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June 22, 1981

City Council
Sacramento, California

Honorable Members in Session:

SUBJECT: Resolution Approving Negative Declaration for POCKET AREA STORM AND SANITARY ASSESSMENT DISTRICT NO. 2

SUMMARY:

The Environmental Coordinator has reviewed the subject project and finds that it will not have a significant adverse effect on the physical environment and therefore recommends that the project and a Negative Declaration be approved by the City Council.

BACKGROUND:

In accordance with State EIR Guidelines for Implementation of the California Environmental Quality Act of 1970, dated December 1976, an Initial Study was performed. As a result of this study, it was determined that the Pocket Area Storm and Sanitary Assessment District No. 2 would not have a significant adverse effect on the physical environment and a draft Negative Declaration was prepared. On June 9, 1981 the Negative Declaration was filed with the County. On June 15, 1981 Notice of Opportunity for Public Review of the draft Negative Declaration was published in The Sacramento Union. The appropriate length of time has elapsed for receipt of comments regarding the Negative Declaration, with no comments having been received.

RECOMMENDATION:

The Environmental Coordinator recommends that the attached resolution be passed which will:

1. Determine that the proposed project will not have a significant effect on the environment.

2. Approve the Negative Declaration.

3. Approve the project.

4. Authorize the Environmental Coordinator to file a Notice of Determination with the County Clerk.

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. PARKER
City Engineer

Recommendation Approved:

Walter J. Slipe, City Manager

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June 30, 1981
District No. 8

RESOLUTION NO. 81-486

ADOPTED BY THE SACRAMENTO CITY COUNCIL ON DATE OF

June 30, 1980

RESOLUTION APPROVING NEGATIVE DECLARATION
FOR POCKET AREA STORM AND SANITARY ASSESSMENT
DISTRICT NO. 2

WHEREAS, on June 9, 1981 R. H. Parker, the Environmental Coordinator of the City of Sacramento, filed a Negative Declaration with the County Clerk of Sacramento County for the following proposed City initiated project: POCKET AREA STORM AND SANITARY ASSESSMENT DISTRICT NO. 2

WHEREAS, the prescribed time for receiving appeals has elapsed and no appeals were received,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SACRAMENTO:

1. That the proposed project, POCKET AREA STORM AND SANITARY ASSESSMENT DISTRICT NO. 2 will not have a significant effect on the environment.

2. That the Negative Declaration for the above-described project is hereby approved.

3. That the above-described project is hereby approved for the construction of sanitary sewer lines and sewer pumping plants, drain lines, channel improvements storm drainage pumps, water mains and two traffic bridges.

4. That the Environmental Coordinator is authorized to file with the County Clerk a Notice of Determination for said project.

MAYOR

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK

APPROVED
BY THE CITY COUNCIL

JUN 30 1980

OFFICE OF THE
CITY CLERK

NEGATIVE DECLARATION

Pursuant to Division 6, Title 14, Chapter 3, Article 7, Section 15083 of the California Administrative Code and pursuant to the Procedures and Guidelines for preparation and processing of Environmental Impact Reports (Resolution 78-172) adopted by the City of Sacramento, pursuant to Sacramento City Code Chapter 63, the Environmental Coordinator of the City of Sacramento, California, a municipal corporation, does prepare, make, declare, publish, and cause to be filed with the County Clerk of Sacramento County, State of California this Negative Declaration regarding the project described as follows:

1. Title and Short Description of Project:

POCKET ROAD STORM AND SANITARY ASSESSMENT DISTRICT NO. 2

The project will consist of constructing sanitary sewer lines and sewer pumping plants. Drain lines, channel improvements and storm drainage pumps. Water mains and two traffic bridges.

2. Location of Project:

The project is located within an undeveloped section of the South Pocket Area. The project is approximately 540 acres in size and is included in the larger South Pocket Area designated for urbanization by the City Council with the adoption of the South Pocket Area Specific Plan.

3. The Proponent of the Project: City of Sacramento

4. It is found that the project will not have a significant effect on the environment. A copy of the initial study is attached, which documents the reasons supporting the above finding and any mitigation measures included in the project to avoid any potentially significant effects identified in the initial study.

5. The Initial Study was Prepared by The Spink Corporation.

6. A copy of the Initial Study and this Negative Declaration may be obtained at 915 - I Street, Room 207, Sacramento, California 95814.

APPROVED
BY THE CITY COUNCIL

JUN 30 1981

OFFICE OF THE
CITY CLERK

DATED: June 1, 1981

Environmental Coordinator of the City of Sacramento, California, a municipal corporation

By R. H. PARKER, City Engineer

ENDORSED

JUN 9 1981

J.A. SIMPSON, CLERK
By R. WEESHOFF, Deputy

CITY OF SACRAMENTO

INITIAL STUDY

References are to California Administrative Code, Title 14, Division 6, Chapter 3, Article 7, Section 15080.

1. Title and Description of Project (15080(c)(1))

   POCKET ROAD STORM AND SANITARY ASSESSMENT DISTRICT NO. 2

   The project will consist of constructing sanitary sewer lines and sewer pumping plants. Drain lines, channel improvements and storm drainage pumps. Water mains and two traffic bridges.

2. Environmental Setting (15080(c)(2))

   The project is located within an undeveloped section of the South Pocket Area. The project is approximately 540 acres in size and is included in the larger South Pocket Area designated for ubanization by the City Council with the adoption of the South Pocket Area Specific Plan.

3. Environmental Effects - Attached checklist must be completed by person conducting initial study (15080(c)(3)).

4. Mitigation Measures - Attached list of mitigation measures must be completed by person conducting initial study (15080(c)(4)).

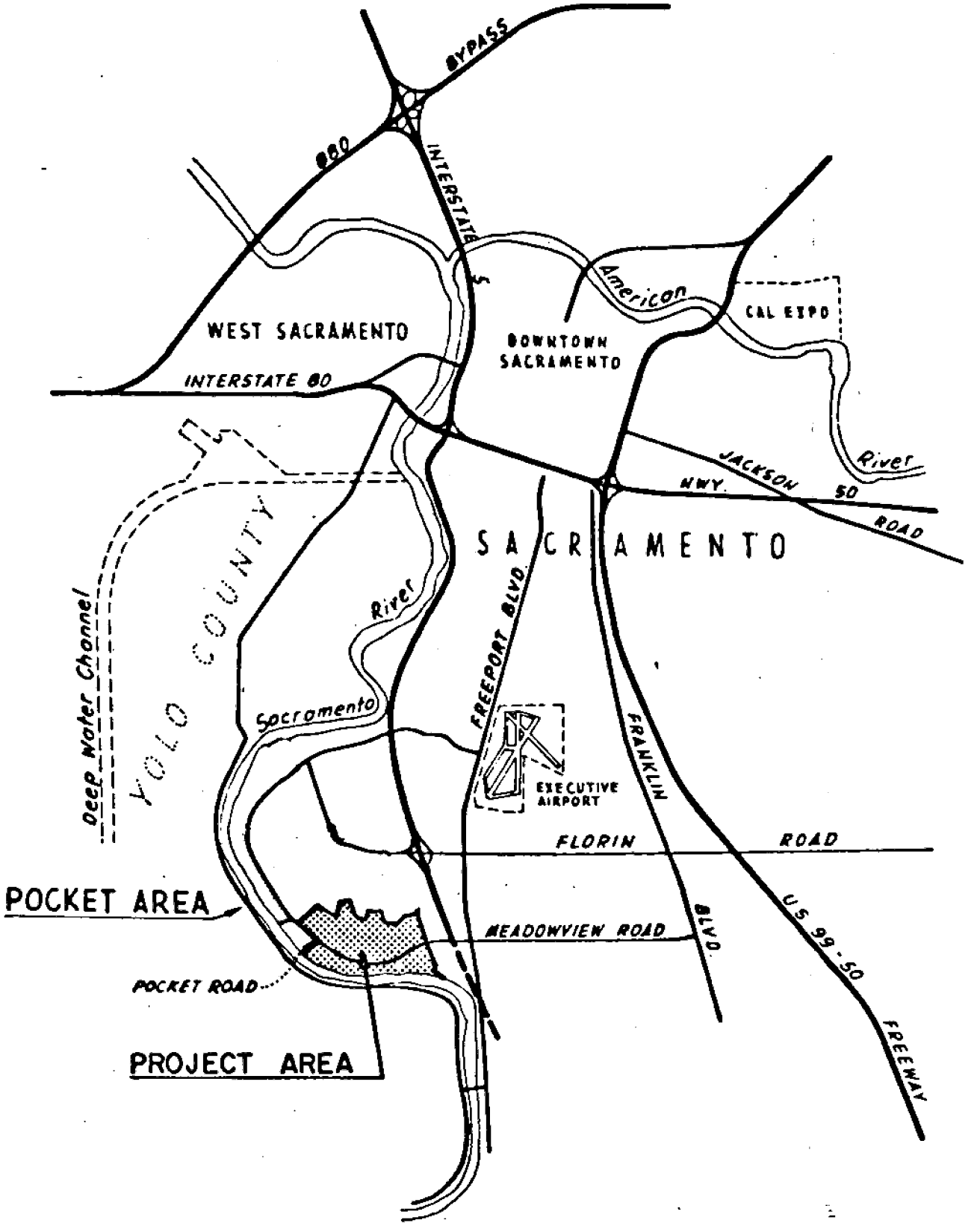
5. Compatibility with Existing Zoning and Plans (15080(c)(5))

   This project is compatible with existing Zoning and Plans.

Date June 1, 1981

(Signature)

Title Civil Engineer



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CITY OF SACRAMENTO
INITIAL STUDY
ENVIRONMENTAL CHECKLIST FORM

C.C. No. 9518

Date: 6/1/81

I. BACKGROUND

1. Name of Project POCKET ROAD STORM AND SANITARY ASSESSMENT DISTRICT NO. 2

2. City Department Initiating Project Engineering

3. Name of Individual Preparing Checklist Jim Bomts (The Spink Corporation)

4. Is Checklist Being Prepared for CEQA X or NEPA ___?

5. Source of Funding of Project Property owner assessment

II. ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS
(Explanations of all "yes" and "maybe" answers are required under Item III.)

	Yes	Maybe	No
1. Earth. Will the proposal result in:			
a. Unstable earth conditions or in changes in geologic substructures?			X
b. Disruptions, displacements, compaction or overcovering of the soil?	X		
c. Change in topography or ground surface relief features?	X		
d. The destruction, covering or modification of any unique geologic or physical features?			X
e. Any increase in wind or water erosion of soils, either on or off the site?			X
f. Changes in deposition or erosion of beach sands, or changes in siltation, deposition or erosion which may modify the channel of a river or stream or the bed of the ocean or any bay, inlet or lake?			X
g. Exposure of people or property to geologic hazards such as earthquakes, landslides, mudslides, ground failure, or similar hazards?			X
2. Air. Will the proposal result in:			
a. Substantial air emissions or deterioration of ambient air quality?			X
b. The creation of objectionable odors?			X
c. Alteration of air movement, moisture or temperature, or any change in climate, either locally or regionally?			X
3. Water. Will the proposal result in:			
a. Changes in currents, or the course or direction of water movements, in either marine or fresh waters?			X
b. Changes in absorption rates, drainage patterns, or the rate and amount of surface water runoff?	X		
c. Alterations to the course or flow of flood waters?			X
d. Change in the amount of surface water in any water body?			X
e. Discharge into surface waters, or in any alteration of surface water quality, including but not limited to temperature, dissolved oxygen or turbidity?			X
f. Alteration of the direction or rate of flow of ground waters.	X		
g. Change in the quantity of ground waters, either through direct additions or withdrawals, or through interception of an aquifer by cuts or excavations?	X		
h. Substantial reduction in the amount of water otherwise available for public water supplies?			X

	Yes	Maybe	No
i. Exposure of people or property to water related hazards such as flooding or tidal wave?			X
4. Plant Life. Will the proposal result in:			
a. Change in the diversity of species, or number of any species of plants (including trees, shrubs, grass, crops, microflora and aquatic plants)?	X		
b. Reduction of the numbers of any unique, rare or endangered species of plants?			X
c. Introduction of new species of plants into an area, or in a barrier to the normal replenishment of existing species?			X
d. Reduction in acreage of any agricultural crop?	X		
5. Animal Life. Will the proposal result in:			
a. Change in the diversity of species, or numbers of any species of animals (birds, land animals including reptiles, fish and shellfish, benthic organisms, insects or microfauna)?			X
b. Reduction of the numbers of any unique, rare or endangered species of animals?			X
c. Introduction of new species of animals into an area, or result in a barrier to the migration or movement of animals?			X
d. Deterioration to existing fish or wildlife habitat?			X
6. Noise. Will the proposal result in:			
a. Increase in existing noise levels?	X		
b. Exposure of people to severe noise levels?			X
7. Light and Glare. Will the proposal produce new light or glare?			X
8. Land Use. Will the proposal result in a substantial alteration of the present or planned use of an area?	X		
9. Natural Resources. Will the proposal result in:			
a. Increase in the rate of use of any natural resources?		X	
b. Substantial depletion of any nonrenewable natural resource?			X
10. Risk of Upset. Does the proposal involve a risk of an explosion or the release of hazardous substances (including, but not limited to, oil, pesticides, chemicals or radiation) in the event of an accident or upset conditions?			X
11. Population. Will the proposal alter the location, distribution, density, or growth rate of the human population of an area?	X		
12. Housing. Will the proposal affect existing housing, or create a demand for additional housing?	X		
13. Transportation/Circulation. Will the proposal result in:			
a. Generation of substantial additional vehicular movement?	X		
b. Effects on existing parking facilities, or demand for new parking?			X
c. Substantial impact upon existing transportation systems?		X	
d. Alterations to present patterns of circulation or movement of people and/or goods?			X
e. Alterations to waterborne, rail or air traffic?			X
f. Increase in traffic hazards to motor vehicles, bicyclists or pedestrians?			X
14. Public Services. Will the proposal have an effect upon, or result in a need for new or altered governmental services in any of the following areas:			
a. Fire protection?	X		
b. Police protection?	X		
c. Schools?	X		

	Yes	Maybe	No
d. Parks or other recreational facilities?	X		
e. Maintenance of public facilities, including roads?	X		
f. Other governmental services?			X
15. Energy. Will the proposal result in:			
a. Use of substantial amounts of fuel or energy?		X	
b. Substantial increase in demand upon existing sources of energy, or require the development of new sources of energy?			X
16. Utilities. Will the proposal result in a need for new systems, or substantial alterations to the following utilities:			
a. Power or natural gas?	X		
b. Communications systems?	X		
c. Water?	X		
d. Sewer or septic tanks?	X		
e. Storm water drainage?	X		
f. Solid waste and disposal?	X		
17. Human Health. Will the proposal result in:			
a. Creation of any health hazard or potential health hazard (excluding mental health)?			X
b. Exposure of people to potential health hazards?			X
18. Aesthetics. Will the proposal result in the obstruction of any scenic vista or view open to the public, or will the proposal result in the creation of an aesthetically offensive site open to public view?			X
19. Recreation. Will the proposal result in an impact upon the quality or quantity of existing recreational opportunities?			X
20. Archeological/Historical. Will the proposal result in an alteration of a significant archeological or historical site, structure, object or building?			X
21. Mandatory Findings of Significance.			
a. Does the project have the potential to degrade the quality of the environment, substantially reduce the habitat of a fish or wildlife species, cause a fish or wildlife population to drop below self sustaining levels, threaten to eliminate a plant or animal community, reduce the number or restrict the range of a rare or endangered plant or animal or eliminate important examples of the major periods of California history or prehistory?			X
b. Does the project have the potential to achieve short-term, to the disadvantage of long-term, environmental goals? (A short-term impact on the environment is one which occurs in a relatively brief, definitive period of time while long-term impacts will endure well into the future.)			X
c. Does the project have impacts which are individually limited, but cumulatively considerable? (A project may impact on two or more separate resources where the impact on each resource is relatively small, but where the effect of the total of those impacts on the environment is significant.			X
d. Does the project have environmental effects which will cause substantial adverse effects on human beings, either directly or indirectly?			X

III. DISCUSSION OF ENVIRONMENTAL EVALUATION (any "yes" or "maybe" answers must be explained - attached additional sheets if necessary)

1. Earth

b. Temporary service roads will be constructed within the limits of the project. The service roads will be surfaced with aggregate base and will provide access to the contractor's several areas of construction activity. The temporary service roads will be obliterated upon completion of the project and the aggregate base material removed and disposed of outside the limits of the project.

c. The existing topography will not be greatly altered as a result of this project. Both the sewage lift stations and underground pipe systems will require open excavations of moderate size and depth to allow construction of these facilities. Upon completion of construction, the excavations will be backfilled.

This project is merely preparatory work to enable further development of the area. The major impacts of this project will be associated with the future phases of development, rather than the current project. These impacts were thoroughly discussed in the environmental impact report for the South Pocket Area Specific Plan.

3. Water

b. This project in itself will not result in any significant changes in absorption rates, drainage patterns, or the rate and amount of surface runoff. However, upon completion of urban development within the project area, the existing drainage will be altered in that the area will change from primarily agricultural to single family residential. The impact of changes in drainage patterns due to urbanization is thoroughly discussed in the environmental impact report for the South Pocket Area Specific Plan.

c. Upon completion of the project and after the area has been urbanized, excess surface drainage waters will be discharged outside the limits of the project to an existing drainage canal. Presently, since the project area is agricultural in nature, excess surface waters flow overland to form ponds in shallow depression areas for subsequent infiltration into the ground.

f&g Excavations for the sewage lift stations and underground pipe systems will require dewatering. The dewatering process will affect the flow pattern of ground waters.

4. Plant Life

a. Some removal of natural grasses and shrubs, if any, will occur as a result of the construction of the sanitary sewer and storm drainage facilities for this project.

d. Ultimate urban development of the area subsequent to the construction of this project will result in a net reduction of productive agricultural land. This impact has been thoroughly discussed in the environmental impact report for the South Pocket Area Specific Plan.

6. Noise

a. Construction operations will create a certain amount of noise within the limits of this project. The noise resulting from construction activities, although temporary, may have an adverse effect on the neighborhood within the project area.

8. Land Use

The construction of this project provides basic sanitary sewer and storm drainage facilities that will enable further urban development of the area. The major impact of this project on land use will be associated with the future phases of development, rather than the current project. These impacts are covered in the environmental impact report for the South Pocket Area Specific Plan.

11. Population

Futher development of the South Pocket Area subsequent to the construction of this project will have a substantial impact on the population growth of this area. The impacts of this growth are thoroughly discussed in the environmental impact report for the South Pocket Area Specific Plan.

12. Housing

Ultimate urban development of the area subsequent to the construction of this project will create a demand for additional housing. The impact of this demand has been thoroughly discussed in the environmental impact report for the South Pocket Area Specific Plan.

13. Transportation/Circulation

a. This project in itself will not generate substantial additional vehicular movement; however, future development of the South Pocket Area will have a substantial impact on the generation of additional vehicular movement.

c. This project will not have a direct impact upon existing transportation systems. Ultimate urban development of the area subsequent to the construction of the project may have an impact on existing transportation systems due to the increase in traffic generated by the urbanization of the urbanization of the area. The impacts of additional traffic generation and its effects on existing transportation systems was thoroughly discussed in the environmental impact report for the South Pocket Area Specific Plan.

14. Public Services

a, b, c, d, & e This project in itself will not result in any special need for new governmental services. However, further development of the area will have an effect on the demand for governmental services as was discussed in the environmental impact report for the South

Pocket Area Specific Plan.

15. Energy

a. Construction operations for this project will result in the increased use of motor fuels, oils, and lubricants. The actual effect of this energy demand locally, statewide, or nationwide is not considered to be significant.

Electricity will be required to operate the sewage lift station and/or the drainage pumping station. This increased usage of electricity is not expected to be excessive considering the future development.

16. Utilities

a, b, c, d, e, & f. This project in itself will not result in any significant increase in demand for public utilities.

It will be necessary to extend new utilities to serve future development of the area.

The impact of increased utility demand was thoroughly discussed in the environmental impact report for the South Pocket Area Specific Plan.

IV. Mitigation measures proposed to minimize environmental impacts for the project as identified above. (Explain in detail - if none, so state)

Rigid construction controls will be incorporated into the specifications and maintained during construction to minimize dust and noise pollution, enhance public safety and protect existing property and improvements.

V. Alternatives to the project which would produce less of an adverse impact on the environment (lower density, less intense land use, move building on site, no project, et cetera)

The only alternative to the project is "no project". If no project is constructed, the area will remain basically as it now exists. It will not be possible for the area to develop as outlined in the South Pocket Area Specific Plan.

VI. DETERMINATION

On the basis of this initial study:

[X] I find the proposed project COULD NOT have a significant effect on the environment, and a NEGATIVE DECLARATION will be prepared.

[ ] I find that although the proposed project could have a significant effect on the environment, there will not be a significant effect in this case because the mitigation measures described in IV above have been added to the project or the possibility of a significant effect on the environment is so remote as to be insignificant.

[ ] I find the proposed project MAY have a significant effect on the environment, and an ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT IS REQUIRED.

Date JUNE 1, 1981

(Signature)

Title Civil Engineer