

# 350 AMBER DRIVE

CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION APPEAL

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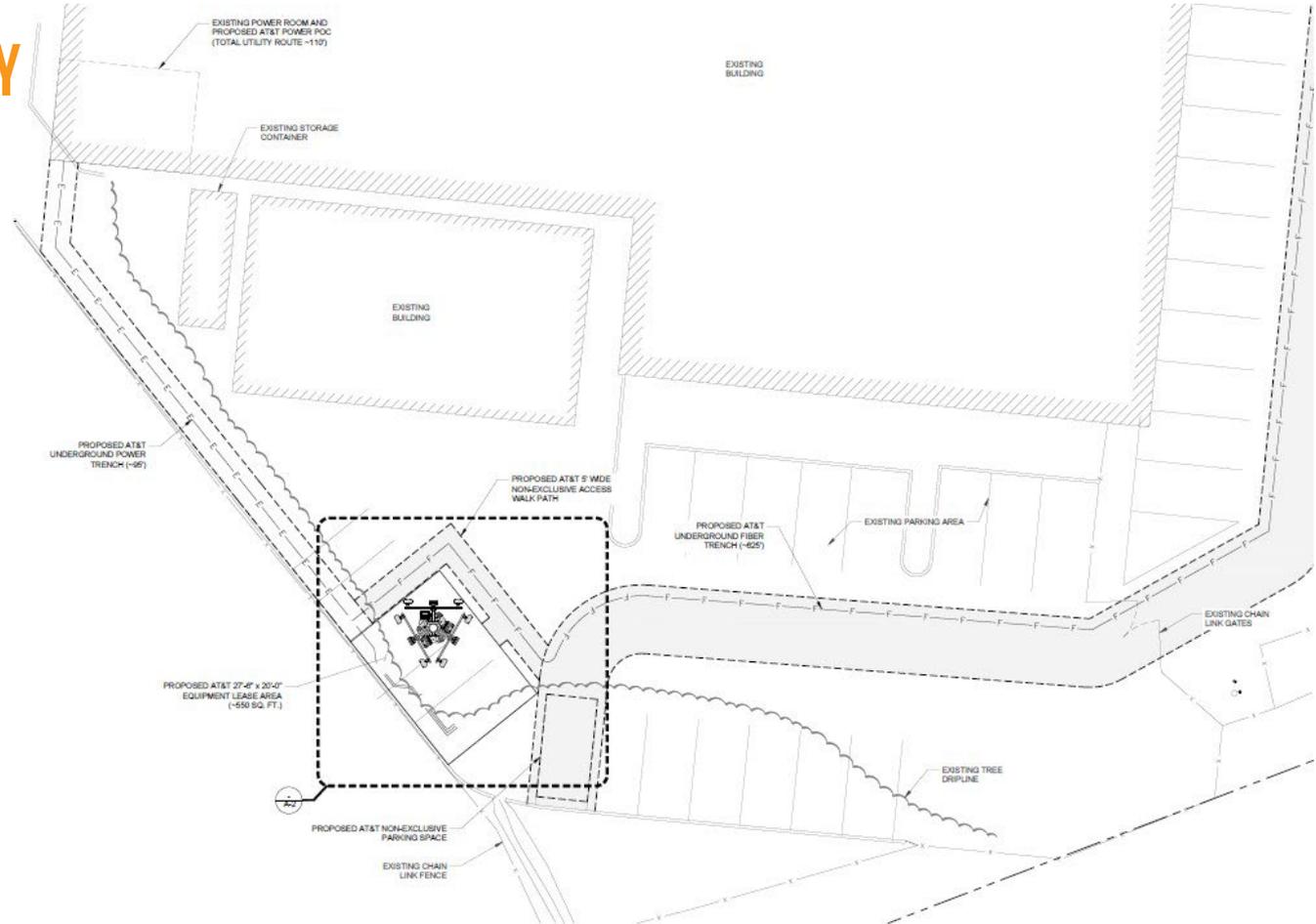
## PROJECT SITE

- Parcel owned by SFPD, used as police academy
- Parcel adjacent to park, project site nearby



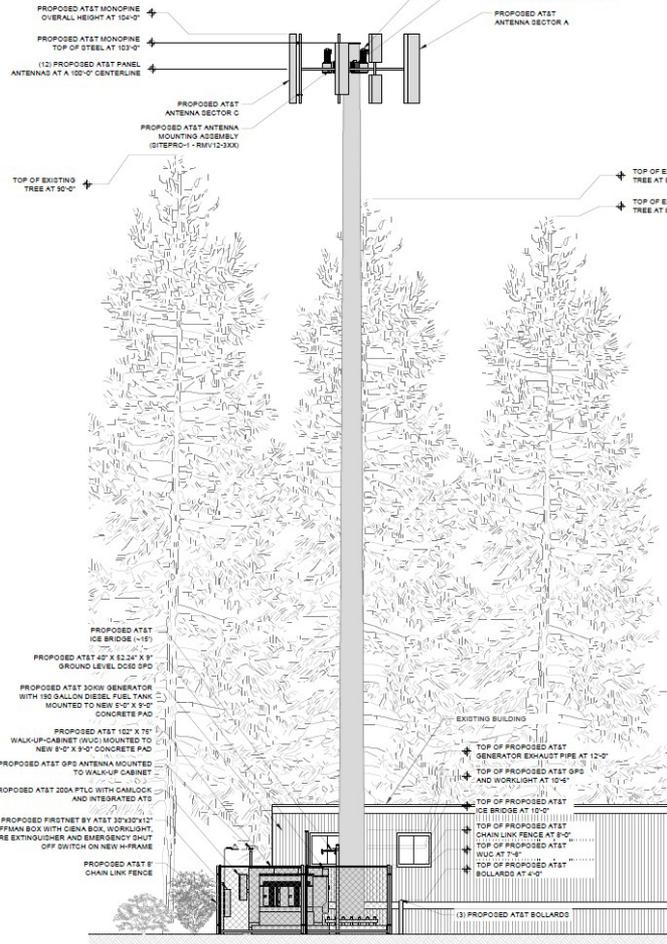
# PROJECT SUMMARY

- New 104' monopole, over paved parking area with footprint of 550 square feet
- 12 antennas, 30 kilowatt backup generator, 190 gallon diesel tank, and other associated equipment



# ELEVATION VIEW

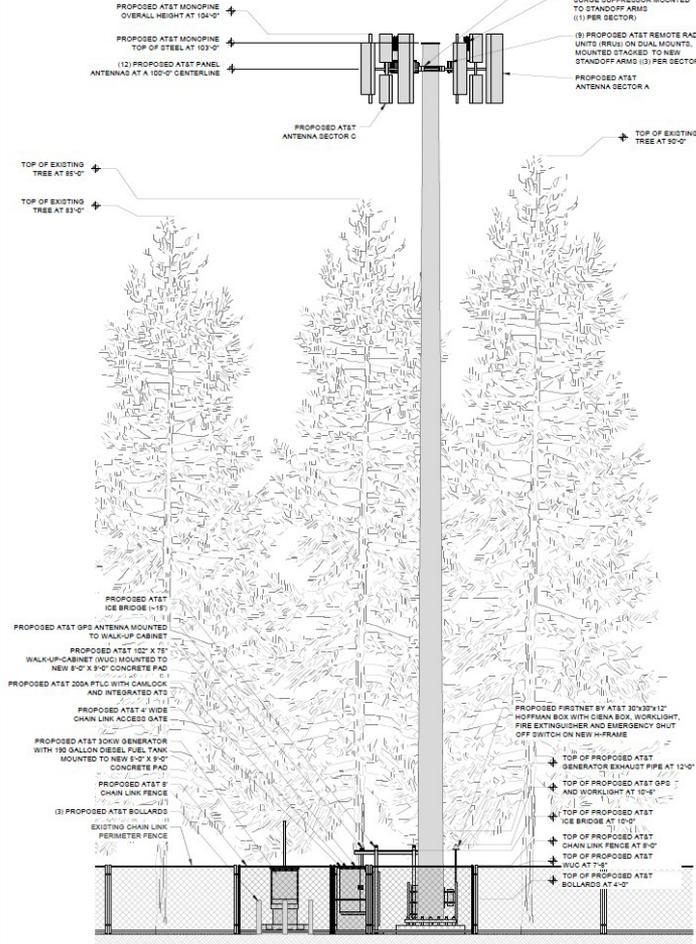
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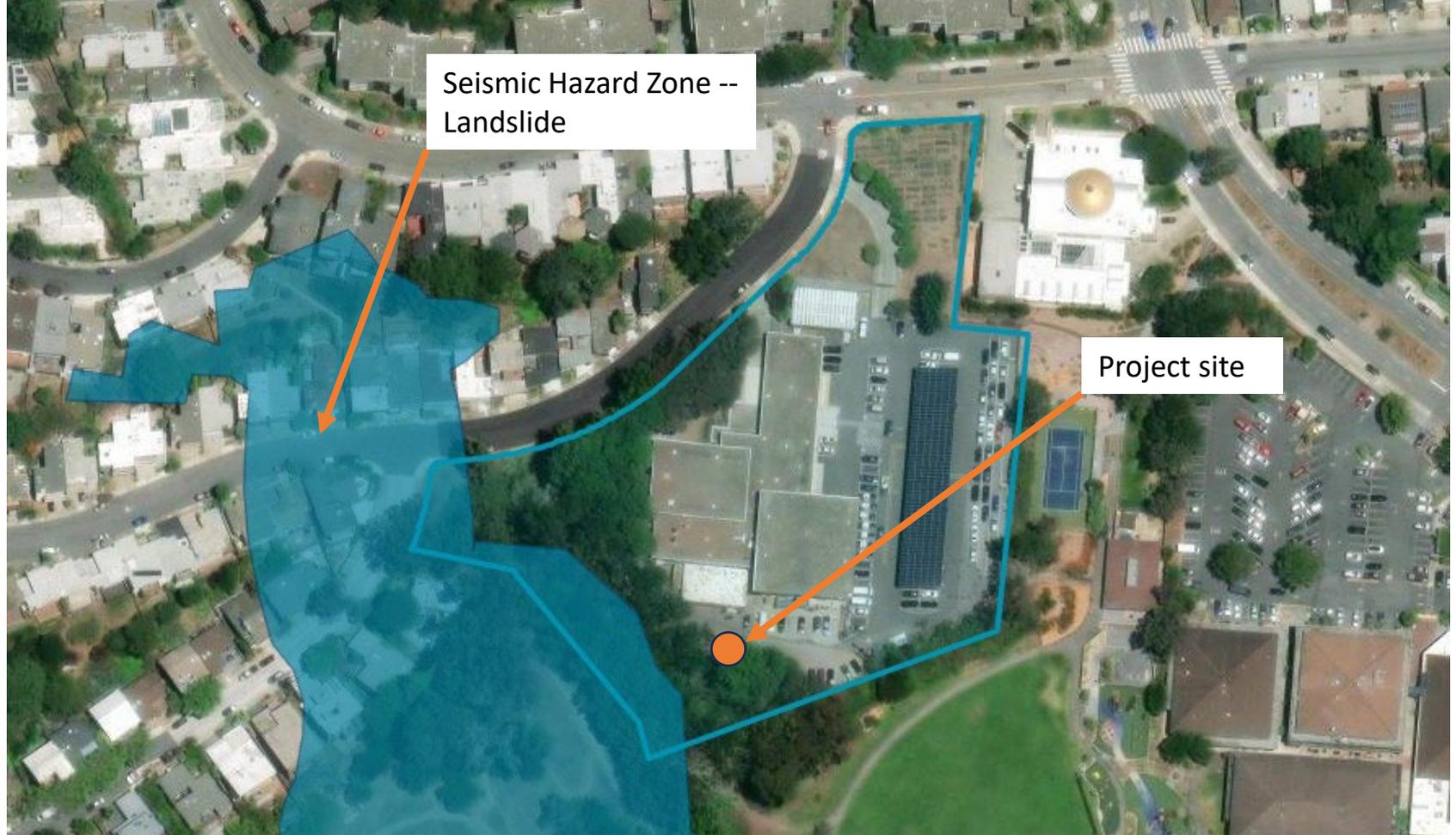


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# THE PROJECT MEETS THE DEFINITION FOR A CLASS 3 CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION

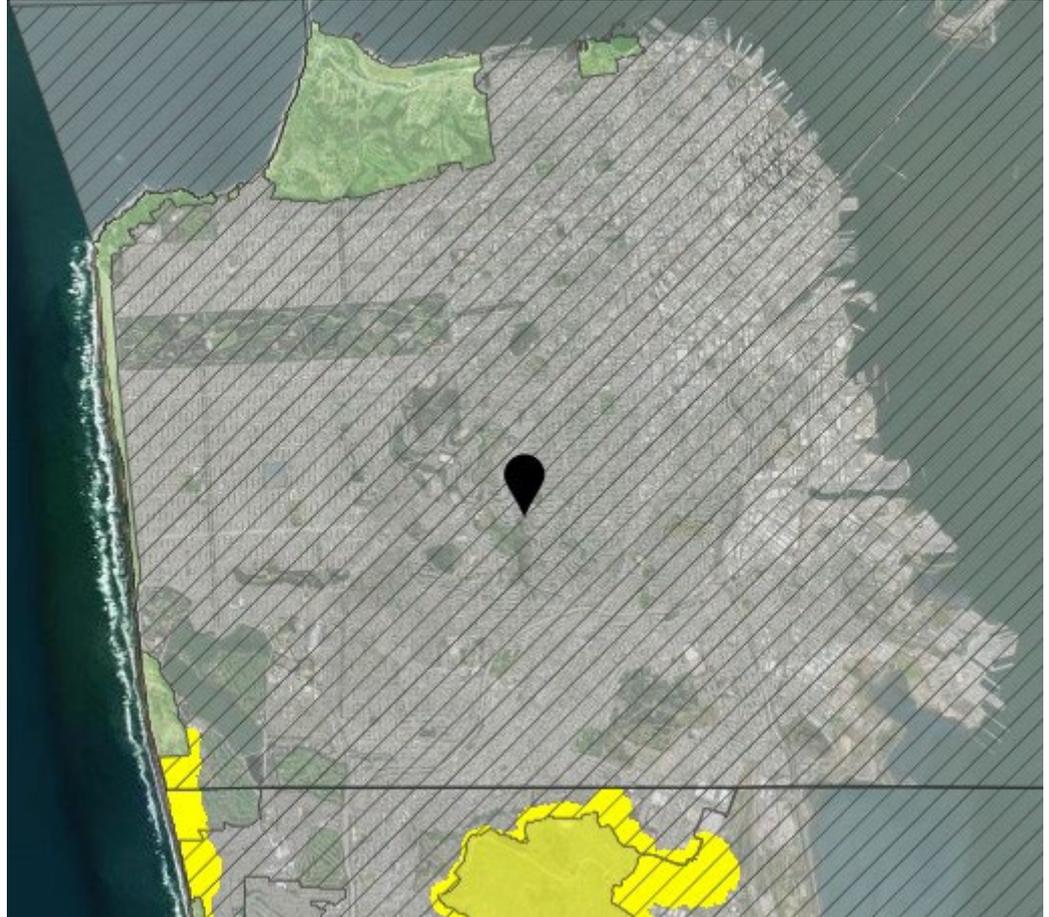
- CEQA Guidelines section 15303, or Class 3, applies to projects proposing the construction and location of limited numbers of new, small facilities or structures; installation of small new equipment and facilities in small structures...
- Class 3 includes a wide range of activities concerning new, small facilities or structures, which allows commercial structures up to 10,000 square feet, for example.
- The project proposes to install modestly-sized equipment in a small footprint and with maximum height comparable to the surrounding trees.



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# NO SIGNIFICANT FIRE RISK IMPACTS

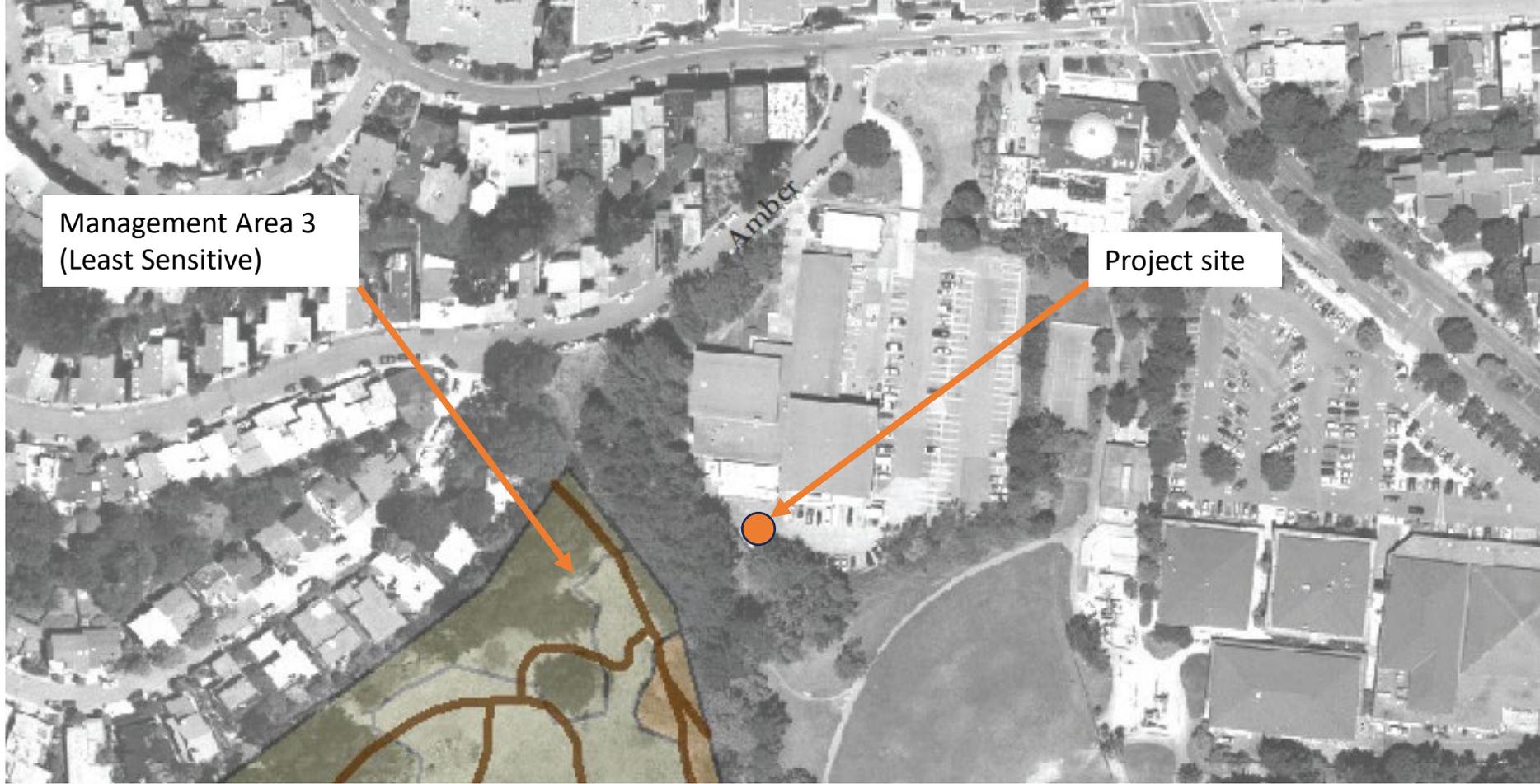
- CalFire maps show site not located in Fire Hazard Severity Zone
- Project must meet state and local fire codes, which include specific requirements for cellular antenna sites and placement of diesel generators
- Code requirements are intended to ensure fire and life safety, fire prevention, and property protection



# NO SIGNIFICANT AIR QUALITY IMPACTS

## Air Quality

- All monopole facilities in San Francisco include diesel-powered backup generators similar to the proposed project
- The generators and diesel fuel tanks are regulated by the Bay Area Air District, which does not require permits for backup generators and tanks this size
- Bay Area Air District states that pieces of equipment such as those proposed for this project can be considered insignificant sources of air pollution



Management Area 3  
(Least Sensitive)

Project site

**NO SIGNIFICANT BIOLOGICAL RESOURCES IMPACT**

## CONCLUSION

- ✓ The project meets the definition of a Class 3 exemption under CEQA
- ✓ Mitigated Negative Declaration or Environmental Impact Report is not warranted
- ✓ Planning Department requests that the Board reject the appeal and uphold the categorical exemption



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# THANK YOU

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