levee construction and major realignment of drainage in order to protect the runway extension against flooding. The GPS instrument approach for Runway 13/31 would be reprogrammed to accommodate the extension of the runway.

Alternative Alternative

Under this alternative the existing airport would be retained with no improvements. The county would not change the infrastructure of the existing airport and no extensions or associated improvements would be constructed.

In addition to this Notice of Intent, the County of Marin, California is issuing a Notice of Preparation (NOP) of a Draft Environmental Impact Report (EIR), per California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) of 1970 Guidelines. The FAA's EIS and the County's EIR will be produced concurrently.

Public Scoping Meeting: To ensure that the full range of issues related to the proposed project are addressed and that all significant issues are identified, comments and suggestions are invited from all interested parties. A public scoping meeting will be conducted to identify any significant issues associated with the proposed project.

One (1) Public Scoping meeting for the general public will be held on August 14, 2008, at the Marin Humane Society Auditorium, 171 Bel Marin Keys Blvd, Novato, California. The meeting will be held from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Pacific Daylight Time (PDT). The FAA and the County will be accepting comments on the scope of both the EIS and EIR at that scoping meeting.

Written comments concerning the scope of the EIS and EIR may be mailed to the individual named above under the heading FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT above, and must be received no later than 5 p.m. PDT, August 29, 2008.

Questions may be directed to the individual named above under the heading, FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT.

Issued in Hawthorne, California on June 27, 2008.

Mark A. McClardy,

Manager, Airports Division, Western—Pacific Region, AWP-600.

[FR Doc. E8-15209 Filed 7-10-08; 8:45 am]

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

Notice of Intent To Rule on Request to Release Airport Property at the Hondo Municipal Airport, Hondo, TX

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) OT. ACTION: Notice of Request to Release Airport Property.

SUMMARY: The FAA proposes to rule and invite public comment on the release of

land at the Hond Municipal Airport under the provisions of Section 125 of the Wendell W Ford Aviation Investment Reform Act for the 21st Century (AIR 11).

DATES: Comments must be received on or before August 11, 2008.

ADDRESSES: Comments on this application may be mailed or delivered to the FAA at the following address: Mr. Mike Nicely, Manager Federal Aviation Administration, Southwest Region, Airports Division Exas Airports Development Office, ASW-650, Fort Worth, Texas 76 93-0650.

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In addition the copy of any comments suffinited to the FAA must be mailed or delivered to the Mr. Robert Herrera, City danager, at the following address: 1600 A enue M, Hondo, Texas 78861.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Steven Cooks Program M. pager, Federal Aviation Administration, Texas Airports Development Office, ASV-650, 2601 Meacham Boulevard, Fort Worth, Texas 76193-0650, Telephone: (817) 222-5608, e-mail: Steven Cooks@faa.gov, Fax: (817) 222-5939.

The request to release property may be reviewed in person at this same location.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The FAA invites public comment on the request to release property at the Hondo Municipal Airport under the provisions of the AIR 21.

The following is a brief overview of the request:

The City of Hondo requests the release of 30.785 acres of ionaeronautical airport property. The total acreage consists of two fracts. One is a 25.783 acre tract and the second tract is a 5.002 acre tract, for total of 30.785 acres. The land was acquired by Deed without Warranty from the United States on July 16.4848. The property to be released will be sold to allow for future development of the airport.

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Any person may inspect the request in person at the FAA office listed above under FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT.

In addition, any person may, upon request, inspect the application, notice and other documents relevant to the application in person at the Hondo Municipal Airport, telephone number (830) 426–3378.

Issued in Fort Worth, Texas on July 1, 2008.

James Michael Nicely,

Acting Manager, Airport Division.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

Receipt of Noise Compatibility Program and Request for Review for Meadows Field Airport, Bakersfield, CA

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration, DOT.

ACTION: Notice.

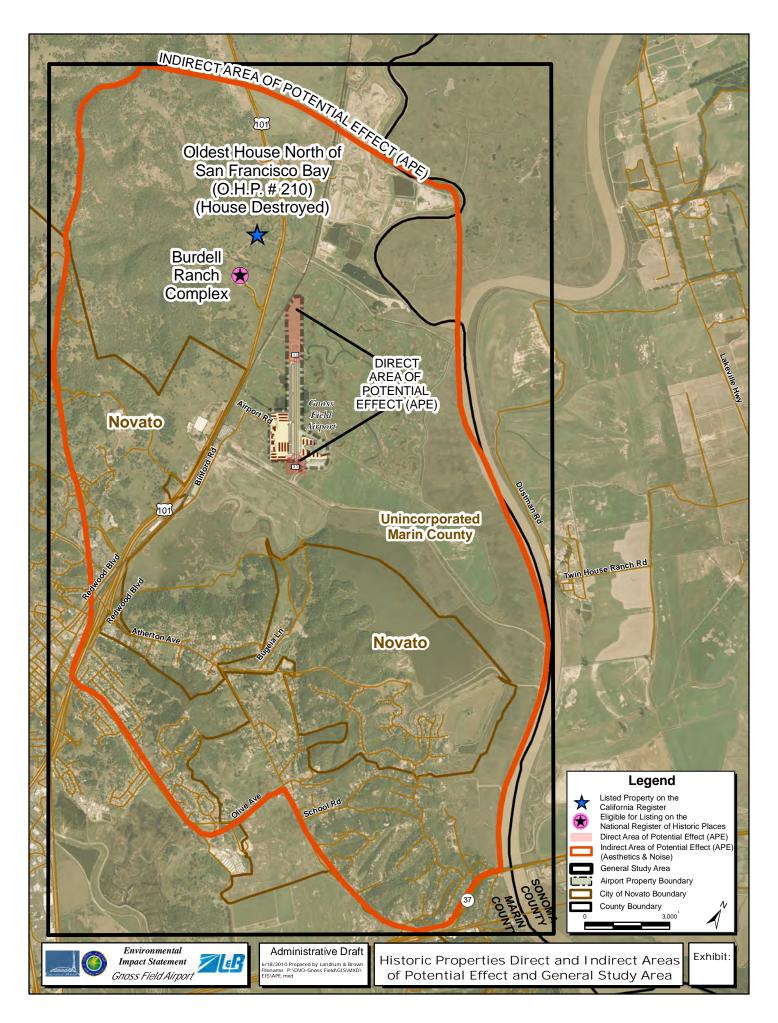
SUMMARY: The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) announces that it is reviewing a proposed noise compatibility program that was submitted for Meadows Field Airport under the provisions of 49 U.S.C. 47501 et seq. (the Aviation Safety and Noise Abatement Act hereinafter referred to as "the Act") and 14 CFR Part 150 by County of Kerd, California. This program was submitted subsequent to a determination by FAA that associated noise exposure maps submitted under 14 CFR Part 150 for Meadows Field Airport were in completence with applicable requirements effective January 16, 2008, 73 FR \$401. The proposed noise compatibility program will be approved or disapproved on or before December 19, 2008.

EFFECTIVE DATE: The effective date of the start of FAA's review of the noise compatibility program is June 23, 2008. The public comment period ends August 21, 2008.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Victor Globa, Federal Aviation Administration, Los Angeles Airports District Office, EO. Box 92007, Los Angeles, California 90009–2007, Telephone: 310–325–3637. Comments on the proposed rose compatibility program should also be submitted to the above office.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This notice announces that the FAA is reviewing a proposed noise compatibility program for Madows Field Airport which will be approved or disapproved on or before December 19, 2008. This notice also announces the availability of this program for public review and comment.

An airport operator who has submitted noise exposure maps that are found by FAA to be in compliance with the requirements of federal Aviation Regulations (FAR) Part 150, promulgated pursuant to the Act, may submit a noise compatibility program for FAA approval which sets forth the measures the operator has taken by proposes to reduce existing noncompatible uses and prevent the introduction of additional noncompatible uses.



Reply In Reference To: FAA100701A

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July 20, 2010

Douglas R. Pomeroy Federal Aviation Administration San Francisco Airports District Office 831 Mitten Road, Room 210 Burlingame, CA 94010

RE: Section 106 Consultation for Proposed Area of Potential Effect for Gnoss Field Airport Runway Extension Project, Marin County, CA

Dear Mr. Pomeroy:

Thank you for initiating consultation with me on behalf of the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) in order to comply with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (16 U.S.C. 470f), as amended, and its implementing regulation at 36 CFR Part 800. You are asking that I concur that the Area of Potential Effects (APE) for this undertaking has been adequately determined.

The FAA and Marin County are preparing environmental documentation for a construction project at Gnoss Field Airport. Project components include the extension of a runway and associated taxiway, and the construction of a levee. As a part of this effort, the FAA has established an APE. The Direct APE includes all ground disturbing activities associated with three proposed alternatives: a 1,100-foot extension of the northern portion of the runway, a 1,100-foot extension including portions of the northern and southern ends of the runway, and a 1,100-foot extension of the southern end of the runway. The FAA has established a 5-mile by 3-mile Indirect APE to account for possible aesthetic and noise effects that may result from this project. The Federated Indians of Graton Rancheria assisted the FAA with the creation of the APE. In addition to your letter, you have provided a map of both Direct and Indirect APE, and a summary of initial scoping efforts.

Having reviewed your submittal, I concur that the Area of Potential Effects (APE) has been properly determined and documented pursuant to 36 CFR Parts 800.4 (a)(1) and 800.16 (d). I would like to be consulted once you have undertaken further identification and evaluation efforts.

Thank you for considering historic resources during project planning. If you have any questions or comments, please contact Tristan Tozer of my staff at (916) 445-7027, or email at ttozer@parks.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

Milford Wayne Donaldson, FAIA State Historic Preservation Officer

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The Office of Historic Preservation has moved to a new location as of July 14, 2010. The new address for the office will be 1725 23rd Street, Suite 100, Sacramento CA 95816. Please update your records accordingly. The entire office will also be receiving new phone numbers, and those numbers will be posted on our website at www.ohp.parks.ca.gov when they are active.



Western-Pacific Region Airports Division San Francisco Airports District Office 831 Mitten Road, Room 210 Burlingame, CA 94010

June 23, 2011

Mr. Milford Wayne Donaldson State Historic Preservation Officer California Office of Historic Preservation 1725 23rd Street, Suite 100 Sacramento, CA 95816

Subject: Determination of No Effect on Historic Properties, Gnoss Field Airport Runway Extension Project, Marin County, California

Dear Mr. Donaldson:

The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) is preparing an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) and the County of Marin is preparing an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the proposed Runway Extension Project at Gnoss Field Airport, Marin County, California. The proposed project involves extending the airport's existing runway by 1,100 feet to a total of 4,400 feet with corresponding extensions of the adjacent taxiway and the perimeter levee surrounding the airport.

Although the EIS preparation is ongoing, the FAA now has sufficient information to evaluate the effect of the proposed undertaking (project) on historic properties in accordance Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act, and its implementing regulations at Title 36 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 800, *Protection of Historic Properties*. In accordance with 36 CFR 800.16 (i), and as described and documented in this letter and enclosures, the FAA has concluded that the proposed project will have no effect on the characteristics of any historic property that qualifies that property for inclusion in, or eligibility for, the National Register of Historic Places.

Area of Potential Effect and Determination of No Effect

In our letter of June 28, 2010 the FAA established the Direct and Indirect Areas of Potential Effect (APE) for the proposed project. By letter of July 20, 2010 your office concurred with the FAA's determination of the Direct and Indirect Areas of Potential Effect (APE) for the proposed project.

The Cultural Resources Report (CR Report), *Cultural Resources Existing Conditions and Survey Methodology Report and Archaeological Survey Report, revised October 25, 2010,* (Enclosure 1), Figure 1, shows the Direct APE where physical disturbance and construction of the runway extension would occur, as well as the Indirect APE where indirect affects of the proposed project could potentially occur. The report found no historic properties on or eligible for the NRHP within the Direct APE. Therefore, the

FAA concludes that there would be no direct effect on historic properties on or eligible for the NRHP as a result of direct impacts of the proposed project.

The FAA also concludes that no indirect effects to historic properties would occur as a result of the proposed project. The CR Report did identify several historic properties on or eligible for the NRHP in the Indirect APE. These properties are located west of U.S. Highway 101 approximately 2000 feet northwest of the Direct APE and are part of the Burdell Ranch Complex within Olompali State Park. Construction of the runway extension will occur on the east side of U.S. Highway 101 and would not result in any physical impacts on the Burdell Ranch Complex. Construction of the runway extension would not substantially alter the visual setting of the airport or alter the characteristics or visual setting of the historic properties in the Burdell Ranch Complex in a manner that would affect their inclusion or eligibility for the NRHP.

As shown on the Community Noise Equivalent Level (CNEL) noise contour map (Enclosure 2), the historic properties within the Burdell Ranch Complex are located outside of the 65 decibel CNEL noise contour associated with the airport. FAA regulations at Title 14 CFR Part 150 *Airport Noise Compatibility Planning* identify noise levels below 65 decibels CNEL as generally compatible with all types of land uses. Aircraft noise levels associated with the Gnoss Field Airport would remain compatible with the existing uses of Olompali State Park and the Burdell Ranch Complex and not alter the existing characteristics of the Burdell Ranch Complex that have resulted in portions of the complex being on or eligible for inclusion in the NRHP.

Inadvertent Discoveries

Although no historic properties are known to occur in the Direct APE, the CR Report identified that archeological or other historic sites could potentially be discovered during construction of the proposed runway extension. As part of the environmental requirements for this project, the FAA would require Marin County have an archeological site monitor present during the initial site excavation of the proposed runway extension. Marin County would be required to stop work and evaluate any archeological or other historic site discovered during the excavation or subsequent construction of the proposed project.

In addition, Marin County is subject to the California Environmental Quality Act and California Health and Safety Code Section 7050.5, which require that the County Coroner be contacted immediately if human remains or associated funerary artifacts are discovered during project construction. If human remains were determined to be Native American, the County Coroner would notify the California Native American Heritage Commission, who would notify and appoint a Most Likely Descendent. The Most Likely Descendent would work with a qualified archeologist to decide the proper treatment of human remains and any associated funerary objects.

Tribal Coordination

The CR Report (Enclosure 1, Appendix B pages 8 - 9) and Enclosures (3) and (4) documents coordination with tribal organizations. The FAA has communicated with all

the Native American individuals and organizations identified by the California Native American Heritage Commission as potentially having knowledge of cultural resources in the area.

After updating the CR Report in October 2010, the FAA provided the revised report to all the Native American individuals and organizations identified by the California Native American Heritage Commission as potentially having knowledge of cultural resources in the area. The FAA transmitted the revised CR Report by letter of January 31, 2011, and requested that the tribal organizations provide any comments or concerns regarding the report by March 7, 2011. To date, the Federated Indians of Graton Rancheria (FIGR), a federally-recognized tribe, have been the only tribal or Native American organization to indicate an interest in the proposed project.

The FIGR provided comments on the CR Report in its letter of February 15, 2011 (Enclosure 3). The FIGR concurred with the CR report's conclusion that no known archeological sites have been identified in the APE. The FIGR recommended that an archeological monitor be on-site during excavation of the project site and identified its interest in receiving copies of reports prepared by the archeological monitor. The FAA explained in it letter of June 23, 2011 (Enclosure 4) that an archeological monitor would be required for the project and how the FIGR's requests for information could be accommodated.

Please advise me within 30 days of receipt of this letter if you have any questions regarding this letter. I can be reached at telephone 650-876-2778, extension 612, or e-mail douglas.pomeroy@faa.gov.

Sincerely,

original signed by

Douglas R. Pomeroy Environmental Protection Specialist

Enclosure 1: October 25, 2010 Cultural Resources Report

Enclosure 2: Community Noise Level Contour Map for Proposed Project

Enclosure 3: FIGR letter of February 15, 2011 to FAA

Enclosure 4: FAA letter of June 23, 2011 to FIGR



Administration

Western-Pacific Region Airports Division San Francisco Airports District Office 831 Mitten Road, Room 210 Burlingame, CA 94010

October 6, 2011

Mr. Tristan Tozer
Historian
Review and Compliance Unit
State Historic Preservation Officer
California Office of Historic Preservation
1725 23rd Street, Suite 100
Sacramento, CA 95816

Subject: Completion of National Historic Preservation Act, Section 106, Consultation Requirements for the proposed, Gnoss Field Airport Runway Extension Project, Marin County, California

Dear Mr. Tozer:

This letter confirms our conversation of September 26, 2011, that the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) has completed consultation requirements with the California State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO) in accordance with the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA), Section 106, and its implementing regulations, Title 36, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 800, *Protection of Historic Properties*, for the proposed Gnoss Field Airport Runway Extension Project, Marin County, California. A summary of the consultation is provided below for your records:

- After coordination with tribal representatives, the FAA provided the Direct and Indirect Area of Potential (APE) effect for California SHPO review by letter of June 28, 2010.
- The California SHPO concurred with the Direct and Indirect APEs by letter of July 20, 2010
- The FAA provided the Cultural Resources Report for tribal review and comment to potentially interested tribes by letter of January 31, 2011
- FAA submitted the Determination of No Effect for the proposed Gnoss Field Airport Runway Extension Project including tribal comments, to the California SHPO on June 23, 2011, with receipt by the California SHPO on June 27, 2011.
- The California SHPO requested FAA provide an estimated depth of ground disturbance by e-mail from Tristan Tozer on July 25, 2011.
- The FAA provided an estimated depth of ground disturbance of 3 feet to Tristan Tozer by e-mail from Douglas Pomeroy of FAA on July 25, 2011.

• In accordance with 36 CFR 800.3 (c)(4) and 800.4 (d)(1)(i) as the California SHPO did not object within 30 days of receipt (i.e. by July 27, 2011) of an adequately documented finding of no effect on historic properties provided by the FAA, the FAA's consultation requirements under the NHPA, Section 106 and 36 CFR 800 are now complete.

The FAA and the County of Marin will include the California SHPO on the distribution list for the FAA's Draft Environmental Impact Statement and the County of Marin's Draft Environmental Impact Report for the proposed project.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, I can be reached at telephone 650-876-2778, extension 612, or e-mail douglas.pomeroy@faa.gov.

Sincerely,

original signed by

Douglas R. Pomeroy Environmental Protection Specialist Archived: Monday, October 17, 2011 8:41:14 AM

From: Douglas Pomeroy
To: ttozer@parks.ca.gov
Bcc: Douglas Pomeroy

Subject: Gnoss Field Airport Runway Extension project - Appears NHPA Section 106 process is

complete

Tristan Tozer, Historian Review and Compliance Unit Office of Historic Preservation (916) 445-7027 1725 23rd Street, Suite 100 Sacramento, CA 95816

Hi Tristan,

Based on our FAA letter of June 23, 2011, and clarifying e-mail of July 25, 2011, more than 30 days has now elapsed since FAA's submittal of our No Effect determination for the Gnoss Field Airport Runway Extension Project.

My understanding is that based on the information the FAA has provided and 36 CFR 800.4(d)(1) and (d) (1)(i), that the National Historic Preservation Act, Section 106 process is now complete as there was no objection to the FAA's no effect determination.

The FAA will require Marin County to follow the protective measures identified in our documentation to the State Historic Preservation Office, and would reconsult if a discovery of previously unknown historic properties is made during the subsequent grading or construction of the project.

Doug Pomeroy FAA San Francisco Airports District Office Environmental Protection Specialist 650-876-2778 ext 612

P.S. My office will move to a new building with new telephone numbers in September. E-mail should remain the same. Will provide the new contact information when we receive it. Thanks. Doug

---- Forwarded by Douglas Pomeroy/AWP/FAA on 08/23/2011 10:20 AM -----

From: Douglas Pomeroy/AWP/FAA

To: TTOZER@parks.ca.gov Date: 07/25/2011 03:34 PM

Subject: Re: Gnoss Field Airport Runway Extension project

Hi Tristan,

Assume 3 feet. We are mostly adding fill, not removing it. Federal Aviation Administrative Airports Division just got furloughed. I have included standard furlough message below so you know my status. Doug

"I am not in the office due to a furlough resulting from an expiration of funding. I will respond to your e-mail message upon my return."

----- "Tozer, Tristan" wrote: -----

To: Douglas Pomeroy/AWP/FAA

From: "Tozer, Tristan" <TTOZER@parks.ca.gov>

Date: 07/25/2011 11:35AM

Subject: Gnoss Field Airport Runway Extension project

Hi Doug,

I am close to completing my review of the Gnoss Field Airport Runway Extension project and need an additional item of information. Would you provide me with the estimated depth of ground disturbance that will be required for site excavation?

Thanks,

Tristan Tozer Historian Review and Compliance Unit Office of Historic Preservation (916) 445-7027 1725 23rd Street, Suite 100 Sacramento, CA 95816