

From: [Jamie Roberts](#)
To: [Ho, Calvin \(BOS\)](#)
Cc: [MandelmanStaff \(BOS\)](#); [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Re: Please Grant Appeal File No. 251094 – CEQA Exemption of AT&T Macro Tower – Environmental & Safety Concerns
Date: Tuesday, December 2, 2025 8:32:12 PM

Hi Calvin,

Speaking frankly I'm not equipped for fighting large corporations such as AT&T, entering neighborhoods and building monstrous towers with no regard for anyone that lives here.

It's truly disgraceful. If we don't get the support we need to appeal schemes like this. Or we can't rely on help from our leaders or anyone that could help support our community we're doomed.

We're already working in extremely limiting conditions with specific requirements that make hard if not impossible for the majority of residents to understand the proposal and requirements to appeal. Is almost as if the system is designed to enable the developers.

Maybe that's how it is, or large sums of money have passed or no one really cares.

All I know it doesn't feel right, or just or fair.

Thank you so much for your consideration.

Best, Jamie

Sent from my iPhone

On Dec 1, 2025, at 5:35 PM, Ho, Calvin (BOS) <calvin.ho@sfgov.org> wrote:

Hello,

Thank you for your email. This appeal is considered a quasi-judicial proceeding and thus, President Mandelman is not allowed to form a decision on the matter until all testimonies have been heard. I will share your email, along with others that we have received from concerned neighbors, with him to review prior to the hearing. Please don't hesitate to reach out if you need any further assistance.

Calvin Ho (he/they)

Legislative Aide

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From: Jamie Roberts <jamie73@mac.com>

Sent: Tuesday, November 25, 2025 11:36 AM

To: MandelmanStaff (BOS) <mandelmanstaff@sfgov.org>; BOS Legislation, (BOS) <bos.legislation@sfgov.org>

Cc: Ho, Calvin (BOS) <calvin.ho@sfgov.org>

Subject: Please Grant Appeal File No. 251094 – CEQA Exemption of AT&T Macro Tower – Environmental & Safety Concerns

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Dear Supervisor Mandelman, And Members of the SF Board of Supervisors.

I live and vote in San Francisco and have been resident here for 20 years 16 at Amber drive.. This neighborhood is important to me and my family.

I urge you to grant the appeal of the Planning Commission's CEQA exemption for the proposed 104-foot AT&T tower at 350 Amber Drive.

This huge 10story tall industrial electronic structure does not belong in a residential neighborhood next to Glen Canyon Park and George Christopher Playground, especially on land mapped as an earthquake/landslide zone with documented seismic failures. It will stand out far above the treeline above Christopher Park and dominate the skyline above Glen Canyon. It is not a small structure like an add on to an existing garage, it is a massive tower!

Key Safety Issues in this location:

- **Fire Risk:** This Urban Wildfire Interface area should not have a 190-gallon diesel tank next to combustible vegetation in a very windy area of San Francisco. Towers must power down before water application, causing dangerous delays for evacuation in a

neighborhood of two lane streets.

- **Seismic Landslide Risk:** This site has history of seismic failures; it is on CA state and San Francisco hazard maps as landslide area and documented unstable soil cannot safely support this massive heavy structure.
- **Natural Resources:** Glen Canyon Park is on of San Francisco “Significant Natural Resource Areas” and habitat for flora, fauna including many sensitive species of birdsthat will be endangered both by the construction that will require digging of a hole greater than 60 feet to reach bedrock and by potential fire and landslides.
- **Approval made based on Misleading Claims:** AT&T says the tower is needed for 911 and FirstNet (wireless spectrum for first responders in disasters like 911), but our Fire Chief confirmed 911 doesn't rely on one network, and neither Fire nor Police require First Responders to use FirstNet. ATT counters that they are required by their contract with the Federal Government to provide FirstNET nationwide and signal strength in some areas is too weak to reach FirstNET(as shown by their “simulated” maps). However, FirstNEThas signal boosters that can be added to phones without having to add massive antenna structures in residential neighborhoods.

There are only two Wireless Antenna Facilities over 100 feet high in San Francisco both are in commercial areas and atop buildings. This would be the **first free-standing tower of thisheight and bulk** near homes and parks in our city and in areas of high fire danger and in landslide/seismic zones.

Other telecom carriers serve this area without such intrusive structures.

Please support the appeal of this exemption and require a full Environmental Impact Report examining safer alternatives and detailed geotechnical studies. If approved here, AT&T will demand similar towers throughout San Francisco.

Safety must come first.

Sincerely,

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Sent from my iPhone

From: [Allan LeBlanc](#)
To: [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\)](#)
Cc: [Calvillo, Angela \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Public Comments to: CEQA Environmental Exemption Appeal Conditional Use Authorization Appeal, 350 Amber Drive
Date: Tuesday, December 2, 2025 10:49:54 AM

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SF Board of Supervisors,

I encourage you to reject the complaints to the CUA and CEQA exemption filed by the Diamond Heights Community Association and allow this cell phone tower development to proceed as originally planned.

I am a San Francisco resident and father of 3 girls. I previously lived at 977 Duncan Street and am a current resident of Glen Park. My children attended Noe Valley Nursery School next to the Police Academy, and I am a frequent visitor to both Christopher Playground and the Diamond Heights Shopping Center. Our daughters learned to ride their bikes in the Police Academy Parking Lot, one of the few large flat areas in the neighborhood. All that to say, I am very familiar with the proposed location of this antenna and am a member of the impacted neighborhood.

I encourage you to allow the construction of this tower to proceed for the following reasons:

1. Safety - Cell phone service at Christopher Playground and the surrounding area is terrible. Noe Valley Nursery School has to maintain a legacy landline in order to ensure phone access to teachers and parents. I can't tell you how many times a sick kid was picked up late or a parent was unable to quickly get a hold of the school for a family emergency due to the lack of cell phone service.
2. Value of cell service - I have seen the lack of cell phone service impact residents in ways large and small. As a recent example, patients have been unable check in for their vaccine appointments at Walgreens because there is no cell service within the building.
3. Good location - the Police Academy is an excellent location for this tower. The tall eucalyptus trees around Christopher playground will make this tower effectively invisible from the park. The appearance of the tower has been dramatically exaggerated in fliers distributed by the Diamond Heights Community Association.
4. Regularity in planning and development - These NIMBY concerns and obstruction to regular development in San Francisco are examples of why housing is so expensive in this city. This is a small issue, but the fact that every change in our city requires multiple meetings and appeals is part of the problem. Developers both large and small need predictability in planning, and this is an example of something that will improve the lives of residents and should be approved as a matter of course.

I am unable to attend the meeting in person, but trust this will suffice as a counterpoint to the DHCA objections which are not representative of the entire community.

Sincerely,
Allan LeBlanc

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Allan LeBlanc

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From: [deb](#)
To: [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: ATT tower
Date: Tuesday, December 2, 2025 10:00:15 AM
Attachments: [ATT tower.pages](#)

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Dear Board of Supervisors,

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A tower of this size (10 stories) in a neighborhood zoned for four stories, belongs in a commercial or industrial area NOT in a residential neighborhood. This would be the only antenna over 100 feet tall in a residential neighborhood in San Francisco, the 2 existing antennas are in commercial, industrial areas. Other tall (but not reaching 100') towers are near 101 and 280 freeways, BART stations, or attached to tall buildings and NOT adjacent to parks.

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The danger of fire and exposure to Radio Frequency Radiation is not desirable for the wildlife in the canyon, flora and birds and insects and according to the 1996 Telecommunications Act RFR standards are not considered under the definition of “environment” the way humans are, in fact RFR affects avian life at a much lower frequency than humans not to mention antenna collisions to a massive tower built in the middle of a forest.

I respectfully urge the Board of Supervisors

to: **Approve the CEQA appeal, overturn the exemption, and require a full Environmental Impact Report**—including a geotechnical analysis, alternatives evaluation, and review of potential citywide precedent.

From: [Meg Pirnie Kammerud](#)
To: [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: File No. C251098 – REJECT the CEQA Appeal: Conditional Authorization Use approval at 350 Amber Dr Project
Date: Monday, December 1, 2025 3:47:51 PM

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Dear Board of Supervisors:

I am writing today as a neighbor in Glen Park who lives across the street from Glen Canyon and has a garden plot in the Craggs Court Community Garden.

I support the cell tower proposed for Diamond Heights. While it may not be pretty, our city needs reliable cell coverage for emergencies, and frankly, the proposed location makes sense. There just aren't other places to build that would provide that level of coverage. I oppose additional delays and appeals of the project. CEQA is yet again being abused by our city residents, and that should not stand.

Kind regards,
Meg Kammerud

From: [Ed Kamrin](#)
To: [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Request to Overturn Planning Commission Approval - 350 Amber Way Antenna Structure
Date: Monday, December 1, 2025 3:30:46 PM
Attachments: [Planning Commission letter - Edward Kamrin.docx](#)

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Request to Overturn Planning Commission Approval - 350 Amber Way Antenna Structure

Dear Supervisors,

I respectfully urge you to overturn the Planning Commission's 4-3 approval of the proposed antenna structure at 350 Amber Way, San Francisco. My attached comments remain relevant and outline why this approval should be reversed.

A 10-story antenna does not belong in a neighborhood zoned for four stories. This would be the only residential antenna exceeding 100 feet in height. Existing tall antennas are located in commercial areas, near freeways or BART stations, or on commercial buildings—not adjacent to residential parks.

The structure is not necessary. Alternative locations exist, as do less **intrusive** antenna systems and alternative methods to support FIRST NET. Notably, local Police and Fire Departments do not require first responders to use FIRST NET. AT&T has also declined to rule out adding additional carrier antennas, which would further increase the structure's bulk and risk.

The structure is not desirable for our community:

- The site sits within a Wildfire/Wildland Urban Interface Area and on SF's Landslide-Seismic hazard map, creating significant fire risk in a wind-prone area
- The 20-foot protrusion above the tree line would alter the neighborhood's character and its valued open skies and canyon views
- Wildlife faces both Radio Frequency Radiation exposure and collision risks from a tower of this scale in a forested area

I respectfully request that you reverse this approval and direct the applicant toward more appropriate locations that do not compromise residential safety and neighborhood character.

Sincerely,
Edward Kamrin

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July 10, 2025

San Francisco Planning Commission

c/o Chair Lydia So and Members: Moore, Braun, Campbell, Imperial, McGarry and Williams
and the Commission Executive Director and Secretary

49 Van Ness Ave.

San Francisco, CA 94103

Dear Chair, Members, Executive Director and Secretary of the Planning Commission:

As an 18-year resident owner of a condominium in the Diamond Heights neighborhood, I am alarmed at the AT&T Wireless Telecommunications Service Facility-Macro Tower proposed in the vicinity of 350 Amber Drive.

First, I have grave safety concerns. Wireless antennas have been linked to fires in high winds. In our already windy neighborhood, this is a real concern, particularly given the nearby old, non-native trees. As treasurer of the homeowners association for nearby Diamond Heights Village (396 units and 15 buildings on 7 acres), I know that our HOA has already faced great challenges obtaining property insurance, which doubled in cost over one year. This is a challenge we also face as individual unit owners. Concerns about fire safety are one of the reasons for these challenges, and the tower would only worsen the situation.

Second, I question the necessity for this solution. Does the tower truly meet the “least intrusive means” standard required by federal telecommunications law? This is not a location that would naturally conceal the tower through topography, vegetation, or other buildings. It is also not a design that blends with the environment. I would also question whether alternative solutions like distributed antenna systems or small cells can address the coverage gap and ask for an alternative proposal. Technology is developing rapidly, and AT&T should be incentivized to create less intrusive solutions.

Third, the solution disproportionately affects the neighborhood. Diamond Heights is a rare example of a planned community in San Francisco. Unlike most areas in San Francisco, it is one where some middle-class residents can purchase a home, typically the largest investment they will make in their lives. It is a neighborhood that includes renters and homeowners, Section 8 housing and owner-occupied dwellings, apartment buildings and freestanding homes.

Fourth, what unites this community is its natural beauty. Diamond Heights is a neighborhood of low-lying buildings and streets that follow the natural contours of the

landscape. Nor is its enjoyment limited to residents; people from all over the city and beyond visit Glen Canyon, now part of the Crosstown Trail. The recently updated Christopher Playground is a favorite of many families, including the children from across San Francisco who attend the three nearby preschools.

A ten-story tower is unthinkable in this environment. It is antithetical to the aesthetics of the community. It is likely to reduce home values and, most importantly, the quality of life for not only our neighbors, but all those who access the area.

In our digital age, connectivity is crucial. However, this is not the answer. As you examine this proposal, please consider the people and natural environment affected by it. AT&T can and should develop better solutions than the one presented here. Diamond Heights is not expendable. It is a vibrant community that deserves to be showcased, not blighted.

As a long-time resident and San Francisco voter and taxpayer, I add my voice to the others shared here. I urge you to reject the proposed project.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Edward Kamrin". The script is fluid and cursive, with the first letter of each word being capitalized and prominent.

Edward Kamrin
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From: [Chrisanne Bradley](#)
To: [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: AT&T Monopole in Glen Park Canyon
Date: Monday, December 1, 2025 3:24:20 PM
Attachments: [AT&T Tower - Diamond Heights -CBradley.pdf](#)

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Dear Board of Supervisors,

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the middle of a forest.

I respectfully urge the Board of Supervisors to: **Approve the CEQA appeal, overturn the exemption, and require a full Environmental Impact Report**—including a geotechnical analysis, alternatives evaluation, and review of potential citywide precedent.

Best Regards,
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July 14, 2025

Planner John Dacey | SF Planning Department

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Dear Planning Commissioner:

I'm writing to oppose the construction of the proposed 10-story cell tower by the Police Academy. I am a 22-year resident of Diamond Heights on Crag Court, and lived in other neighborhoods in the City for 16 years prior to that. We raised our kids in the '90s playing on the swings and much rougher-than-today playground at Christopher Park, running our dogs on the ball field and hiking with them through Glen Canyon, enjoying the community center, Silver Tree in the summer and the creek all year long. We garden and volunteer at Crag Court Community Garden which is an organic garden along with the Red Hen garden. Was there an environmental impact study done for this project? We love our neighborhood, the canyon and life up here in Diamond Heights.

Anyone who's been through the street reconstruction in Diamond Heights these past two summers can attest to the noise and physical dislocation that constructing a tower of this size will create. But beyond that, putting up a 104-foot-structure with its accompanying diesel-powered generator will severely impact life up here, by the canyon. It will tower above the tree line, impact our views of the canyon, create noise above the tennis courts and impact the day to day life of kids at the preschool, families playing on the new playground, neighbors by the ball field and below the tower by the canyon, and our own quality of life at the community garden.

Beyond that, the proposed tower poses a threat as a safety hazard. Its electrical equipment, 190-gallon diesel fuel tank and generator will sit at the base of a grove of eucalyptus trees. As we know all too well, eucalyptus are flammable and the high winds we see almost daily by the canyon could easily whip leaves and detritus up into the tower, posing a threat of fire. We've been spared fire in Glen Canyon for decades, through community vigilance and planning - and luck. Wireless antennas have been linked to fires in high winds in our state, and throughout the west. Now is not the time to press that luck, needlessly.

An earthquake could also topple the tower within a fall-radius of 104 feet. The playground, the canyon, the tennis courts, and the preschool are all at risk, in the event of this sort of incident.

There is no need for a structure this large in our residential neighborhood and the canyon, which so many residents and visitors to our city use, daily. There are other smaller scale options that should be used in this residential neighborhood. Please listen to the voices of our neighbors and the people who oppose this project, and table it for good.

Sincerely,

Chrisanne Bradley • 25 CRAGS COURT • SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94131 415.609.1207

From: aerate5376@mypacks.net
To: [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Re: SUPPORT-File No. 251094 - Appeal CEQA Class 3 Exemption and File No. C251098 Conditional Authorization
Use approval at 350 Amber Dr Project
Date: Monday, December 1, 2025 12:11:23 PM
Attachments: [Cell Tower Glen Canyon to Supervisors.pdf](#)
[Ian -Cell Tower Ltr to Supervisors.docx](#)

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Dear Members of the Board of Supervisors,

Please see the attached two letters regarding the proposed cell tower in Glen Canyon. Many thanks for your time and attention.

Sincerely,

Jay Wagner
Diamond Heights resident

Re: Proposed Monopole Cell Tower in Diamond Heights
Dear Supervisor Mandelman

Nov 25TH, 2025

Glen Canyon is one of the most beautiful, natural areas in San Francisco. It is stunningly unique with its creek, rock formations, carpets of wildflowers, trees, and coyote den. The canyon is filled with gorgeous birds including owls that nest there every year. This behemoth, 104-foot monopole monstrosity that is proposed just on the border of the canyon will be a hideous eyesore near this otherwise pristine wildlife area and will be visible from just about everywhere. There's no escaping the presence of this beast.

The canyon boasts many walking/ hiking trails. We, and many of our friends and neighbors, hike these trails and the Diamond Heights hills every single day. The canyon attracts visitors - both locals and world travelers. We all enjoy the peace and serenity this natural escape provides us.

Christopher Park is a wonderful green space that is also right next to the proposed tower site. It hosts many gatherings for both adults and children (including a nursery school), and provides a track for running and walking and a field for baseball, Tai Chi, and exercising...another neighborhood gem that would be negatively affected by this urban blight.

Besides all of the above, property values will surely plummet not only for those in very close proximity to the monopole, but to all of us in the neighborhood. Prices drop everywhere as the whole district is affected. More urban decay.

Then there are safety issues to consider: We are all concerned about the fire danger with a huge, extremely tall, electric monopole in very windy conditions next to the extensive dry brush and grass in the canyon and surrounding area. We also live in earthquake country so toppling is a concern as well – especially during heavy rains when surrounding trees routinely fall from over-saturated soil.

Glen Canyon is truly one of San Francisco's natural treasures. Please, please find somewhere else to erect this ugliness or at least please consider scaling down. For goodness' sake, not here in this sacred urban respite. Thank you.

Sincerely, Jay Wagner, Duncan St, San Francisco, CA

November 25th, 2025

Concerning: The proposed construction of AT&T's Macro Cell Tower in Diamond Heights.

Dear Supervisor Mandelman

In 1961 the area surrounding George Christopher Park was carefully and deliberately developed to enhance everyone's enjoyment of the many native plants and animals that inhabit Glen Canyon and its surrounding area. The residents and visitors to the area, free of traffic noise and pollution, have always been appreciative of the quiet, and careful to leave the natural life surrounding the park undisturbed.

The proposed Cell Tower will threaten an end to that peace and harmony between nature and human relations within the park area and its environs. Simply by its placement and construction, damage will be laid upon the wildlife due to its range of interference.

Beyond that, it is almost inevitable that a number of old trees will be felled to ensure the 'safety' of the tower from branches and falling trees.

However our (questionable) constant thrust for more technology is accommodated, I submit this site to be a most unsuitable location for such ambition. Please reconsider.

Ian J. James

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From: agenthandy@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Erin Denny](#)
To: [Somera, Alisa \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: I am writing to you today regarding the appeal of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) exemption at 350 Amber Dr Project
Date: Tuesday, November 25, 2025 9:17:58 AM

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Dear Dep Dir Leg Services Alisa Somera,

We do NOT want this tower. We are counting on you for support. The health hazards are scientifically documented. Please, as a scientist, this is not just fear mongering. I am not just afraid of tech or vaccines. This is a real risk. We are watching

I support the Diamond Hts neighbors' legitimate environmental and safety concerns. Please grant approval of the appeal for CEQA exemption for AT&T's proposed 104-foot wireless facility.

Allowing this "exemption" sets a dangerous precedent for all neighborhoods.

The proposed massive 10-story monopole built on a 500 sqft pad will extend 20 feet above the tree line, topped with a bulky electric macro antenna towering over George Christopher Park, next to Glen Canyon, and visible to residents throughout the neighborhood.

This is not a "small addition to an existing structure" nor a "new" structure! It is one of only two wireless antenna facilities over 100 feet high, and both are in commercial zones and attached to buildings and other less tall facilities are near freeways or in industrial areas.

There are NO free-standing towers of this height or bulk in residential neighborhoods or next to parks.

Location and unusual circumstances were not considered such as the critical natural resource of the Glen Canyon Park, and the unusual circumstances of history of the seismic landslide failures on the Site, the high potential of fire in the park and surrounding neighborhood and chemical hazards.

Glen Canyon Park is on the property line. It is designated as a SF "significant natural area" with many fragile examples of biodiversity-supporting native grasses, and sensitive bird species. It is a critical urban wildlife habitat. The forest and brush are an essential ecosystem. The tower construction will damage this sensitive environment and disrupt wildlife corridors (as will a fire or landslide).

Safety concerns - A national telecom wildfire consultant stated this location is a real telecom fire threat. The site is within a designated "wildfire/wildland urban interface areas" and will be built among the aging trees. A certified arborist stated: digging to place the pole in bedrock will likely damage the roots and kill the trees (adding to landslide risk). Diamond Hts is one of the windiest neighborhoods and had red flag warnings last year. Towers must be powered down before applying water and evacuating the homes, nursery schools, the playground and shopping will be chaotic. Adding to the fire danger is the required 190-gallon diesel backup generator, which must be tested regularly. It will cause air quality hazards for children at nearby nursery schools Christopher Playground.

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Massive structures like this do not belong in landslide and fire zones and adjacent to parks, playgrounds, and homes. Safety must be the priority of the Board of Supervisors. I urge you to grant the appeal of the CEQA exemption.

Sincerely,
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From: brianneschaeffer@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Brianne Schaeffer](#)
To: [Somera, Alisa \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: I am writing to you today regarding the appeal of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) exemption at 350 Amber Dr Project
Date: Wednesday, November 26, 2025 9:22:11 AM

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Sincerely,
Brianne Schaeffer

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From: msmkramer@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Matt Kramer](#)
To: [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: I am writing to you today regarding the appeal of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) exemption at 350 Amber Dr Project
Date: Sunday, November 30, 2025 6:15:10 PM

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From: [Jerri Carmo](#)
To: [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\)](#); [MandelmanStaff \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Proposed ATT MACRO TOWER
Date: Sunday, November 30, 2025 11:24:55 AM

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Dear Board of Supervisors -

Unfortunately I won't be able to attend in person the December 9, 2025 hearing regarding File No. 251094. Please consider this letter my strong representation and opposition to the proposed ATT Macro Tower in Diamond Heights. I am asking the Supervisors to overturn approval of the proposed 100-foot AT&T antenna tower. Before the September 25 Planning Commission meeting (see email below), I submitted comments that were never acknowledged, and my concerns remain valid. A ten-story structure like this is far **too intrusive** for a residential neighborhood zoned for four stories, and similar antennas of this size are located only in commercial or industrial areas—not next to parks or homes.

I believe this tower to be **completely not necessary**. There are alternative locations, less **intrusive** systems, and other ways to support FIRST NET. First responders are not required to use the FIRST NET network. The Commissioners were misled about this, and I see AT&T's primary motive as expanding market share, with the possibility of adding even more antennas later, increasing both bulk and safety risks to the detriment of SF citizens.

I also find this tower **not desirable** from a safety or environmental standpoint. It increases fire and landslide risks in a Wildland Urban Interface and seismic-hazard zone. It would harm the character of our neighborhood, blocking open skies and natural views, and it could negatively affect wildlife through radio-frequency exposure and collision hazards.

While AT&T will benefit from this project, it is **absolutely not desirable and of no benefit** for residents or for the parks and natural environment that define our community.

Respectfully,

Jerri Carmo
15 Red Rock Way, N-108
San Francisco, CA 95112

On Tue, Sep 23, 2025 at 9:44 PM Jerri Carmo <jerricarmo@gmail.com> wrote:

Planning Commissioners
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Vice Chair Kathrin Moore
Commissioners: Derek Braun, Gilbert Williams, Amy Campbell, Theresa Imperial

and Sean McGary

co: Commission Director Sarah Dennis-Phillips sarah.dennis-phillips@sfgov.org

co: commissions.secretary@sfgov.org

Dear Commissioners,

I have been a proud resident of Diamond Heights for 36 years. Our neighborhood is a vibrant, intergenerational community made up of both renters and homeowners. What makes Diamond Heights truly special is its unique location at the top of Glen Canyon—a rare urban oasis rich in bird and wildlife, where families gather, children play, and neighbors connect along the playground, baseball field, walking path, and beloved community garden.

I am writing to express that the proposed 104-foot AT&T MACRO Tower would irrevocably and detrimentally alter this cherished space.

The rendering provided in the Planning Commission packet is misleading. It suggests the tower would be distant from the southwest corner of Christopher Playground. In reality, the playground is compact, and the tower would visually dominate the area. Rather than gazing up at treetops, visitors would be confronted by a massive, industrial structure entirely out of place in this recreational setting.

Proponents claim the tower will be nestled among eucalyptus and pine trees, but many of these are old, unstable, and increasingly prone to failure. Nearby trees have already been removed by Recreation and Park due to breakage concerns—an issue worsened by Diamond Heights' frequent high winds. This creates serious safety hazards. A fallen tree or large branch could strike the tower, potentially sparking a fire. As we've seen during California's wildfires, communication infrastructure can contribute to ignition risk, especially during storms or earthquakes.

The addition of a 190-gallon diesel tank and generator at the base of the tower only compounds this danger. In a setting frequented by children, this poses a grave fire and air quality risk. The generator is expected to run during power outages, emitting noise and harmful pollutants near the playground and preschool—an unacceptable tradeoff in a space meant for health, recreation, and learning. This fire hazard is not just theoretical—it introduces constant anxiety for residents, potential liability for the city, and may increase already high property insurance rates, while simultaneously lowering property values.

The tower's 104-foot fall zone directly threatens multiple community assets, including the Police Academy, church, preschool, tennis courts, playground, and the

community garden. The associated electrical equipment proposed along Amber Drive would obstruct scenic views of the garden, diminishing one of Diamond Heights' most beloved public spaces. These impacts are not just aesthetic—they represent a degradation of our shared community experience.

One of Diamond Heights' defining features is its harmony with the natural environment. The neighborhood was intentionally designed with low-profile architecture to preserve canyon views and natural tranquility. A ten-story tower—20 feet taller than surrounding treetops and topped with 12 antennas and 9 radios—stands in stark contrast to this design vision. The structure will remain a glaring industrial intrusion, visible from streets, homes, condos, and even the canyon floor. No amount of camouflage will erase its presence—or its impact.

Finally, this is not just a local concern. Glen Canyon and Christopher Playground are citywide destinations. The Crosstown Trail brings hikers, families, and dog walkers from across San Francisco to this area. Erecting a massive MACRO Tower here would not only scar the landscape but diminish the experience for all who visit.

I urge you to reject this proposal. It is unnecessary, unsafe, and incompatible with the character, safety, and spirit of Diamond Heights. Please protect the integrity of this unique neighborhood and the surrounding natural beauty by voting no on the proposed AT&T MACRO Tower.

Respectfully,

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From: [TC](#)
To: [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Opposition to AT&T Diamond heights monopole. Sent now from MY email address. Same letter but with correct return email. Take 2
Date: Saturday, November 29, 2025 11:11:10 PM

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Yours Sincerely,

Terry Connor
814 Duncan St
94131

Sent from mobile

From: [BP](#)
To: [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Re: SUPPORT-File No. 251094 - Appeal CEQA Class 3 Exemption and File No. C251098 Conditional Authorization Use approval at 350 Amber Dr Project
Date: Saturday, November 29, 2025 11:04:12 PM

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Sent from mobile

From: [\[REDACTED\]](#)
To: [Mel Lammiman - AT&T](#)
Subject: Re: SUPPORT File No. 212394 - Appeal CDCA Class 3 Exemption and File No. C211008 Conditional Authorization Use approval at 700 Arden Dr Project
Date: Saturday, November 24, 2012 10:52:10 PM

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Dear Members of the Board of Supervisors:

I am a resident in district 8 and am on the Board of the Diamond Heights Community Association (DHCA). I'm writing you in my dual capacity as so many of my neighbors feel strongly about this but were not able to get letters out in a timely manner due to our appeal being accepted on short notice, just a few days ago, and their travel plans and/or Thanksgiving plans that made it challenging for them to meet the deadline required to have our letters distributed in your packets.

The proposed monopole is *enormous*—way too large at a location that is built on landfill, and next to a recreational park where plenty of kids are around daily, and at the edge of one of the most beautiful parks in S.F. It does NOT belong here as planned!

I'm against it because of legitimate environmental concerns: It's going to be built on landfill. It's a potential fire hazard, and the health and safety concerns are numerous and have been outlined in the presentation our neighbors have made known to our Supervisor, and at the Planning Commission hearing of Sept 25th.

At that hearing we lost by one vote. It was a nail biter. You could see that the commissioners were having a tough time deciding how to vote on this.

We believe AT&T can accomplish their goals to improve coverage by scaling this project way back, and/or finding alternative locations that will achieve their goals without the risks that this construction of a monopole will pose at a height of 20 feet above the tree-line, at the edge of both Christopher Park and Glen Park Canyons.

If built as ATT proposes, this behemoth of a tower would be the largest free-standing one in any residential area in the City.

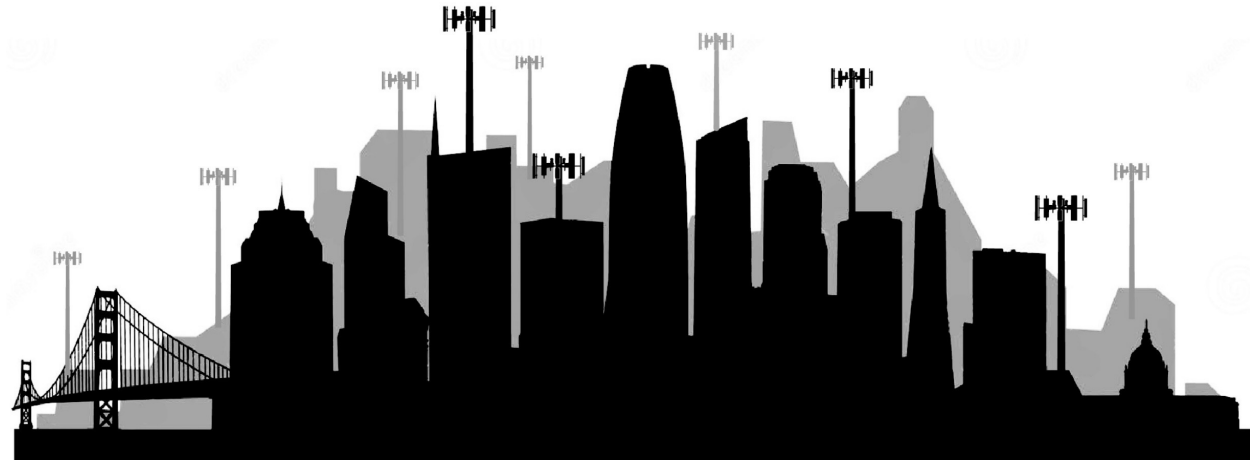
We're not against this technology and know that signals can be improved without putting this monopole up as is.

This is a huge cash-cow for AT&T, who will undoubtedly sublease the pole to other carriers with no permits needed once it's constructed, so that the monopole **will be even more of an eyesore** than we see in their renderings.

Further we believe this project does not meet the criteria of "necessary," as we have checked with the S.F. Police and Firefighters and have learned that First Net is not the method of communication they use to communicate or rely upon.

Allowing this "exemption" sets a precedent for all S.F. neighborhoods. We must keep in mind that the beauty of our Fair City is unique, and it's what makes us a world-class City. There should be no rush to approve this project as is.

There are NO free-standing towers of this height or bulk in residential neighborhoods or next to parks in the City. Do we want to be branded like this in the future?



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Safety must be the priority of the Board of Supervisors and with the technology that's coming at us so fast we barely have time to catch our breath and seriously consider the long-term consequences of what's at stake

Sincerely,

Betty Perkins
814 Duncan St
94131

Sent from mobile

From: [Terence Groeper](#)
To: [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: AT&T Monopole at 350 Amber Dr -- My continued opposition to this unnecessary and undesirable AT&T boondoggle!
Date: Saturday, November 29, 2025 9:08:52 PM
Attachments: [2025.06.21 T.Groeper Monopole Oposition Letter 2a.pdf](#)

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Supervisors,

Please find my attached comments which were made to the Planning Commission before the Sept 25 meeting and unacknowledged by four of the Commissioners at the Sept 25 hearing (the vote was 4:3). They are still relevant and important reasons why the approval of this massive antenna structure must be overturned. An antenna of this size (10 stories) in a neighborhood zoned for four stories, belongs in a commercial or industrial area NOT in a residential neighborhood. This would be the only antenna over 100 feet tall in a residential neighborhood, the 2 existing antennas are in commercial areas. Other tall (but not reaching 100') antennas are near freeways, BART stations, or attached to tall buildings and NOT adjacent to parks.

This huge electric structure which will be 20' above the tree line, is not "necessary" there are alternative locations and less intrusive antenna systems and alternative ways to boost "FIRST NET" (for First Responders) – which was the reason 4 of the Planning Commissioners cited as their excuse to approve the structure. For the record: Police and Fire do not require First Responders to use FIRST NET, the Commissioners were misled by AT&T. AT&T wants this massive structure to increase their market share AND to likely add antennas and a second layer of ugly antennas to other carriers on this structure – they recently stated they would not rule out adding more antennas (making the structure heavier, more bulky and greater risk for landslides and fire in our windy neighborhood).

It is not "desirable" from a safety perspective, it is a major fire risk in an Wildfire/Wildland Urban Interface Area and is an area identified on the SF Landslide-Seismic hazard map. It will change the character of the neighborhood known for its open skies, nature and views of the playground and canyon. The danger of fire and exposure to Radio Frequency Radiation is not desirable for the wildlife in the canyon, flora and birds and insects and according to the 1996 Telecommunications Act RFR standards are not considered under the definition of "environment" the way humans are, in fact RFR affects avian life at a much lower frequency than humans not to mention antenna collisions to a massive tower built in the middle of a forest.

Undoubtedly this is desirable for AT&T to build their corporate coffers, but it is NOT desirable at the expense of residents in a neighborhood whose parks and nature bring us together.

Sincerely,

Terence Groeper, 970 Duncan Street, 307F, San Francisco, CA 94131

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Terence Groeper
970 Duncan Street
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June 21, 2025

San Francisco Planning Department
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San Francisco, CA 94103

RE: Proposed 104-foot Monopole at 350 Amber Drive, San Francisco, CA 94131

Dear Commission Members,

Please be informed that I am expressing my opposition to the installation of an unsightly, 104-foot monopole in the Diamond Heights neighborhood, specifically in the Glen Canyon area of the San Francisco Police Academy at 350 Amber Drive.

This monstrosity, with nine antennas, will distract from the beautiful views in one of the most attractive neighborhoods in San Francisco, a neighborhood that is very welcoming to families, friends, neighbors, and tourists alike. In fact, it is one of the last open spaces in San Francisco. Our pristine neighborhood includes the spectacular Glen Canyon, with its abundant wildlife and hiking trails, the Christopher Playground, the Dog Park, and the Red Robin Community Garden. The proposed monopole would be seen from just about any spot in the neighborhood. It would thus negatively alter the prized visual landscape and vastly bring down the property value of our biggest financial asset, our places of residence. This is unacceptable.

Finally, a grassy canyon and tall trees surround the site of the proposed monopole. Combined with the high winds and the probability of an earthquake in the area, disaster would strike if the pole toppled or the antennas came loose, sparking a wildfire in the tinder dry canyon and trees.

For all of the aforementioned reasons, I urge you to reject the construction of the monopole in our lovely neighborhood. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Terence Groeper". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Terence Groeper.

From: [Tod Elkins](#)
To: [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\)](#); [Ho, Calvin \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Vote NO against ATT's proposed Glen Canyon Monopole, Dec 9 at the CEQA hearing!
Date: Saturday, November 29, 2025 5:53:37 PM

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Dear Supervisor Mandelman, Mr. Ho and the Board:

I am a 22-year resident of Diamond Heights on Crag Court, and lived in other neighborhoods in the City for 16 years prior to that. We raised our kids in the '90s playing on the swings and much rougher-than-today playground at Christopher Park, running our dogs on the ball field and hiking with them through Glen Canyon, enjoying the community center, Sliver Tree in the summer and the creek all year long. We garden and volunteer at Crag Court Community Garden. We love our neighborhood, the canyon and life up here in Diamond Heights.

I'm writing to oppose the construction of the proposed 10-story cell tower monopole by the Police Academy. Anyone who's been through the street reconstruction in Diamond Heights these past two summers can attest to the noise and physical dislocation that constructing a tower of this size will create. But beyond that, putting up a 104-foot-structure with its accompanying diesel-powered generator will severely impact life up here, by the canyon. It will tower above the tree line, impact our views of the canyon, create noise above the tennis courts and impact the day to day life of kids at the preschool, families playing on the new playground, neighbors by the ball field and below the tower by the canyon, and our own quality of life at the community garden.

Beyond that, the proposed tower poses a threat as a safety hazard. Its electrical equipment, 190-gallon diesel fuel tank and generator will sit at the base of a grove of eucalyptus trees. As we know all too well, eucalyptus are flammable and the high winds we see almost daily by the canyon could easily whip leaves and detritus up into the tower, posing a threat of fire. We've been spared fire in Glen Canyon for decades, through community vigilance and planning - and luck. Wireless antennas have been linked to fires in high winds in our state, and throughout the west. Now is not the time to press that luck, needlessly. Diesel fumes wafting down on the nursery school and Christopher Park, over patrons at Diamond Heights shopping center and neighbors in their homes, then sitting there in inversions, will be a health hazard.

An earthquake could also topple the tower within a fall-radius of 104 feet. The playground, the canyon, the tennis courts, and the preschool are all at risk, in the event of this sort of cataclysm.

ATT states that their proposed tower is desperately needed to provide emergency services. At the Planning Commission hearing I attended, 2 commissioners understood our point of view but were swayed by ATT's and the Police Academy's declaration of the need for ATT's FirstNet emergency service. Except, FirstNet isn't the only service available. Verizon has a similar product called FrontLine, and their network of microcells and smaller towers does not require the support of a giant monopole. Beyond that, SFPD has gone on record that it would not depend on something like FirstNet or FrontLine in the time of a critical emergency.

Finally, as former Supervisor Avalos has stated in his letter to the board, the proposed construction is not anything like what CEQA is designed for. It's not a small addition; it's a huge new project that will tower over the canyon, built on questionably seismically safe ground, without even an extant main power source as we speak. The project is currently half-baked, and doesn't fit either the parameters of CEQA, the environment of the canyon or the needs and wishes of the community.

There is no need for a structure this large in our residential neighborhood and the canyon, which so many residents and visitors to our city use, daily. Please listen to the voices of our neighbors and the people who oppose this project, and table it for good.

Sincerely yours,

Tod Elkins
25 Craggs Court
San Francisco, CA 94131

From: elevationman@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Kevin Oconnor](#)
To: [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: I am writing to you today regarding the appeal of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) exemption at 350 Amber Dr Project
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Thank you for your time and attention to this important issue, Supervisor Melgar.

Sincerely,
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From: mahaliakmiller@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Mahalia miller](#)
To: [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: I am writing to you today regarding the appeal of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) exemption at 350 Amber Dr Project
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Mahalia miller

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From: ortega.jennifer@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Jennifer Ortega](#)
To: [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: I am writing to you today regarding the appeal of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) exemption at 350 Amber Dr Project
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From: atullyspc@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Andy Tully](#)
To: [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: I am writing to you today regarding the appeal of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) exemption at 350 Amber Dr Project
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From: bmooneysf@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Elizabeth Mooney](#)
To: [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: I am writing to you today regarding the appeal of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) exemption at 350 Amber Dr Project
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From: patriciatsao@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Patricia Tsao](#)
To: [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: I am writing to you today regarding the appeal of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) exemption at 350 Amber Dr Project
Date: Wednesday, November 26, 2025 7:39:35 PM

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As a neighbor who visits Glen Canyon regularly and works on grassland habitat restoration, I support the Diamond Hts neighbors' legitimate environmental and safety concerns. Please grant approval of the appeal for CEQA exemption for AT&T's proposed 104-foot wireless facility. Allowing this "exemption" sets a dangerous precedent for all neighborhoods.

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From: purchases@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [david stein](#)
To: [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: I am writing to you today regarding the appeal of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) exemption at 350 Amber Dr Project
Date: Wednesday, November 26, 2025 6:13:55 PM

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Dear Legislative Services,

Dear Rafael,

If it is true that there are NO free-standing towers of this height or bulk in residential neighborhoods or next to parks, then please decline the request and preserve this natural area.

Mini towers are very popular, and I hope you will utilize those, or something else that will both suffice and fit in with the environs well.

Thank you!

Sincerely,
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From: antispila@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Candace Low](#)
To: [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: I am writing to you today regarding the appeal of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) exemption at 350 Amber Dr Project
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To: [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: I am writing to you today regarding the appeal of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) exemption at 350 Amber Dr Project
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From: [Betsy Eddy](#)
To: [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\); lisa.somera@sfgov.org](#)
Subject: Fwd: Letter to overturn Planning approval of cell phone at 350 Amber Drive
Date: Wednesday, November 26, 2025 12:22:45 PM
Attachments: [Appeal Request to Mandelman 11-26-25 .docx](#)
[Susan Foster 10-23-25.pdf](#)
[Susan Foster letter on fire risk to SF Planning 7-14-25.pdf](#)
[Evelyn Rose Response ATT Monotower DiamondHeights ERose 12July2025.pdf](#)
[Geotechnical Investigation for SFUSD 1999.pdf](#)
[landslide map Blue dot location of ATT proposed MACRO Tower SF Seismic Hazard Map \(1\).docx](#)

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Hi BOS Legislative Staff,

I had trouble emailing my letter to Board President Mandelman for the 350 Amber CEQA. Please see the forwarded message that I sent at 11:46. I hope this info still meets the due time.

2 more attachments are below.

Thank you,

Betsy Eddy
415-867-5774

----- Forwarded message -----

From: Betsy Eddy <betsy.eddy@gmail.com>
Date: Wed, Nov 26, 2025 at 11:46 AM
Subject: Letter to overturn Planning approval of cell phone at 350 Amber Drive
To: Rafael Mandelman <rafael.mandelman@sfgov.org>, Mandelman Staff
<mandelmanstaff@sfgov.org>, <BoSlegislation@sfgov.org>

Hi Supervisor Mandelman and Board of Supervisors Legislation Staff

Please find attached a letter listing reasons that Planning Commission approval of a 10-Story monopole on Police Academy must be overturned for safety issues.

More attachments will be forwarded

Respectfully,

Betsy Eddy
Former Diamond Heights Community Association President

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San Francisco, CA 94102

November 26, 2025

RE: Request to Overturn SF Planning Approval of CEQA and CUA **2024-004318SHD 350**
Amber Drive

Dear Board President Mandelman,

As President of the Board of Supervisors, it is vital that you vote to overturn Planning's approval of CEQA and CUA at the Planning hearing on September 25, 2025. You know well our concerns that AT&T proposes to build the 10-story monopole on unstable land next to a seismic landslide zone in an earthquake. The cell phone tower would detract from the natural beauty and views from our hilltop Diamond Heights. See photo of a similar monopole.

Though you are concerned that AT&T would sue the City if their permit is denied, two attorneys have told us that if AT&T would sue, that AT&T would not be awarded damages and the only repercussion would be that AT&T would receive the permit. The City would probably have to pay attorneys' fees.

The SF Planning Commission voted 4-3 to approve the AT&T macro tower on 9-25-25. Approval by 4 Commissioners centered on AT&T staff saying, that FirstNet - an AT&T product, was needed for first responders in emergencies. A letter from Sheriff Miyamoto was texted to President Linda So supporting the approval because of the need for FirstNet just as the Commissioners were in discussion before voting. At our Diamond Heights Community Association (DHCA) meeting on 10-15-25, Fire Chief Crispen and SFPD Capt. Gerald Newbeck stated that FirstNet was not mandated by the SFFD and SFPD though some firefighters and police officers had it on their phones. They also said that 911 calls from anywhere in Diamond Heights from any cell phone company would reach 911 Dispatch.

You understand the fire dangers that residents in Diamond Heights watch for everyday in our fire prone, windy neighborhood. In 2018 you convened a Town Hall on *Fire Danger in our*

Neighborhood Parks. Following a fire in June 2021 caused by fireworks that spread to a backyard in Diamond Heights, not far from the Police Academy, Lt. Jonathan Baxter, SFFD Information Officer, is quoted in an ABC News video saying, "The whole neighborhood could have burned down. That is the reality!"

Another important issue is that the FCC is currently requesting comments on legislation that basically states that any telecom company can place cell phone antennas most anywhere they want. I do not think San Francisco would want 10-story cell phone antennas all over residential areas. The proposed macro tower would be within 300' of residences, 20' of two parks, two-day care centers and the Diamond Heights Shopping Center.

Just last week, I learned that the SF General Plan calls for the Police Academy to move to another location. Would the property be resellable with a 10-story cell phone tower on it? If the property is left vacant, who would monitor for fires ignited in the telecom equipment and for vandalism? The monopole, though within 20 feet of George Christopher Playground and Glen Canyon Park, would be blocked off from public view by the Police Academy buildings and trees surrounding the back parking lot. Vacant property around the monopole would be a safety hazard and fire risk.

Public Safety and Environmental Risks

- There is slippage danger due to 60-90' of fill under the proposed site. 2 million cubic yards of dirt and rock were leveled off from the tops of Gold Mine Hill and Red Rock Hill to make a flat area for the Diamond Heights Shopping Center, George Christopher Playground, and the Police Academy. See Geotechnical Study 1999, page 5 and Evelyn Rose letter dated 7-12-25. AT&T has not explained the underpinning of a 104' monopole that could weigh up 10 tons.
- The Diamond Heights Elementary school was closed in 1976 due to soil slippage and potential collapse in an earthquake.
- The location is directly adjacent to a landslide hazard in an earthquake. See SF Seismic Hazards Zones Map - <https://data.sfgov.org/-/San-Francisco-Seismic-Hazard-Zones/7ahv-68ap>. A view of the landslide hazard is attached.
- In Fall 2024, SF Rec and Park replaced a collapsing retaining wall on a trail directly below the planned site at the cost of \$200,000. We think ground water seepage contributed to the damage to the wall.
- According to the attached Geotechnical Study, "The degree of water saturation in the fill was 60 per cent in 1960-61 but has now grown to over 90 per cent...The increased moisture changes the density of the fill causing it to consolidate because of the extra weight of the water." (page 5)
- According to an arborist, deep digging to install the monopole will likely kill roots of nearby trees further destabilizing the ground under the site.

Fire Risk

- 190-gallon diesel fuel tank for backup generation could be damaged in an earthquake or fire. Required testing would contaminate the air and soil with dangerous toxins.

- Site is in a high wind area among many older trees including nearby eucalyptus trees that could spread sparks quickly as in the Oakland Hills fire in 1991 that trapped and killed 25 people. Combustible eucalyptus trees spread the fire and increased the intensity of the fire heat.
- If a fire starts in the equipment, PG&E would have to turn off the electricity and appear on site to confirm that the grid was off. Then the tower would have to deactivate for up to an hour before firefighters could start fighting the fire in the telecom equipment. See Susan Foster letter 10-23-25.
- A fire could quickly spread to the Canyon, to the many homes adjacent and to the George Christopher Playground. Evacuation on a weekday when up to 4 preschools are present would be challenging, chaotic, and disastrous.
- 4 large fires in southern CA, started in telecom facilities. One of the fires, the Woolsey Fire, killed 3 people and caused \$6B in property damage. See Susan Foster letter 7-14-25.

Approving a massive structure 20 feet above the tree line (which will allow AT&T to load even more antennas) in a small residential neighborhood that is unique for its views, closeness to nature, and open space, sends a message that SF appointed and elected officials are more concerned about prioritizing corporate interests over long-time residents and homeowners safety and well-being.

Please help us stop the 10-story cell phone tower by voting to overturn the Planning Commissioners' approval in order to protect our neighborhood safety.

Grateful for your service to Diamond Heights and San Francisco.

Betsy Eddy

Former DHCA President

Coordinator for Resilient Diamond Heights

Coordinator for the Diamond Heights Blvd. Median Project

SUSAN FOSTER
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LYONS, CO 80540

October 23, 2025

Dear President Rafael Mandelman and Honorable Supervisors:

Re: Conditional Use Permit and CEQA exemption appeals for ATT Macro Tower at 350 Amber Drive SF CA 94131

1) I, Susan Foster, am an Honorary Firefighter with the San Diego Fire Department. I have worked with firefighters in California and across the country for more than two decades. I worked with Tony Simmons, PE, a professional electrical engineer licensed in the states of Nevada and California, as well as attorney W. Scott McCollough. The three of us were hired to create a Fire Safety Protocol for telecommunications equipment in Malibu, California following two telecom equipment-initiated fires causing damages of over \$6 billion between the 2007 Malibu Canyon Fire and the 2018 Woolsey Fire.

2) I confirm that a wireless facility may cause electrical fires which are very difficult to extinguish using conventional means. Firefighters do not typically fight fires on energized electrical equipment with water because of the severe risk of electrocution. The grid must be cut first, a process that can take up to one hour. Firefighters can only stand by and protect the perimeter until a utility representative appears on scene to confirm the power has been cut.

2) I confirm that the 104' wireless facility proposed at 350 Amber Drive next to a grove of 90-foot eucalyptus trees, Glen Canyon Park, a children's playground, and other residential places, presents a significant fire hazard that would be extraordinarily challenging, if not impossible, to extinguish, and which may endanger life, safety, and destroy properties nearby.

3) I authored the November 17, 2022, LA County White Paper and co-authored the Malibu White Paper, February 16, 2022, with Tony Simmons, PE. I stand by and concur with opinions regarding the fire hazards caused by wireless facilities that are detailed in these papers.

4) I believe that the same fire risks and hazards described in the Malibu and LA County White Papers authored by myself and subject matter expert Tony Simmons, PE are equally applicable and reasonably foreseeable, if not even more probable, at the 350 Amber Dr. location in San Francisco, CA in light of its sensitive surroundings and the adjacent grove of eucalyptus trees.



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July 14, 2025

To: San Francisco Planning Commissioners
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Chair So, Vice-Chair Moore, & Commissioners Braun, Williams, Campbell, Imperial, McGarry:
Cc: Commission Exec. Director, Commission Secretary, John Darcey Planner, Department of
Recreation

RE: OPPOSE: ATT *proposed telecommunication facility at 350 Amber Drive in Diamond Heights
Neighborhood*

I am a Fire and Utility Consultant, an Honorary Firefighter with the San Diego Fire Department, and I have worked with attorneys on telecommunications ordinances including fire prevention from 2001 to the present. Most recently, the unanimously passed Malibu Resolution 21-17 for macro towers on private property included our Fire Safety Protocol for all macro towers coming into Malibu. The City Council applied this to small cells, as well. I was the co-author with electrical engineer Tony Simmons, PE of the Fire Safety Protocol. We require all applicants submit eight electrical engineering design plans signed and sealed by a telecommunications electrical engineer guaranteeing their safety. This is the only city in the country that has this requirement.

Why was our team brought in? This is the city that has burned twice at the hands of telecom. In 2007 the Malibu Canyon Fire was caused by multiple carriers, including AT&T, overloading Southern California Edison utility poles. Three poles snapped in the Santa Ana winds and ignited the grass below. In 2018, the Woolsey Fire was started, in whole or in part, by electrical equipment belonging to a small telecommunications company that was incorporated into Southern California Edison.

In May 2018 a telecommunications inspector noticed some of the telecommunications equipment was broken and had lost its ground. The telecommunications inspector failed to mark this repair as urgent. In November 2018 this equipment, still in dangerous disrepair, was a significant part of the 2-part ignition source that caused the Woolsey Fire. Combined those fires caused over \$6 billion in damages. Some burn scars from homes that were destroyed remain to this day.

I'm sure you are aware that the Palisades Fire destroyed one-third of Malibu in January. Even though the Palisades Fire was not telecommunications-related, its destruction on the heels of two devastating fires heightens the vulnerability faced by the whole of California.

Macro towers do pose a fire risk. These fires can be due to deficient structural engineering or electrical engineering. Many of these fires are covered up by the telecommunications industry. I have worked with the firefighters of California for over two decades. I am aware that firefighting equipment worth millions of dollars is sometimes gifted to stations that do not submit fire incident reports on macro tower fires. No government agency is keeping track of these fires and some within the telecommunications industry do their best to cover them up.

When the carrier reads my letter, they will know exactly what I am referring to.

You have heard for years now that cell towers cannot be denied placement based on health concerns. However, what you may be unaware of based on self-serving advice from industry-leaning attorneys/consultants, is that safety is yours to regulate. Safety also means taking great care to ensure electrical and structural engineering rigor with respect to cell towers.

Safety is taking care to have appropriate setbacks from property and densely populated buildings like schools, neighborhoods, daycare centers and highly flammable parks. People need time to escape from a cell tower fire. Every cell tower is an electrical device, and every electrical device is going to fail. One of the likely consequences of electrical failure is fire. When a cell tower catches on fire, it cannot be extinguished through conventional means. Anyone putting water on a fire before the grid has been cut may be electrocuted. Cutting the grid can take between 30 and 60 minutes.

AT&T carries the FirstNET signal, FirstNET is for emergency services communication. All cell towers carrying emergency services communication must adhere to APCO ANSI 2.106.1-2019. This requirement consists of 15-pages of structural engineering requirements for site hardening for any structure that is going to convey emergency services communication. That is required by the federal government.

It is my understanding that the proposed AT&T site for this macro tower is on landfill. From a structural engineering point of view this does not make sense. In fact, it is a dangerous location.

It is also my understanding that the proposed site is adjacent to a park with abundant, flammable grass and it is surrounded by eucalyptus trees. From a fire perspective, I cannot think of a worse location. Eucalyptus trees are highly flammable and when they burn, they literally explode. Under Santa Ana or El Diablo conditions those embers may be carried for 2 - 3 miles. With low humidity and abundant dry fuel, a wind event would enable embers to ignite new fires miles ahead of the main fire front.

I would also point out that in the immediate and nearby neighborhoods which includes a children's playground, a veterinary hospital, a daycare/nursery, the police academy, a drugstore and countless homes, many would have an extremely difficult time exiting the neighborhood(s) if this macro tower catches on fire. Multiple neighbors with the close by, some within 500 feet.

Additionally, an electrical fire can take the temperature inside a macro tower to 4000° in less than a second. Temperatures of an arc flash inside the tower can reach as much as 35,000 °F. This is three times the estimated temperature of the sun's surface.

I will give you an example of what can happen to a macro tower when there is an electrical fire inside the cell tower. In March 2021, a Chula Vista, California fire was caused by an AT&T cell tower that was partially concealed in a light fixture around a track at Otay Ranch High School. The tower burst into flames at 7:30 PM on a Tuesday evening. The Fire Incident Report was obtained through a CPRA request. The area of origin was within the equipment; the heat source was "electrical arcing." When the fire department arrived, the 100-ft pole appeared to have an internal fire that traveled up the pole to the cell phone equipment and stadium lighting at the top of the pole. Firefighters maintained a safe distance until they could verify all power supply to the pole had been secured. As they were waiting for the representative from SDG&E to arrive to confirm the power had been cut, the heat of the fire due to arcing caused the steel pole to become molten plasma. It collapsed onto the bleachers near the football field, burning the track, and destroying the bleachers.

Because the grid must be cut before a cell tower fire can be extinguished through conventional means, a fire from this proposed cell tower fire could literally consume the adjacent neighborhood and the above-named vulnerable populations before people have a chance to evacuate. Safety must be your primary concern.

The FCC has repeatedly stated that safety belongs to the municipalities to regulate. *In the Matter of Acceleration of Broadband Deployment by Improving Wireless Facilities Siting Policies; Acceleration of Broadband Deployment: Expanding the Reach and Reducing the Cost of Broadband Deployment by Improving Policies Regarding Public Rights of Way and Wireless Facilities Siting; 2012 Biennial Review of Telecommunications Regulations*, 29 FCC Rcd 12865, 12945, ¶188 (2014)

After scrutinizing engineering designs on applications coming into the cities where we have worked, our team engineer determined approximately 80% of the engineering designs for macro towers and small cells were deficient.

Our team working in Malibu – W. Scott McCollough, former Texas Assistant Attorney General for Telecommunications & Utilities, engineer Tony Simmons, P.E., and I, after extensive research, linked four major fires to telecommunications equipment within the last 15 years in Southern California alone, costing well over \$6 billion in damages. In brief these fires are:

- Guejito Fire (2007) in San Diego which merged into the explosive Witch Creek Fire.
- Malibu Canyon Fire (2007).
- Woolsey Fire in Malibu & LA County (2018) which burned for one month, took the lives of three people trying to escape.
- Silverado Fire in Irvine (2020).

It is particularly germane to note that in the Malibu Canyon Fire, AT&T was directly involved in the initiation of this 2007 fire. The California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) accused all parties the CPUC found to be negligent in the initiation of the Malibu Canyon Fire to have impeded the fire investigation.

These parties included: Southern California Edison (SCE), AT&T, Verizon, Sprint (now T-Mobile) and NextG, now owned by Crown Castle. Because AT&T, Verizon and Sprint admitted to their participation in the initiation of the fire without having to litigate, the CPUC and the Safety and Enforcement Division (SED) were more critical of and punitive with SCE and NextG.¹

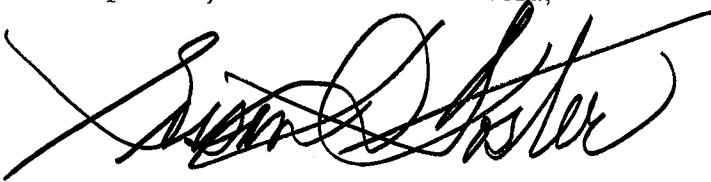
It should be of great significance to the San Francisco Planning Commission that the CPUC accused all parties – including AT&T – in the Malibu Canyon Fire of failing to cooperate fully in the fire investigation. If the parties are negligent in the first place, and fail to cooperate in or purposely impede the fire investigation, how can they be trusted with respect to fire safety going forward?

We are supposed to learn from mistakes whether it be structural overloading which falls under the umbrella of civil engineering, or an electrical design flaw which falls under electrical engineering. If mistakes are corrected, there is a greater level of trust for that party going forward. When the California Public Utilities Commission accuses all parties including AT&T of impeding the investigation, from a fire safety vantage point, trust is lost.

Please find two attachments. One is an aerial view of the proposed tower location, and another is titled "Monopole location". Both assisted me in making the best fire safety assessment with routes of egress in mind, and the nearby population in mind, as well. One of the most difficult evacuations involves young children. Please keep this vulnerable population at the top of your safety priority list as you make your critical decision.

Cell towers do cause fires, and I cannot emphasize enough how dangerous it is in this location surrounded by eucalyptus trees with a foliage filled canyon on one side and a cluster of densely populated areas on the other. Fires do occur when towers collapse for structural insecurity, and a cell tower of this height with the required ancillary equipment may present significant structural challenges in the future because they would be built on landfill. I do not know if the site could pass the required APCO ANSI 2.106.1-2019 protocol. The carrier may not have told you about this protocol, but the federal government requires it.

Respectfully submitted for the record,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Susan Foster", with a large, sweeping flourish extending from the end of the name.

SUSAN FOSTER
Honorary Firefighter SDFD
Fire & Utility Consultant

Attachments (2)

¹ DECISION CONDITIONALLY APPROVING THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON COMPANY SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT REGARDING THE MALIBU CANYON FIRE, BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA, Decision 13-09-028 September 19, 2013.



July 12, 2025

To: The San Francisco Planning Commission, commissions.secretary@sfgov.org

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Rafael Mandelman, President, San Francisco Board of Supervisors, mandelmanstaff@sfgov.org

Re: 350 Amber Drive, San Francisco, CA (7521/005)
Record Number: 2024-004318CUASHD
For the Planning Commission Conditional Use Authorization Hearing, July 24, 2025

Dear Honorable Commissioners,

The site in Diamond Heights selected for AT&T's 10-story-tall macro wireless tower is on unstable ground – *literally*. The entire project should be **red tagged** now, before construction begins because it does not appear that AT&T has performed the necessary due diligence.

At a minimum, a 10-story tower in an intentionally designed low-profile neighborhood with zoning that does not exceed 4 stories is antithetical to the Modernist architectural integrity of the Diamond Heights community. And for AT&T to have held only one community meeting – 15 months ago – is hardly sufficient. Additional community meetings should have been held to ensure that the entire community was made aware of the project in a timely fashion and could make their voices heard.

Moreover, has the San Francisco Fire Department reviewed placement of a nearly 200-gallon tank of diesel fuel within a grove of highly flammable eucalyptus trees? If not, they should.

In addition, AT&T makes no statement about the noise pollution that could be created on a nearly continuous basis, given the frequency of high winds that will be blowing around the large, multiple components attached to the tower. Diamond Heights, like most of San Francisco, is *very windy*, with frequent gusts often averaging about 35+ mph. In fact, according to a recent report in the San Francisco Chronicle, the months of May and June have grown “*measurably windier across the Bay Area*” over the past decade.² With climate change already underway, these numbers will likely continue to increase in intensity and frequency. Winds blowing around the macro wireless tower could certainly negatively impact the natural soundscape of Diamond Heights.

However, my primary concern is the short- and long-term safety of this ill-conceived placement. **AT&T is proposing to build their 10-story-tall tower on landfill that is known for slippage.**

The map on page 1 of the AT&T document identified as the *Plans for 350 Amber Drive* incorrectly marks the flat area of landfill supporting Christopher Park as Gold Mine Hill.³ While Gold Mine Hill is solid bedrock, it does not begin until beyond the southern border of Christopher Park, on the opposite side of the park from the Police Academy. The proposed macro wireless tower is on *landfill*, not Gold Mine Hill.

The San Francisco Police Academy at 350 Amber Drive is currently located in buildings originally constructed for Diamond Heights Elementary School. **On June 16, 1976, the San Francisco Examiner reported,**⁴

*“Schools Supt. Robert Alioto said today he will ask the school board to **close nine year old Diamond Heights Elementary School immediately because it is sinking and sliding down the hill.** Soil engineers say the landfill under the school is subsiding by 1-1/2 inches per year and is moving*



horizontally at a rate of 3 inches per year. George Hervert, a geotechnical engineer, speculated that groundwater from the surrounding hills, may be responsible for the slide. The San Francisco Redevelopment Agency originally graded and filled the site in 1964.” [Also see Attachment A]

In fact, 2 million cubic yards of dirt and rock had been removed from the tops of Gold Mine Hill to the south and Red Rock Hill to the north to regrade the saddle between the hills and to infill decommissioned rock quarries (as shown [in this aerial view, taken August 15, 1960](#), San Francisco Public Library). Filling in the saddle that dipped between Gold Mine and Red Rock Hills created the large flat area for the development of a “*Neighborhood Center*,” including the shopping center and Diamond Heights Elementary School.^{5,6}

Cracks started developing in the new school building, completed in 1966, within three years of its construction when it was first noted “*to be sinking*.”⁷ As many as 500 students needed to be urgently redistributed to other schools across the city because the building “*might not be safe in an earthquake*.”^{8,9}

Engineers explained that the sinking and sliding of the landfill was due to increased water moisture in the soil.¹⁰ “*The degree of water saturation in the fill was 60 per cent in 1960-61, but has now grown to over 90 per cent...The increased moisture changes the density of the fill causing it to consolidate because of the extra weight of the water. And that, in turn, causes whatever is built on it to sink and slide.*”¹⁰

The release of underground water via aquifers, especially during heavy winter rains, has continued to plague the infill and adjacent hillside and retaining wall descending into Glen Canyon well into the 21st century ([as shown here](#)), with trail repair and rerouting required as recently as the past 10 years (see [Community Workshop 3, Priority Map](#), San Francisco Recreation and Parks, September 2013).

It was determined in 1976 that the two-story (south) wing of the school was no longer safe for occupancy and could no longer be used.^{10,11} However, the one-story wing had stopped sinking and it was decided it could be used safely. In 1985, the San Francisco Board of Supervisors agreed to purchase the vacated elementary school and convert the single-story wing into the Police Academy.^{9,12}

AT&T states that it plans to construct the macro wireless tower immediately south and adjacent to the two-story south building of the former Diamond Heights Elementary School. In the plans provided, and despite showing the foundation in their drawings, **AT&T is completely silent on how the 104-foot-tall tower will be anchored into the ground**, how the foundation will be constructed, and how deep into the ground it will go. There is also **no mention of a report describing the geology of the area.**

According to Timothy Riddiough, Professor of Real Estate and Urban Land Economics, University of Wisconsin, Madison, a monopole “...*structure is permanently attached to a foundation that is embedded deep into the ground. The weight of a typical monopole foundation is over a quarter-million pounds.*”¹⁴ In an additional note, Riddiough states, “*A typical monopole foundation pad measures 26 by 26 by 2.5 feet, or 1,650 cubic feet, not counting the columnar portion of the foundation that is integrated into the pad. Concrete weighs approximately 150 pounds per cubic foot.*”¹⁴ Note that Riddiough only discusses the weight for a foundation pad and does not include the thousands of additional pounds attributable to the pole and antenna, surge suppressor, radio units, mounts, and other attachments.

Why has ground installation not been discussed by AT&T? Excavation of deep holes for the concrete foundation and underground power trench will only serve to further destabilize the surrounding landfill. This places the stability of the school structures and adjacent retaining wall into Glen Canyon at risk.



Once constructed, as winds blow and the macro wireless tower vibrates, the landfill may unsettle further over time, destabilizing not only the tower but also the 190-gallon tank of diesel fuel. These effects will be exacerbated by continuous water release from underground aquifers, especially during the rainy season, as well as earthquakes. Should the diesel tank tip over because of instability, it will pollute the eastern wall of Glen Canyon, a designated Significant Natural Resource Area, or it may result in a fire that will endanger local structures.

According to Riddiough, *"Once in place, towers are difficult and expensive to remove."*¹⁴ Therefore, **the only mitigation for the safety hazards highlighted above is to not construct the tower in the first place.**

The AT&T plan for Diamond Heights should be rejected, based on the arguments above. **If built, the tower and diesel tank could also "sink and slide,"** just like the school buildings to its immediate north.¹¹ It seems the more logical and safer alternative with 360° unrestricted coverage would be to construct the monotower on the adjacent hills immediately to the north, ie, Twin Peaks, where radio and mobile facilities are already located, constructed on abundant, easily accessible bedrock.

Thank you in advance for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Evelyn Rose". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Evelyn" and last name "Rose" clearly distinguishable.

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Enc. (Attachment A)

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Glen Park Neighborhoods History Project

Glen Park Glen Canyon Park Sumpside
Fairmount Heights Diamond Heights
San Francisco, California

Attachment A.

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City strike finale: 'Clerical errors' and more pay

By Russ Cox
City Affairs Writer

The final, somewhat anticlimactic episode of the 36-day craft worker strike was staged this morning in the chambers of the San Francisco Board of Supervisors.

The strike ended last May 7 with an agreement that a fact-finding committee composed of the mayor, five supervisors and five labor leaders would settle all remaining disputes.

That committee reported in today, after 36 hours of deliberations over a six week period, with something short of unanimity.

Instead of a single report from the joint fact-finding committee,

there came a handful.

Two of the reports—one from Mayor Moscone and one from the supervisors' contingent on the panel—seemed likely to produce some modest restoration of the \$3.3 million a year in pay cuts which supervisors last March voted out to 1,700 craft workers.

The only justification they could find for any additional pay for the workers was to declare "clerical errors" made in certain job categories.

By correcting these errors they proposed to give slightly more pay than granted in the City's annual wage ordinance to some craft workers.

To do anything but make corrections of "clerical errors" in the already adopted wage ordinance would require declaration of an emergency by the mayor and the board of supervisors.

Separate reports were filed by representatives of the plumbers, machinists and laborers unions to the fact-finding committee.

Labor leaders generally denounced the mayor and the supervisors for failing to hammer out a joint report.

"Once again, we have been denied the right to a fair hearing," said Joseph O'Sullivan, head of the San Francisco Building Trades Council.

Stanley Smith, head of the Carpenters Union, called the submission of separate fact-finding reports "a flagrant violation" of the agreement which settled the strike.

Plumbers Union leader Joseph Mazzola declared that the pay cuts voted out to some craft unions constituted "a super crime in this day and age."

"A lot of you got in a awful lot to be guilty of," he angrily told the supervisors.

The "clerical error" wage adjustments recommended by Mayor Moscone and the supervisors on the committee would increase the cost of the wage package by something between a quarter and a half million dollars.

construction — operating engineers, plasterers, electricians, plumbers — and for painters, who are often required to work on exterior scaffolds.

He also suggested an increase in the wage level of maintenance machinists and more money for electrical transit mechanics to bring their pay into line with automotive mechanics.

Moscone offered seven recommendations for future dealings with craft unions, noting "both sides have a lot to learn in how to properly manage the integration of craft unions into the charter wage section governing other city workers."

Supervisors should closely consult with organized labor in preparing a November charter amendment that is supposed to sharply define the term "prevailing wage" and reduce the area left for future wage discussions, he said.

The mayor also urged the board to repeal its so-called gag rule ordinance which, during — as negotiations, prohibits the mayor, the board or members of their staffs from discussing wage issues individually with labor leaders.

He asked the Civil Service Commission to draw up more realistic requirements for craft workers and to restate the so-called bench marks in regard to wages of power line operators, roofers, tile and shade and drapery workers.

He also recommended something that his arch opponent, Supervisor John Barbagelata, has recommended in the past — namely that the City phase out some of the craft jobs where it employs only one to a dozen persons and put that work out to private contract.

The supervisors' contingent submitted a report that parallels in many instances Moscone's findings of clerical errors that would provide some additional money for the

craft workers.

But the supervisors concluded that "no facts of sufficient substance were present" during the 36 hours of fact-finding meetings over the last six weeks "that would warrant a recommendation...to revise the salary ordinance."

The supervisors did not calculate the cost of the changes they recommended, but their list of clerical error corrections to be made included:

- An extra \$4 a day for truck drivers when they handle raw sewage or dangerous chemicals.
- An extra 75 cents an hour for plumbers when they work underground.
- An extra 20 cents an hour for laborers when working underground.
- An extra \$2.50 a day for hotel carriers working in live sewage.
- An extra 75 cents an hour for sheet metal workers working from a boat's chair.

Muni subway car shorts out in shock test

A circuit breaker in one of three newly-designed rail cars for the San Francisco Municipal Railway malfunctioned during shock tests, causing a trolley vein to melt. It was reported yesterday.

The incident occurred during testing at a federal facility in Pueblo, Colo.

The cars are the first of 100 ordered by the Muni for eventual runs in the Market Street subway.

The sad and strange slide of Diamond Heights school

By Nancy Dowley
Education Writer

School Supt. Robert Alito will ask the school board next week to close Diamond Heights Elementary School because it is both sinking and sliding down the hill on which it is built.

Alito said soil engineers estimate the landfill under the school is subsiding at the rate of one-and-a-half inches a year and is moving horizontally at the rate of three inches a year.

He recommended the closing because of the "unstable soil condition and the hazard to the safety of the building and its occupants."

Since the school was built nine years ago, it has settled a total of nine inches.

"The school is both sliding and sinking," Alito said.

"There is no other alternative but to close the school."

Located at 350 Amber Drive, at the foot of Twin Peaks, the school has 40 fourth, fifth and sixth graders. It has also enrolled about 225 students for summer school classes.

Alito said the students will have to go elsewhere, but he does not yet know where.

The 17-classroom school was built on a five-acre section of Red Rock Hill as part of the 32-acre Diamond Heights redevelopment project.

The site was originally graded and filled by the redevelopment agency in 1961, and was purchased by the school district in 1964. Construction, at a cost of \$800,000, was completed in July 1967.

Six months later, the central portion of the school settled about five-and-a-half inches.

Associate Supt. Milton Redman said teachers should immediately handle opening and



CUSTODIAN JOHN CASE CHECKS CRACKS IN WALL. Structure is moving sideways and down at some time.

opening doors and windows, and some beams had to be repaired.

In 1970, the district spent \$13,000 for "cosmetic" repairs when engineers thought the soil subsidence had stopped.

Three years later, however, a two-story classroom wing began to settle, and by last year the school had sunk eight inches.

George Hervert, a soil engineer, banks an increase in the landfill's moisture content, controlled by the amount of ground water in the surrounding hills, is responsible for the problem.

The moisture content has increased from 60 per cent in 1960 to 90 per cent last year.

Hervert said the main problem is probably at George Christopher Playground, below the school, where the landfill is deepest. When the soil there subsides, it causes the soil beneath the school to sink.

Alito said he will recommend

an immediate investigation so the district can sue the responsible parties. He declined to place the blame any where just now.

The school, which has cracks in its walls and on the playground, is now worth about \$1 million, Alito said. The closing, temporary, but said he was unsure whether the school could be shared up or would have to be torn down.

Nearby McAttee High School has not had any sinking or sliding, although a redevelopment agency spokesman said there have been some complaints of settlement and slide conditions elsewhere in the Diamond Heights project besides the elementary school.

He called the soil conditions "a mystery" and said the landfill and construction was done after "advice exploration."

The PTA announced a community meeting to discuss the problem at 7 p.m. tomorrow in the McAttee cafeteria.

Boy, 9, rescuer down

A 9-year-old boy and a woman who tried to rescue him drowned yesterday in Shadow Cliffs Park in Pleasanton. The incident followed another drowning at the park Tuesday.

A spokesman for the East Bay Regional Parks District public safety department identified the dead boy as Lemar Chen Jr. He was pulled from the water and died at Valley Memorial Hospital.

Carson Geyer, 26, of Oakland, drowned while trying to save the boy after he fell into the water while fishing.

The drownings occurred in the Arroyo area of the park.

On Tuesday, a 16-year-old boy drowned while swimming in a restricted area.

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Attention: Ms. Elizabeth Lee

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Report
Geotechnical Investigation
Proposed Remodeling and Seismic Upgrade
San Francisco Police Academy
350 Amber Drive
San Francisco, California

This report presents the results of our geotechnical investigation for the proposed remodeling and seismic upgrade of the San Francisco Police Academy located at 350 Amber Drive in San Francisco, California. The subject campus previously housed the Diamond Heights Elementary School.

The campus was built upon a bench on the north side of a filled ravine. The fill material was excavated from nearby hills.

Our report¹ dated May 26, 1998 presents the results of the literature research of the development of the Diamond Heights Elementary School. The initial geotechnical report² for the site was prepared by Woodward-Clyde-Sherard and Associates dated January 29, 1965. Woodward-Clyde & Associates prepared a second report³ dated March 21, 1969 addressing the distressed conditions of the walls and floor slab of the Diamond Heights Elementary School building.

¹"Geotechnical Engineering Services, Proposed Remodeling and Seismic Upgrade, San Francisco Police Academy, 350 Amber Drive, San Francisco, California," dated May 26, 1998 (Our Job No. 1393-029).

²"Soil Investigation For the Proposed Diamond Heights Elementary School, Project 905, Amber Drive and Duncan Street, San Francisco, California," prepared by Woodward-Clyde-Sherard and Associates, Consulting Soil & Foundation Engineers, dated January 29, 1965.

³"Diamond Heights Elementary School, Amber Drive and Duncan Street, San Francisco, California," prepared by Woodward-Clyde & Associates, Consulting Soil Engineers and Geologists, dated March 21, 1969.

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Recently, additional geotechnical investigation reports for the site were obtained from a San Francisco Unified School District warehouse. Woodward-Clyde Consultants prepared a third report⁴ dated June 7, 1976 addressing settlement in the south wing of Diamond Heights Elementary School. Harding-Lawson Associates prepared a report⁵ dated July 15, 1977 addressing the movements at Diamond Heights Elementary School.

PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION

Present plans call for the remodeling and seismic upgrade of the existing buildings at the Academy. This is in preparation for possibly converting the Academy back to an elementary school or maintaining the campus as an administration facility. We understand that shear walls, among others, will be required as part of the retrofit. Details of the loading information are not available at this time. It is also possible that the existing building will be demolished and replaced with appropriate school buildings.

PURPOSE AND SCOPE OF SERVICES

The purpose of our investigation was to explore the subsurface soil conditions in the project area, provide recommendations for foundation support of the proposed shear walls, and provide documentation for the preparation of the Geo-Hazard Statement as required by the Office of Regulation Services of the Division of the State Architect for the subject campus. The investigation was performed substantially in accordance with our proposal dated July 15, 1998.

The scope of our services included a field exploration program of drilling three borings, along with laboratory testing and engineering analyses.

SUMMARY OF SUPPLEMENTARY LITERATURE REVIEW

The Woodward-Clyde Consultants report dated June 7, 1976, indicates that structural repairs were performed on the northerly part of the school building in 1970, and no further distress was observed. San Francisco Unified School District records indicate the masonry wall on the east side of the main entrance was repaired in February of 1970. Distress and deformation of the southerly two-story wing of the building was observed in 1974, and surveys of settlement markers were taken.

Horizontal deformation of the fill of 1 inch in 4 months was recorded below Christopher Park, which is about 25 feet below the school playground level. 8 inches of vertical deformation was recorded at the south end of the building. It was estimated that the settlement would occur at a rate of 1-1/2 inches per year based on the settlement measurements. The average degree of saturation of the fill had increased from 63% in 1964 to 94% in 1975.

⁴"Diamond Heights Elementary School, Amber Drive and Duncan Street, San Francisco, California," prepared by Woodward-Clyde Consultants, Consulting Engineers, Geologists, and Environmental Scientists, dated June 7, 1976.

⁵"Geotechnical Investigation Relative to Movements of the Diamond Heights Elementary School," prepared by Harding-Lawson Associates, Engineers, Geologists, and Geophysicists, dated July 15, 1977.

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It was concluded by Woodward-Clyde Consultants that the entire mass of fill placed to develop Christopher Park and the school property was moving along the original ravine slopes. It was recommended to temporarily discontinue occupancy of the building and continue monitoring the movements and deformation, or continue to occupy the building during monitoring.

Harding Lawson Associates performed an independent geotechnical investigation of the movements of the school building with the results presented in a report dated July 15, 1977.

Harding-Lawson Associates developed seven theories of possible causes for the movement. It was also noted that there was a lapse of 6 years between the period of settlement in 1967, which occurred in the northern portion of the building, and the settlement in 1973, which occurred in the southern portion of the building.

A review of precipitation data indicates a correlation of higher than normal rainfall in 1967 prior to the building settlement and in 1973 prior to settlement in the south wing. It was also noted that the rate of ground water movement was greatest in the area of previous maximum subsidence near the main entranceway.

Field density tests were performed to determine the degree of relative compaction of the existing fill. Compaction ranged from 86 percent to 98 percent, averaging to 92 percent relative compaction.

It was concluded that the cause of the settlement is primarily from the increase in the moisture content of the fill since it was placed, resulting in compression of the fill. Settlement beneath the northern portion of the building was due to groundwater migration. Settlement of the southern portion of the building is due mainly to surface water infiltration, possibly from the construction and irrigation of Christopher Park, which was completed in 1971. The natural soils below the fill were determined to be overconsolidated.

Slight additional settlement of the northern portion of the building was predicted. Continued settlement of the south end of the two-story wing was predicted at a rate of about 1-1/2 to 2 inches per year. A total of 11 inches of settlement of the two-story wing was measured at the time of the report in 1977.

It was concluded that, "The site is stable against a large-scale landslide and continue to be used safely for a school," however, the two-story wing was considered to be potentially unsafe during an earthquake and should not be reoccupied.

Four courses of action were suggested: 1) Continue to monitor movement of the building and repair the two-story wing. 2) Demolish and remove the two-story wing or portions of it, and possibly build a new building in its location. 3) Continue monitoring of movement in the northern portion of the building. 4) Continue the monitoring program through several wet seasons to establish effects of future rainfall on the site.

On March 13, 1979, Harding-Lawson Associates issued a final report addressing the settlement monitoring at the site. There was slight lateral movement of the fill, but there were no indications to suggest a potential landslide. Settlement was still occurring within the two-story wing.

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FIELD EXPLORATION AND LABORATORY TESTING

The subsurface conditions were explored by drilling a total of three borings at the locations shown on the Plot Plan, Plate 1. The borings were drilled with a truck-mounted rotary-wash drill rig to depths ranging from about 26-1/2 feet to 31-1/2 feet below the existing ground surface.

The field exploration was performed under the technical direction of one of our engineers who examined and visually classified the soils encountered, maintained a continuous log of boring, and obtained both relatively undisturbed and disturbed samples for laboratory examination and testing. Graphical presentation of the soils encountered is presented on the Log of Boring, Plates 2A through 2C. An explanation of the nomenclature and symbols used on the log of boring is shown on Plate 3, Soil Classification Chart & Key To Test Data. The log of boring shows subsurface conditions on the date and at the location indicated, and it is not warranted that it is representative of the subsurface conditions at other times or locations.

Laboratory tests were performed on selected soil samples to correlate the soil properties and to evaluate the engineering characteristics. Moisture content and dry density tests were performed on selected relatively undisturbed soil samples, and moisture content tests were performed on Standard Penetration Test (SPT) samples. The results of the laboratory testing are presented on the log of boring at the appropriate sample locations. Compaction test was performed on a representative sample of the fill material.

SITE CONDITIONS**SURFACE CONDITIONS**

The San Francisco Police Academy occupies the same building formerly housing the Diamond Heights Elementary School. The playground area east of the building is currently being used as a parking lot. Based on visual observation, it appears that a portion of the southern end of the two-story wing of the original building has been removed. The two-story wing of the building currently appears substantially shorter on the southern end than in the aerial photographs and drawings dating back to 1977; however, records of the speculated demolition were not available.

Visible lateral movement of the building and the paved area was not observed at the site. The floor slabs in the hallways were noted to be sloping. Significant cracks were observed along the east wall of the northern portion of the building.

SUBSURFACE CONDITIONS

Fill was encountered to the depths explored in the three borings drilled for this investigation. Medium stiff to stiff gravelly clay with rock fragments was encountered in Borings 1 & 2 to a depth of 18 feet and 20 feet, respectively, below the existing ground surface. In Boring 1, the gravelly clay was underlain by stiff sandy clay to the depth explored. In Boring 2, the gravelly clay was underlain by loose to medium dense clayey gravel to the depth explored. Stiff sandy clay was encountered in Boring 3 to a depth of 8 feet below the existing ground surface. The stiff sandy clay was underlain by medium dense, wet, clayey gravel with rock fragments to a depth of 20 feet. The clayey gravel was

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underlain by medium dense clayey gravel and sand to a depth of 26 feet. Medium dense clayey gravel was encountered below the clayey gravel and sand to the depth explored in Boring 3.

SEISMIC CONSIDERATIONS

The site is located in the seismically active San Francisco Bay Area and is subject to the effects of large magnitude earthquakes. The significant earthquakes that have occurred in the Bay Area are generally associated with crustal movement along well-defined active fault zones. The major faults include the San Andreas and Hayward which are located approximately 5 miles southwest and 13-1/2 miles northeast of the site, respectively.

DISCUSSION AND RECOMMENDATIONS

GENERAL

Based on the boring information for this investigation and available information from previous investigations performed at the site, it appears that the site is underlain by fill of clayey sand, gravel, and rock fragments. The fill appears to be on the order of 35 to 45 feet thick under the northern portion of the building and 60 to 90 feet thick under the southern portion of the building.

In the three borings drilled for this investigation the fill appears to be in a saturated condition with an average degree of saturation on the order of 84 percent to 94 percent. Based on the maximum dry density of 129 pounds per cubic foot, as determined by ASTM D-1557 test procedure, of a representative sample of the fill material it appears that the existing fill was compacted to a density ranging from 86 percent to 98 percent of the maximum dry density. Examination of the samples of the fill material, however, indicates that some of the material appears to be wet and soft. Sampling resistance during drilling of these three borings was lower than those recorded in 1969. Although the fill was substantially compacted, it has been the opinion that settlement should be anticipated from compression of the fill upon saturation.

We understand that the following two distinctly different development schemes are being considered for the site.

- 1) Seismically retrofit the existing building.
- 2) Construct new buildings on the site.

SETTLEMENT

Settlement monitoring was performed on the building during the periods of building settlement in the 1960s and the 1970s. Available records indicate that the last "continuous" settlement monitoring reading was taken in December 1984. For the current investigation a survey of the level of the existing floors and the columns was made by Martin M. Ron Associates in 1998 prior to the discovery of the survey readings performed in the 1980's. Correlation of the survey points for the 1998 elevation readings with readings taken between 1968 and 1984 proved difficult due to the different survey points and the speculated demolition of part of the southern portion of the building. A plot of average floor elevations of the building for 1968, 1969, and 1998, shown on Plate 4, San Francisco Police Academy Average Floor Elevations, indicates that the building has settled between 1968 and 1998.

Settlement of the northern portion of the building occurred in 1967, whereas settlement of the southern portion of the building did not occur until 6 years later in 1973, and was unexpected. The cause of the settlements was attributed to compression of the fill due to saturation. The saturation of the fill in 1967 and 1973 was correlated by Harding-Lawson Associates to higher than normal rainfall in those years. Higher than normal rainfall occurred in the winter of 1997; however, survey readings were not taken between December 1984 and August 1998. Given the large duration of time between the two survey readings, it cannot be concluded that the settlement which occurred between 1984 and 1998 correlates with the higher than normal rainfall in 1997.

It should be noted that the center portion of the building did not experience a large amount of settlement as the northern and southern portions of the building. If saturation of the fill under the center portion of the building should occur, settlement similar to those in the northern and southern portions of the building should be expected. We estimate that the amount of settlement could be on the order of one foot in the center of the building, similar to the occurrences for both the northern and southern portions of the building.

Time-settlement plots of the subject building since 1968, with added readings recently surveyed in 1998, indicate that the building has settled on the order of 1.7 inches between 1984 and 1998. Time-settlement plots are presented in Plates 5A through 5E, San Francisco Police Academy Floor Elevations - Arithmetic Scale, and Plates 6A through 6E, San Francisco Police Academy Floor Elevations - Semi-logarithmic Scale. We anticipate that the rate of settlement would be diminishing. It is difficult to predict, with any reasonable accuracy, the amount of the anticipated settlements and the period over which the settlements will occur, given that the period of settlement in 1973 was unforeseen and that the speculated causes of the previous settlements have not been conclusive. Additional settlement of 2 to 3 inches over the next 15 years may occur at a rate of 1/8 inch per year, assuming that saturation of the fill under the center portion of the building does not occur.

SCHEME 1: SEISMIC RETROFIT

For seismic retrofit, we recommend that the proposed shear walls or other structural elements be supported on a shallow foundation of spread footings bearing on the compacted fill, in a similar manner as the existing foundation footings. We recommend that possible significant settlement of the center portion of the building should be taken into consideration.

Foundation Support

For the proposed shear walls and other structural elements, we recommend a shallow foundation of spread footings bearing on the compacted fill using an allowable bearing pressure of 2,000 pounds per square foot for dead plus live loads. The allowable bearing pressures may be increased by one-third for total design loads, including wind or seismic. The footings should be founded at least 18 inches below the lowest adjacent grade. Continuous footings should be at least 24 inches wide. The weight of the foundation concrete below grade may be neglected in computing bearing pressures.

In consideration of the potential of significant ground shaking, the structures should be designed with seismic forces in mind. To resist seismic effects, we suggest that the footings be tied together with grade beams or a diaphragm slab.

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Resistance to lateral loads can be developed in friction between the foundation and the supporting subgrade using a frictional resistance of 0.3. Additional resistance may be developed by passive pressure of 250 pounds per cubic foot for the portion of the footings and grade beams embedded in the soil. Unless the surface is paved, the upper foot of soil should be neglected in computing the passive resistance.

We estimate that the settlement due to structural loads from the structural elements founded on a shallow foundation of isolated and continuous footings, designed and constructed as discussed above, will be relatively small, probably less than one inch.

Settlement Monitoring

We recommend that a program of monitoring and evaluation of building performance be adopted. As part of this, we recommend that elevation readings be taken at representative locations on the foundations and floor slab at regular time intervals. This record would be reviewed by our office and your structural engineer.

SCHEME 2: NEW CONSTRUCTION

For construction of new facilities at the site, we recommend that the proposed buildings be supported on a shallow foundation bearing on the existing fill and/or compacted fill.

The large amount of settlement which occurred in the southern portion of the building in 1976 was unpredicted and unexpected. Although we do not anticipate that total and differential settlements of such magnitude would occur, it is prudent to plan for such unexpected settlements.

Foundation Support

The foundation should be laid out in a grid-like pattern which ties all of the foundation elements together in two directions in order to resist deflection resulting from settlements and seismic effects. For spread footings bearing on the existing fill or on compacted fill after appropriate site preparation, we recommend that the footings be designed using an allowable bearing pressure of 2,000 pounds per square foot for dead plus live loads. The allowable bearing pressures may be increased by one-third for total design load, including wind or seismic. The footings should be founded at least 18 inches below the lowest adjacent grade. Continuous footings should be at least 15 inches wide, and isolated spread footings should be at least 24 inches wide. The weight of the foundation concrete below grade may be neglected in computing the bearing pressures.

In order to resist the effect of differential settlement, the wall footings and grade beams should be designed as stiff strong beams capable of resisting both positive and negative moments. We suggest that they be designed to span at least 20 feet carrying the full structural load (dead plus real live loads above the foundation level). Continuity of beam strength should be maintained at locations such as steps in footings, offsets of footings, etc.

Resistance to lateral loads can be developed in friction between the footing and the compacted fill using a coefficient of friction of 0.3. Additional resistance may be developed by a passive pressure of 250 pounds per cubic foot for the portion of the footings and grade beams below grade. Unless

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the surface is paved, the upper foot of embedment should be neglected in computing the passive resistance.

We estimate that the settlement of the structure, due to structural loads, founded on a shallow foundation of isolated and contiguous footings, designed and constructed as discussed above, will be relatively small, probably less than one inch.

As an alternative to spread footings and grade beams, the structures may be supported on a mat foundation bearing on the fill after appropriate site preparation. The bottom of the mat foundation should be founded at least 12 inches below the lowest adjacent grade. The foundation should be reinforced to resist bending equally in either an upward or downward direction. This is intended to provide strength to redistribute loads and also to minimize differential settlements caused by variations in the underlying soil. Sufficient reinforcement should be provided in the mat to distribute the superimposed structural loads assuming a span of 20 feet at any location and cantilever of 10 feet (but not more than one-quarter the dimension of the building).

Settlement Monitoring

In view of the possibility of significant total and differential settlements, we recommend that a program of monitoring and evaluation of building performance be adopted. As part of this, we recommend that elevation readings be taken at representative locations on the foundations and floor slab at the time of pouring, at completion of construction, and at appropriate times thereafter. This record would be reviewed by our office and your structural engineer. Knowledge of the details of settlement behavior will be valuable in case remedial measures become necessary or if differential settlements are suspected of contributing to building distress. Periodic releveled of the buildings should be anticipated and may be required to provide proper performance of the buildings. It is our opinion that a stiff foundation with monitoring of settlement, and possible releveled, would provide satisfactory foundation support.

SITE PREPARATION

The intent of this work is to provide well-compacted soil to support the building foundation.

We recommend the following minimum procedures be undertaken for site preparation in the construction area and extending at least 5 feet beyond the perimeter of the building area. The lateral extent of the site preparation will be restricted along the property lines and existing buildings and facilities. The work should be carried out under the observation and testing of our geotechnical engineering staff.

1. Remove all existing pavements, concrete walkways, curb and gutter and other deleterious debris and dispose off site. Remove all below grade construction, obstructions or debris and dispose off site.
2. After performing the required cutting operation and prior to any filling, proofroll the exposed surface with at least six passes of a heavy vibrating compactor, such as Dynapac CA-15, Rascal 303-A, Ingersoll-Rand SP-46 or equal.

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In areas showing extensive weaving or pumping and where loose or soft soils are found at the bottom of the exposed surface, excavate to greater depth and replace with compacted materials as required.

3. After proofrolling, scarify the exposed surface to a depth of at least 8 inches and condition to near optimum moisture content and compact to at least 90 percent of the maximum dry density as determined by ASTM D-1557 test procedure.
4. Place the backfill and fill to meet design grade in layers not exceeding 8 inches thick (loose condition), condition to approximately optimum moisture content and compact to at least 90 percent of the maximum dry density as determined by the ASTM D-1557 test procedure.

Structure backfill and backfill for utility trenches should be placed in the manner described in item 4.

All excavations should be dewatered prior to placement of backfill or fill. It is recommended that jetting of fill and backfill for compaction not be permitted.

REPORT LIMITATIONS

Our services have been performed with the usual thoroughness and competence of the engineering profession. No other warranty or representation, either expressed or implied, is included or intended.

The conclusions and recommendations presented in this report are professional opinions based on project criteria and data described in this report, and are intended only for the purpose, site location and project indicated. If there is a significant change in the project, or if different soils are encountered from those indicated, Trans Pacific Geotechnical Consultants, Inc. should be notified for evaluation and supplemental recommendations as necessary or appropriate.

Trans Pacific Geotechnical Consultants, Inc. cannot be responsible for interpretations made by others with regard to foundation support or other recommendations presented in this report.

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CLOSURE

It is suggested that our office be consulted during design to answer any questions and provide clarification regarding our report. We request an opportunity to review appropriate portions of the final plans and specifications. Adequate engineering observation and testing should be provided during construction to provide reasonable assurance that pertinent provisions of the plans and specifications are properly carried out.

If you have any questions regarding this report, please contact us. The following plates are attached and complete this report.

Plate 1	Plot Plan
Plate 2A through 2C	Log of Boring
Plate 3	Soil Classification Chart & Key to Test Data
Plate 4	San Francisco Police Academy Average Floor Elevations
Plate 5A through 5E	San Francisco Police Academy Floor Elevations Arithmetic Scale
Plate 6A through 6E	San Francisco Police Academy Floor Elevations Semi-logarithmic Scale

Yours very truly,
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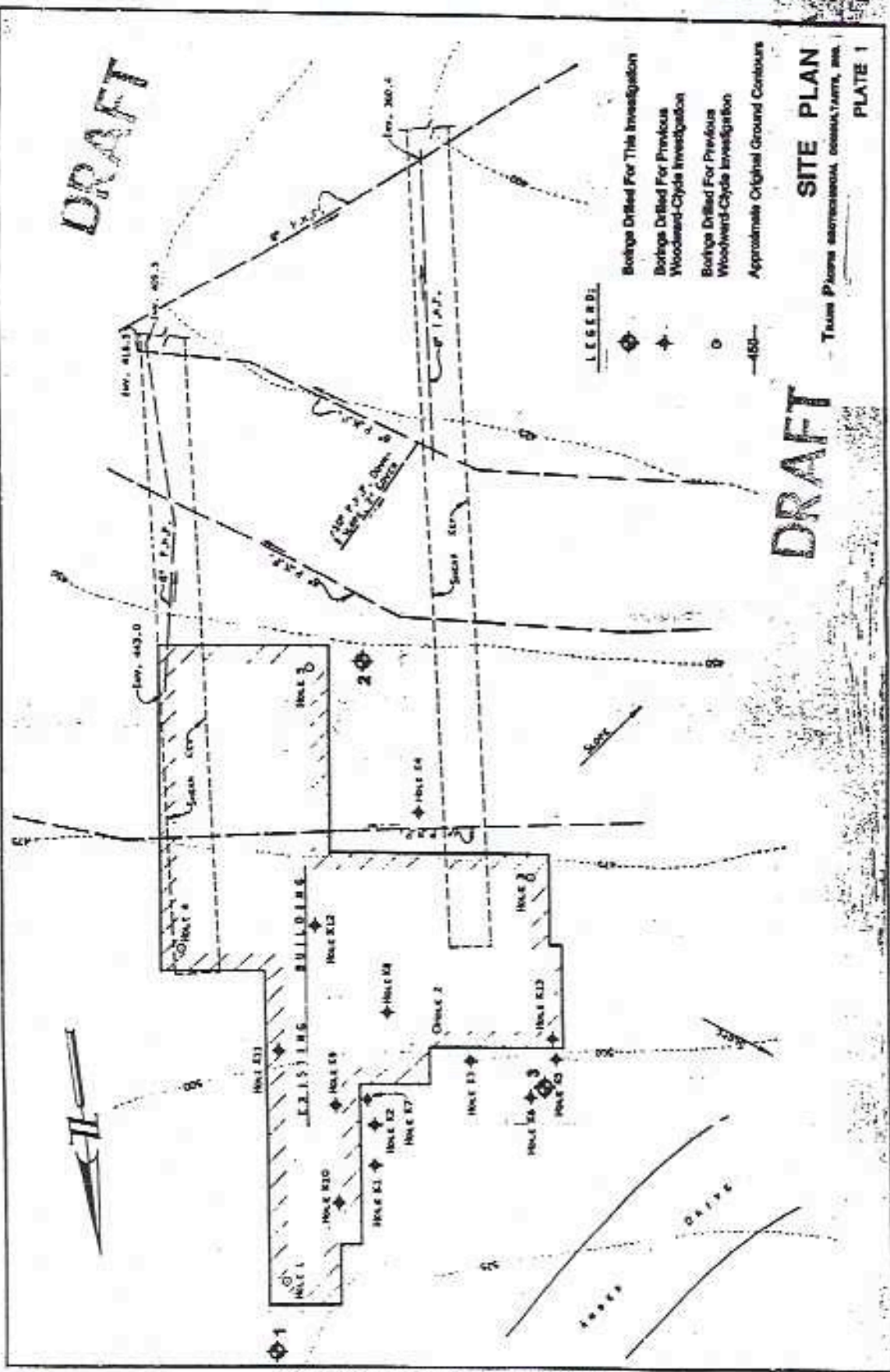
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SITE PLAN

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PLATE 1

DEPTH IN FEET	LAB DATA		SAMPLING	
	MOISTURE CONTENT (%)	DRY DENSITY (PCF)	SAMPLER TYPE	SAMPLING RESISTANCE
0				
17	17	111	MC	
5	16	116	MC	22
10	16	116	MC	22
15	15	117	MC	34
20	16	115	MC	27
25			MC	26
30	25	104	MC	14
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BORING 1

DATE DRILLED: 9/8/98

ELEVATION: feet

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SAMPLES	SYMBOLS	DESCRIPTION
		4in. Asphaltic Concrete over 8 in. Aggregate Base
	GC	Yellowish brown gravelly CLAY, (medium stiff to stiff)
		(grading dark brown with rock fragments, stiff to very stiff)
	GC	Reddish brown clayey GRAVEL, (stiff)
	GC	Green and dark gray gravelly CLAY, (medium stiff to stiff)
	SC	Yellowish brown sandy CLAY, (stiff)
		(grading clayey and with rock fragments, medium stiff)

NOTES:

1. Boring terminated at a depth of 31.5 feet.
2. Sampling resistance is measured in blows per foot required to drive the sampler 12 inches with a 140 lb. hammer falling 30 inches after sampler has been seated 6 inches.
3. Boring log indicates interpreted subsurface conditions only at the location and the time the boring was drilled.
4. For an explanation of terms used see the Soil Classification Chart and Key to Test Data, Plate 3.

LOG OF BORING

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BORING 2

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ELEVATION: feet

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DEPTH IN FEET	LAB DATA		SAMPLING	
	MOISTURE CONTENT (%)	DRY DENSITY (PCF)	SAMPLER TYPE	SAMPLING RESISTANCE
0				
17	17	115	MC	30
5	8	119	MC	27
10	17	119	MC	36
15	11	131	MC	31
20			MC	41
25	8	127	MC	26
30				
35				

SAMPLES	SYMBOLS	DESCRIPTION
		2in. Asphaltic Concrete over 6in. Aggregate Base
	GC	Brown gravelly CLAY with abundant rock fragments, dry, (stiff)
	GC	Yellowish brown gravelly CLAY with rock fragments, wet, (medium stiff to stiff)
	GC	Grayish brown clayey GRAVEL, (loose to medium dense)

NOTES:

1. Boring terminated at a depth of 26.5 feet.
2. Sampling resistance is measured in blows per foot required to drive the sampler 12 inches with a 140 lb. hammer falling 30 inches after sampler has been seated 6 inches.
3. Boring log indicates interpreted subsurface conditions only at the location and the time the boring was drilled.
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LOG OF BORING

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DEPTH IN FEET	LAB DATA		SAMPLING	
	MOISTURE CONTENT (%)	DRY DENSITY (PCF)	SAMPLER TYPE	SAMPLING RESISTANCE
0				
13	13	115	MC	13
5	18	109	MC	17
10	12	123	MC	43
15	8	133	MC	34
20	4	115	MC	35
25			MC	20
30	8	129	MC	52
35				

BORING 3

DATE DRILLED: 9/8/98

ELEVATION: feet

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SAMPLES

SYMBOLS DESCRIPTION

		2in. Asphaltic Concrete over 6in. Aggregate Base
SC		Brown sandy CLAY, moist, (stiff)
GC		Reddish brown clayey GRAVEL with abundant rock fragments, wet, (medium dense) (grading more clayey)
GC-SC		Brown clayey GRAVEL and SAND, wet, (medium dense) (grading loose and less gravelly)
GC		Grayish brown clayey gravel, medium dense)

NOTES:

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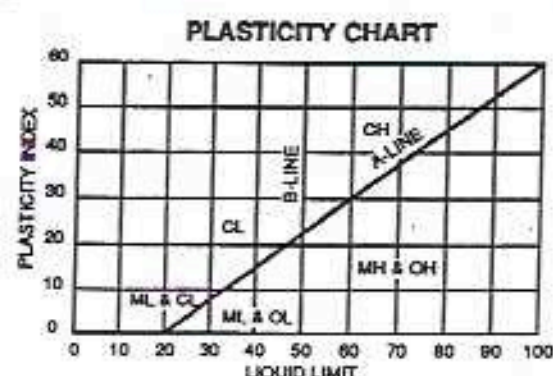
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PLATE 2C

UNIFIED SOIL CLASSIFICATION SYSTEM

SYMBOL	LETTER	DESCRIPTION	MAJOR DIVISIONS		
	GW	WELL-GRADED GRAVELS, GRAVEL-SAND MIXTURES, LITTLE OR NO FINES	CLEAN GRAVELS (LITTLE OR NO FINES)	GRAVELS MORE THAN 50% OF COARSE FRACTION RETAINED ON NO. 4 SIEVE	COARSE-GRAINED SOILS MORE THAN 50% OF MATERIAL IS RETAINED ON NO. 200 SIEVE FOR VISUAL CLASSIFICATION, THE 1/4" SIZE MAY BE USED AS EQUIVALENT TO THE NO. 4 SIEVE SIZE
	GP	POORLY-GRADED GRAVELS, GRAVEL-SAND MIXTURES, LITTLE OR NO FINES			
	GM	SILTY GRAVELS, GRAVEL-SAND-SILT MIXTURES	GRAVELS WITH FINES (APPRECIABLE AMOUNT OF FINES)		
	GC	CLAYEY GRAVELS, GRAVEL-SAND-CLAY MIXTURES			
	SW	WELL-GRADED SAND, GRAVELLY SANDS, LITTLE OR NO FINES	CLEAN SANDS (LITTLE OR NO FINES)	SANDS 50% OR MORE OF COARSE FRACTION PASSES NO. 4 SIEVE	
	SP	POORLY-GRADED SANDS, GRAVELLY SANDS, LITTLE OR NO FINES			
	SM	SILTY SANDS, SAND-SILT MIXTURES	SANDS WITH FINES (APPRECIABLE AMOUNT OF FINES)		
	SC	CLAYEY SANDS, SAND-CLAY MIXTURES			
	ML	INORGANIC SILTS AND VERY FINE SANDS, ROCK FLOUR, SILTY OR CLAYEY FINE SANDS, CLAYEY SILTS WITH SLIGHT PLASTICITY	SILTS & CLAYS (LIQUID LIMIT LESS THAN 50)		FINE-GRAINED SOILS 50% OR MORE OF MATERIAL PASSES THE NO. 200 SIEVE THE NO. 200 U.S. STANDARD SIEVE SIZE IS ABOUT THE SMALLEST PARTICLE VISIBLE TO THE NAKED EYE
	CL	INORGANIC CLAYS OF LOW TO MEDIUM PLASTICITY, GRAVELLY CLAYS, SANDY CLAYS, SILTY CLAYS, LEAN CLAYS			
	OL	ORGANIC SILTS AND ORGANIC SILT-CLAYS OF LOW PLASTICITY			
	MH	INORGANIC SILTS, MICACEOUS OR DIATOMACEOUS FINE SANDY OR SILTY SOILS, ELASTIC SILTS	SILTS & CLAYS (LIQUID LIMIT 50 OR MORE)		
	CH	INORGANIC CLAYS OF HIGH PLASTICITY, FAT CLAYS			
	OH	ORGANIC CLAYS OF MEDIUM TO HIGH PLASTICITY, ORGANIC SILTS			
	PT	PEAT AND OTHER HIGHLY ORGANIC SOILS	HIGHLY ORGANIC SOILS		



TYPES OF SOIL SAMPLERS

- MC - MODIFIED CALIFORNIA SAMPLER
- NX - ROCK CORING
- P - PISTON SAMPLER
- PT - PITCHER BARREL SAMPLER
- S - SHELBY SAMPLER
- SPT - STANDARD PENETRATION TEST SAMPLER
- U - UNDERWATER SAMPLER

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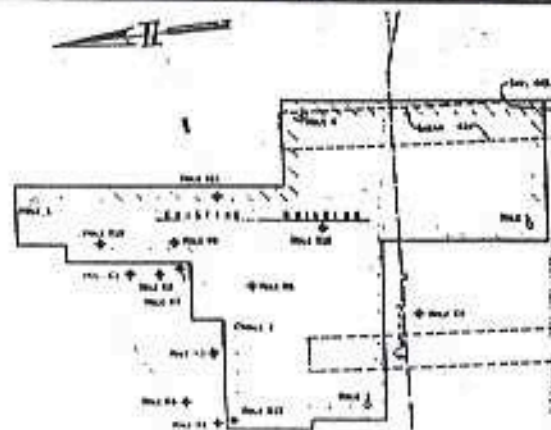
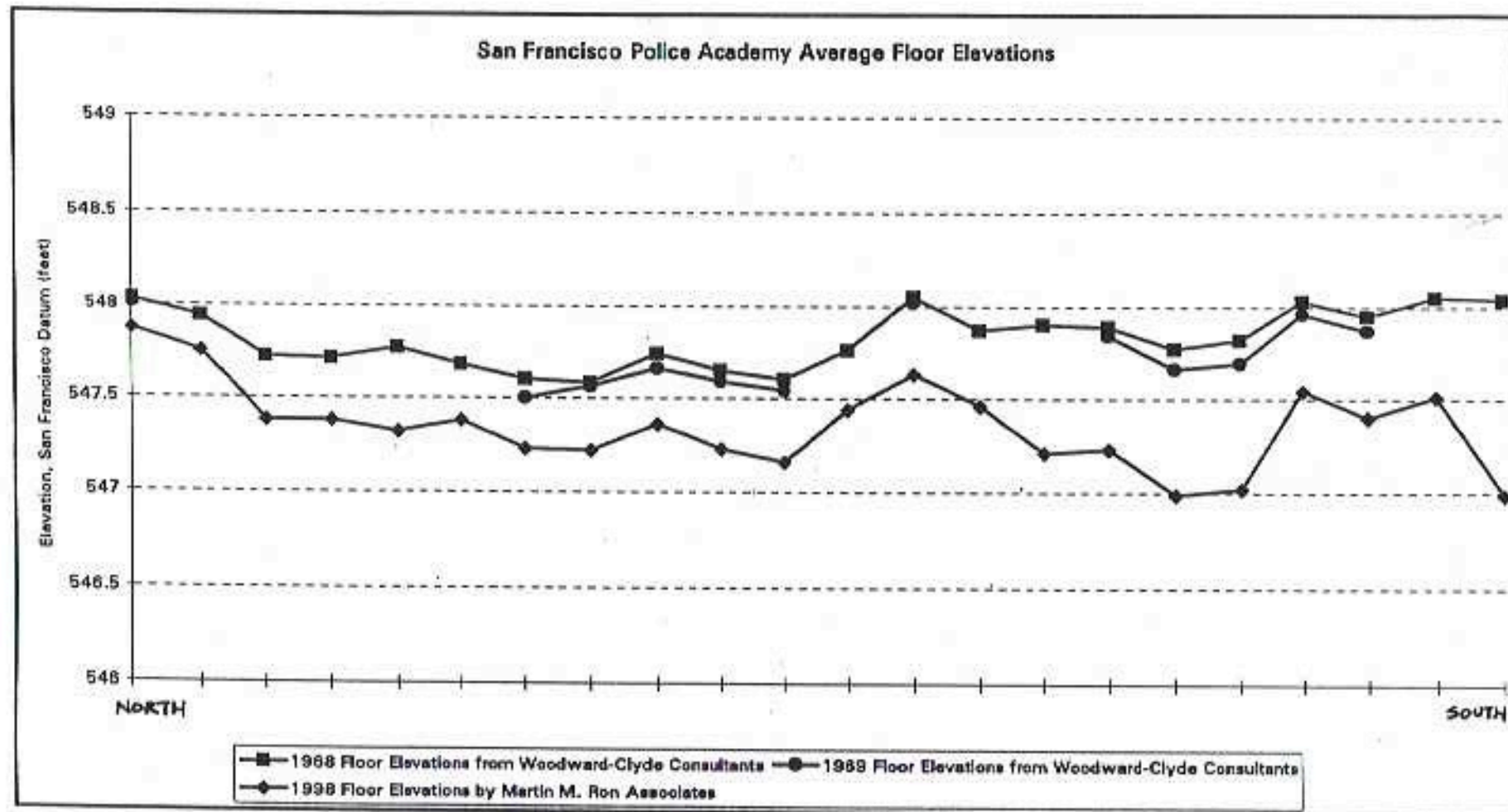
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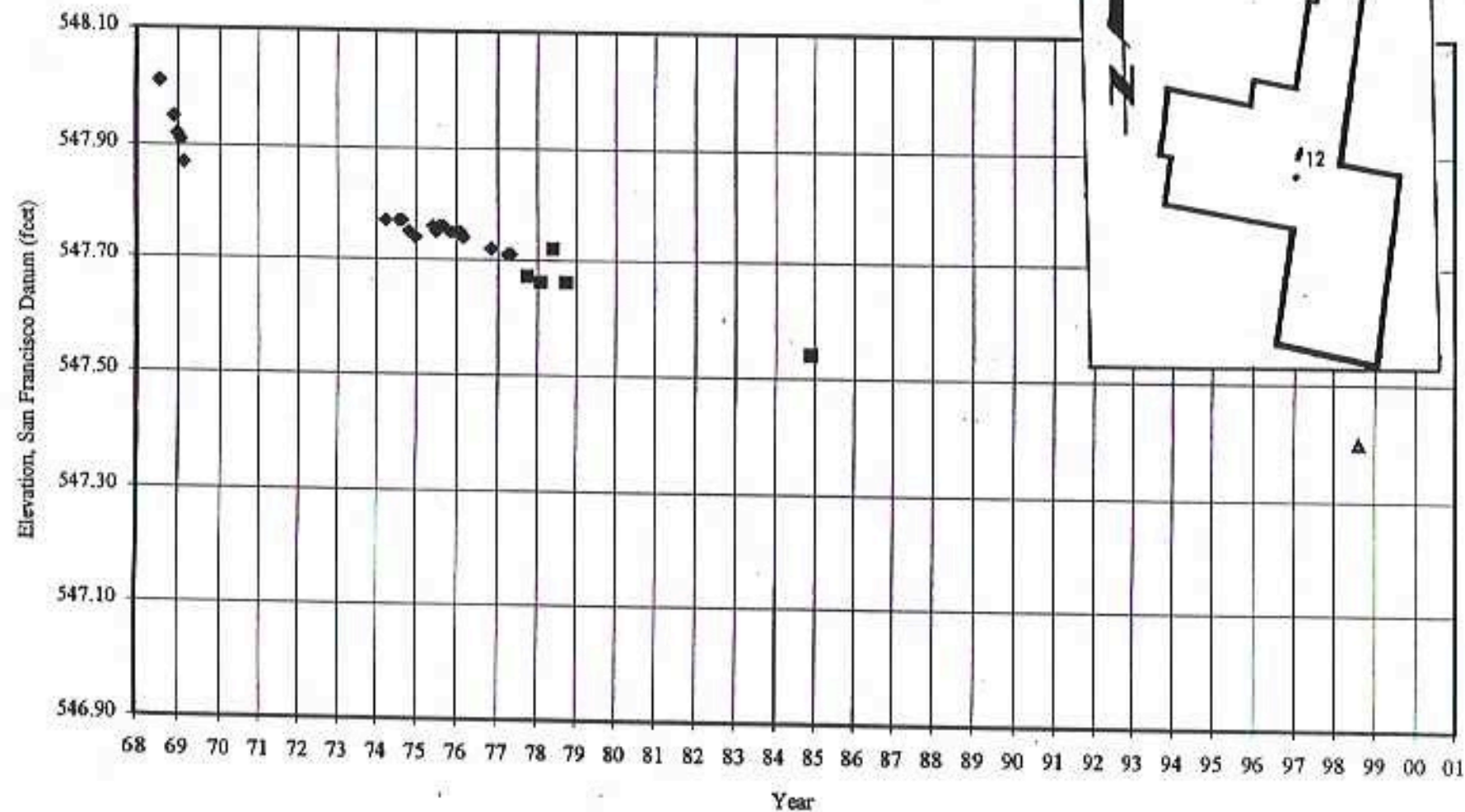
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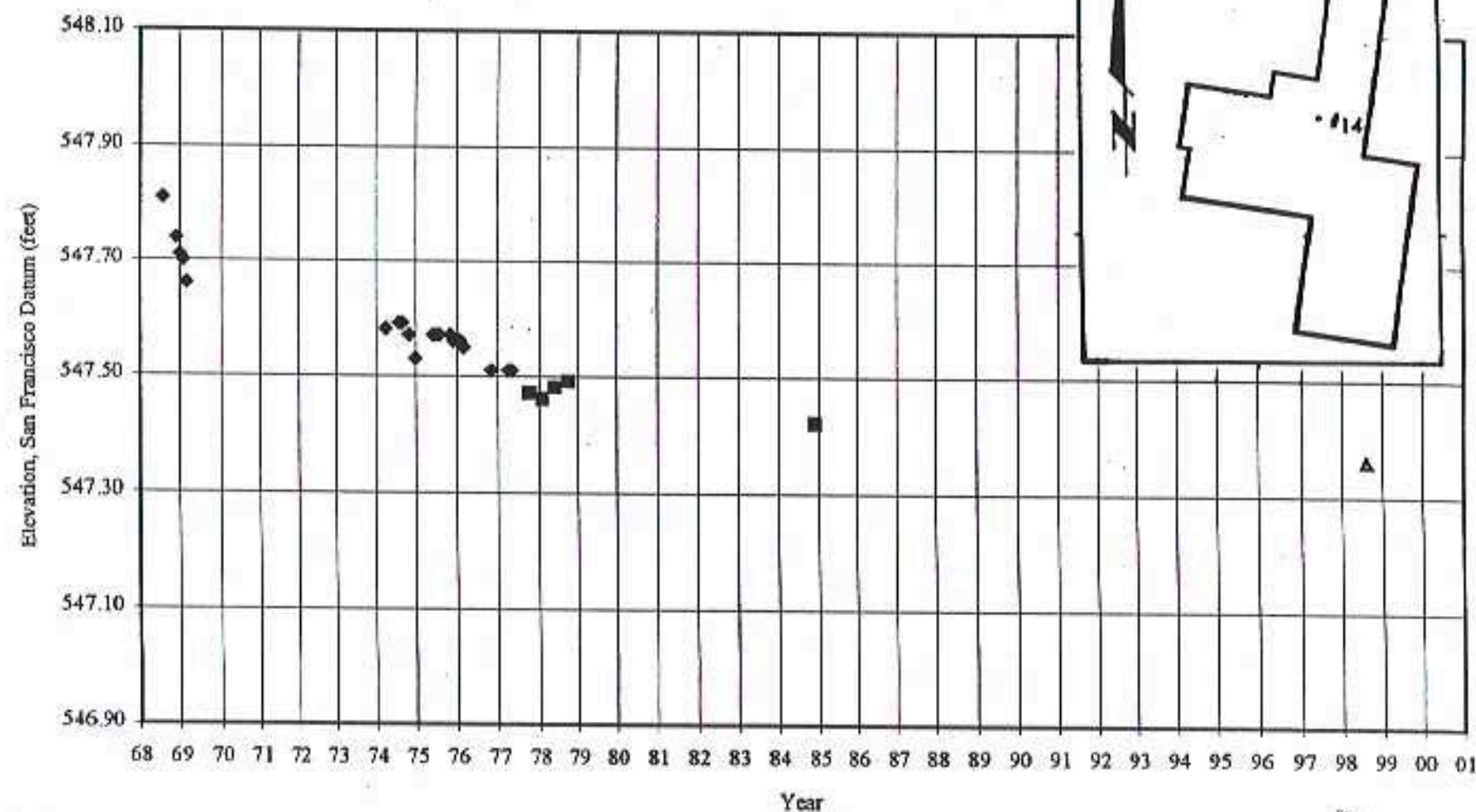
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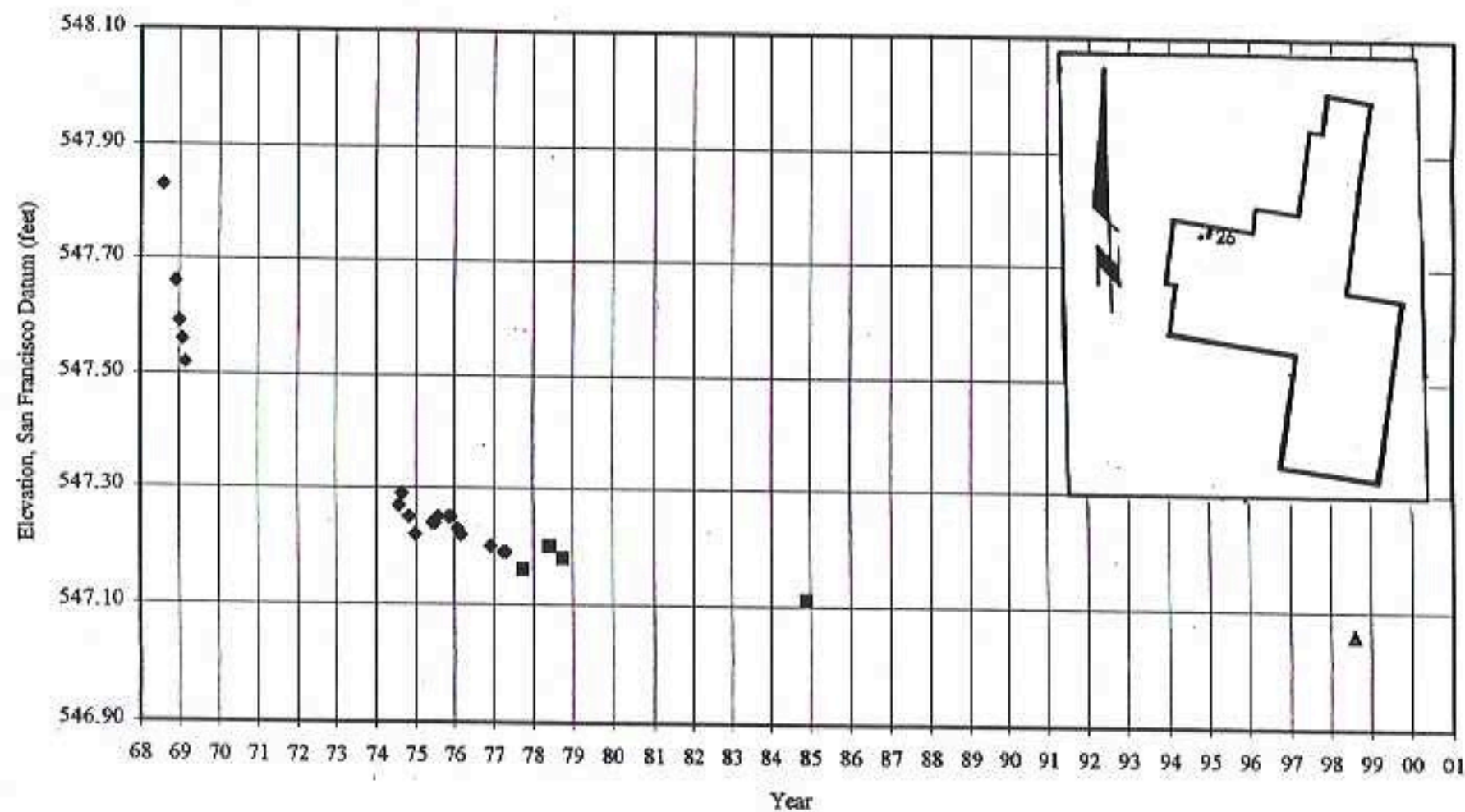
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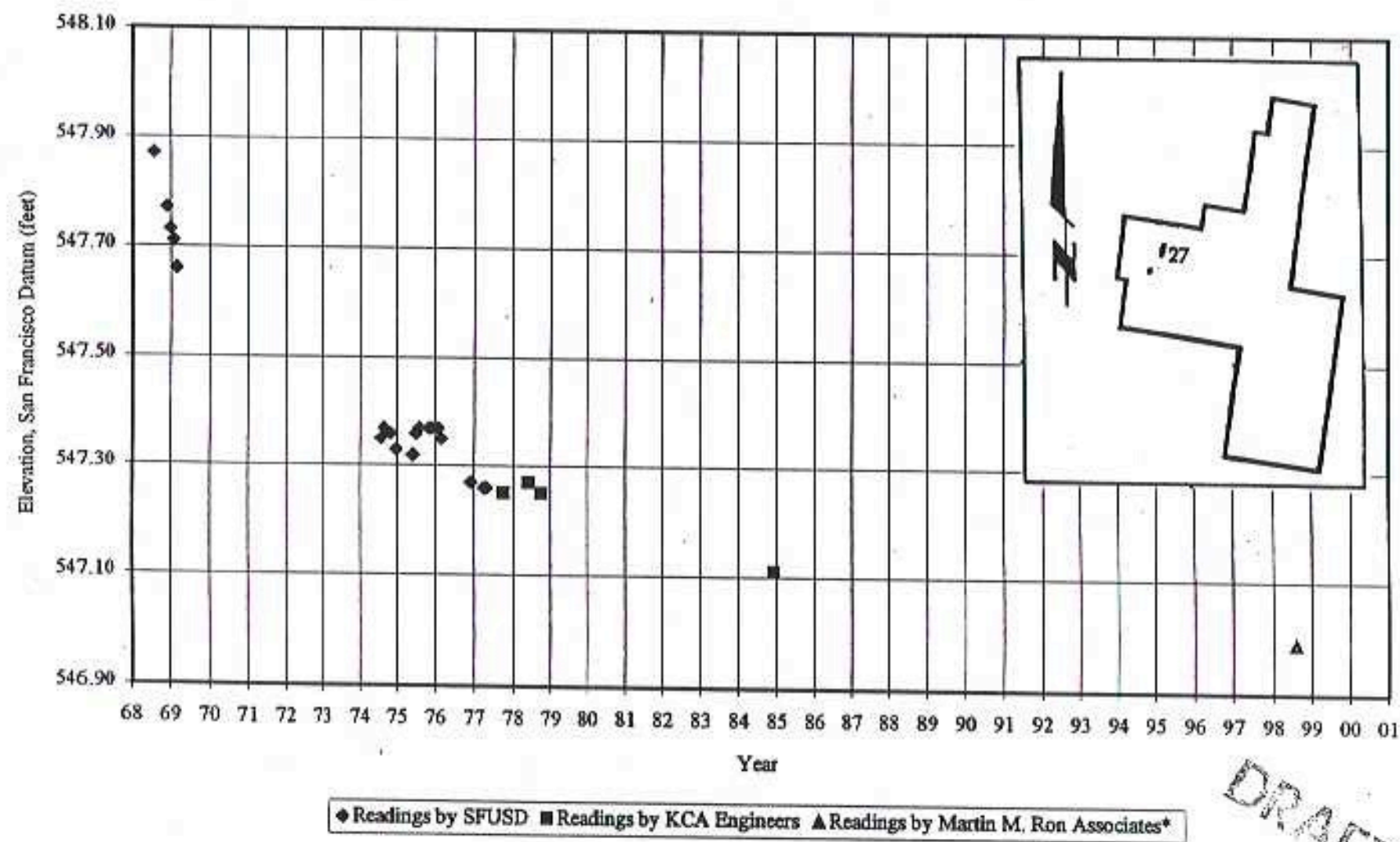
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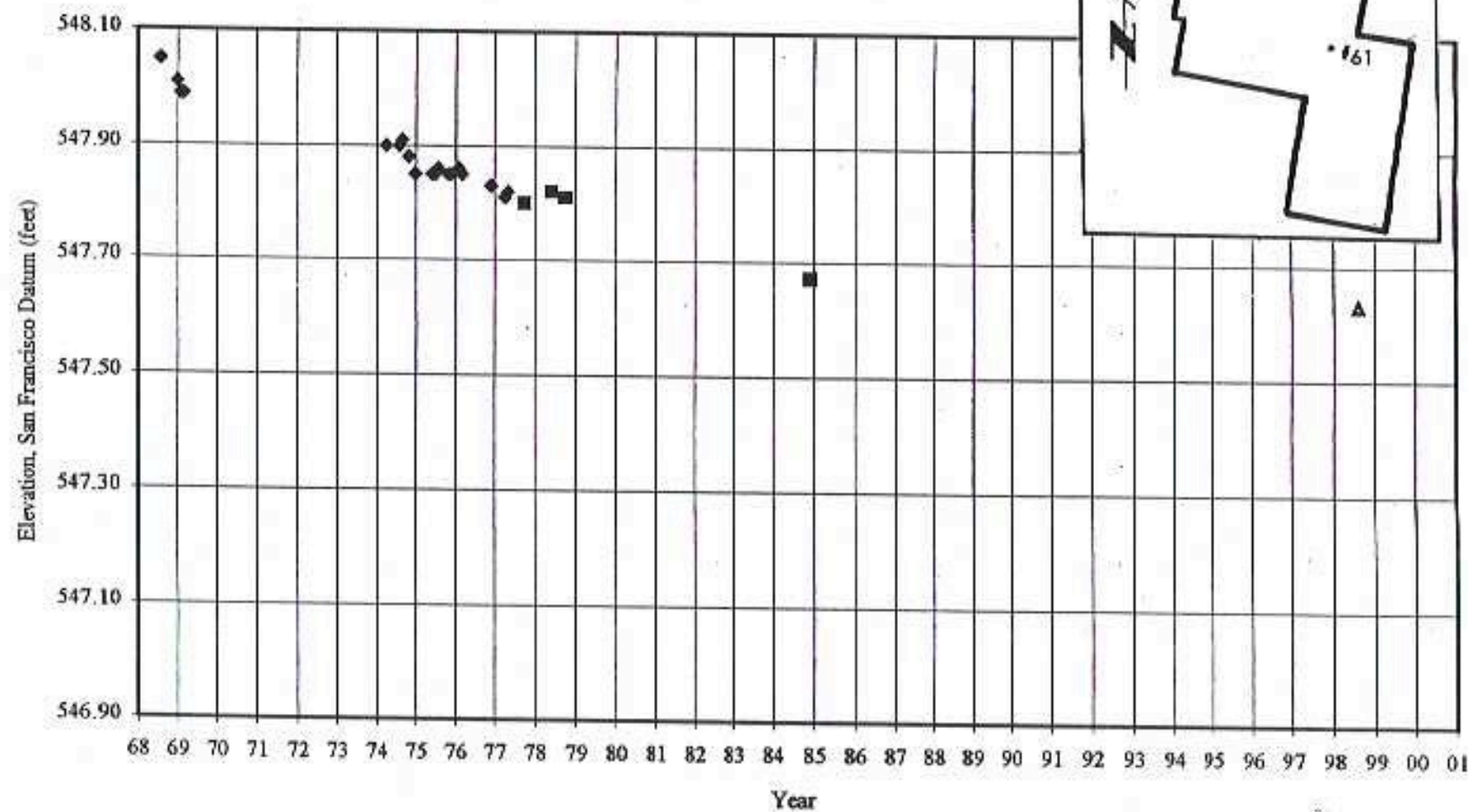
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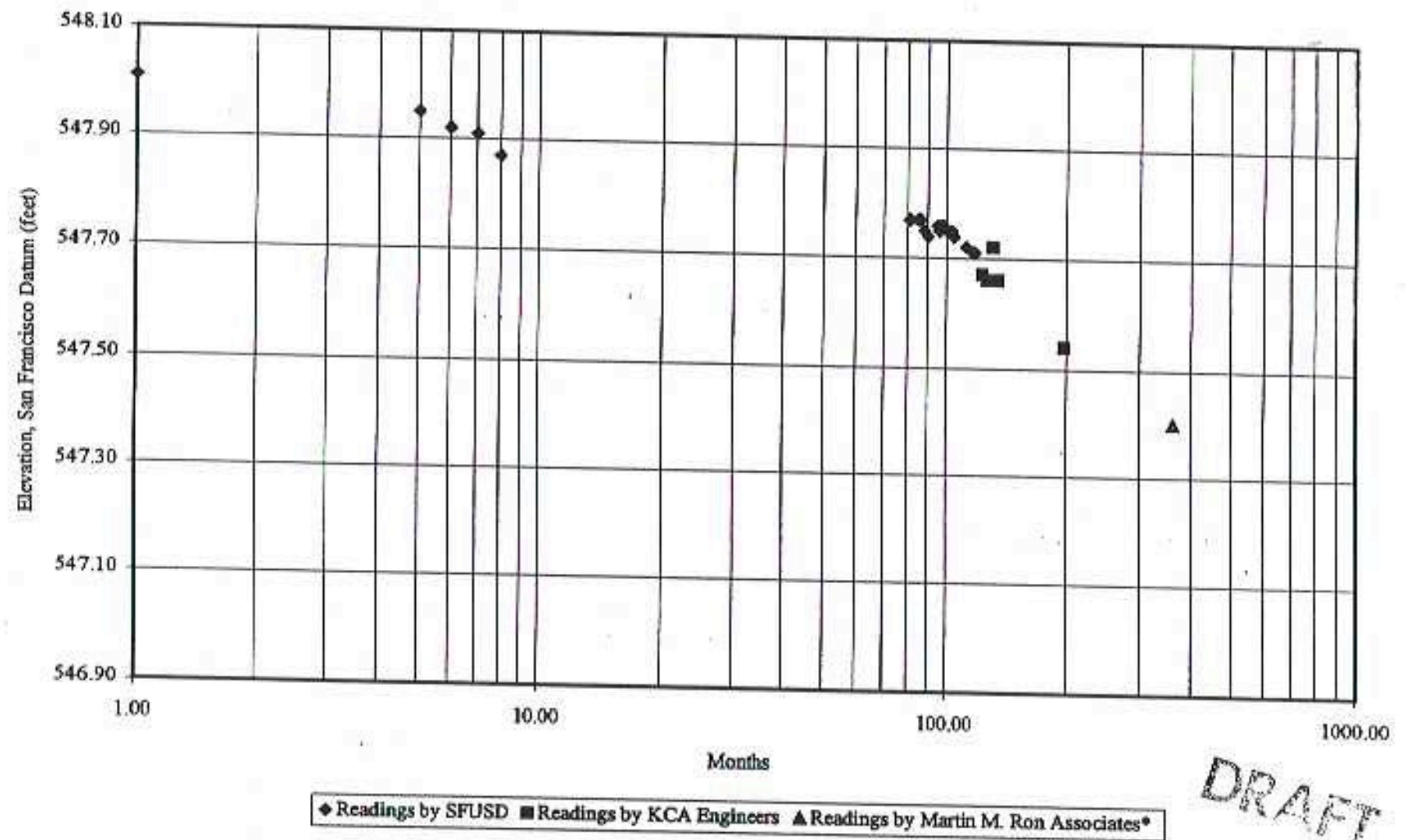
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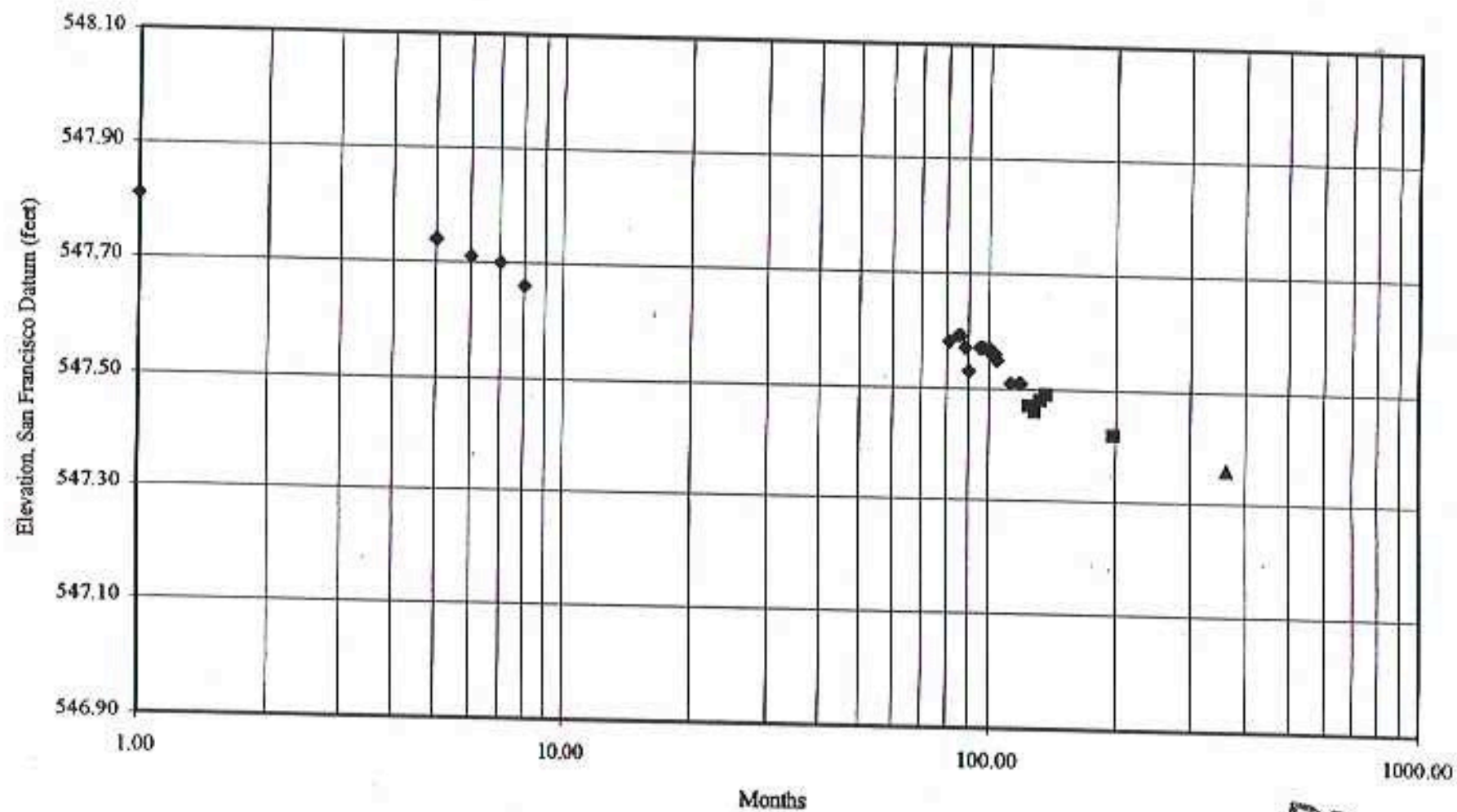
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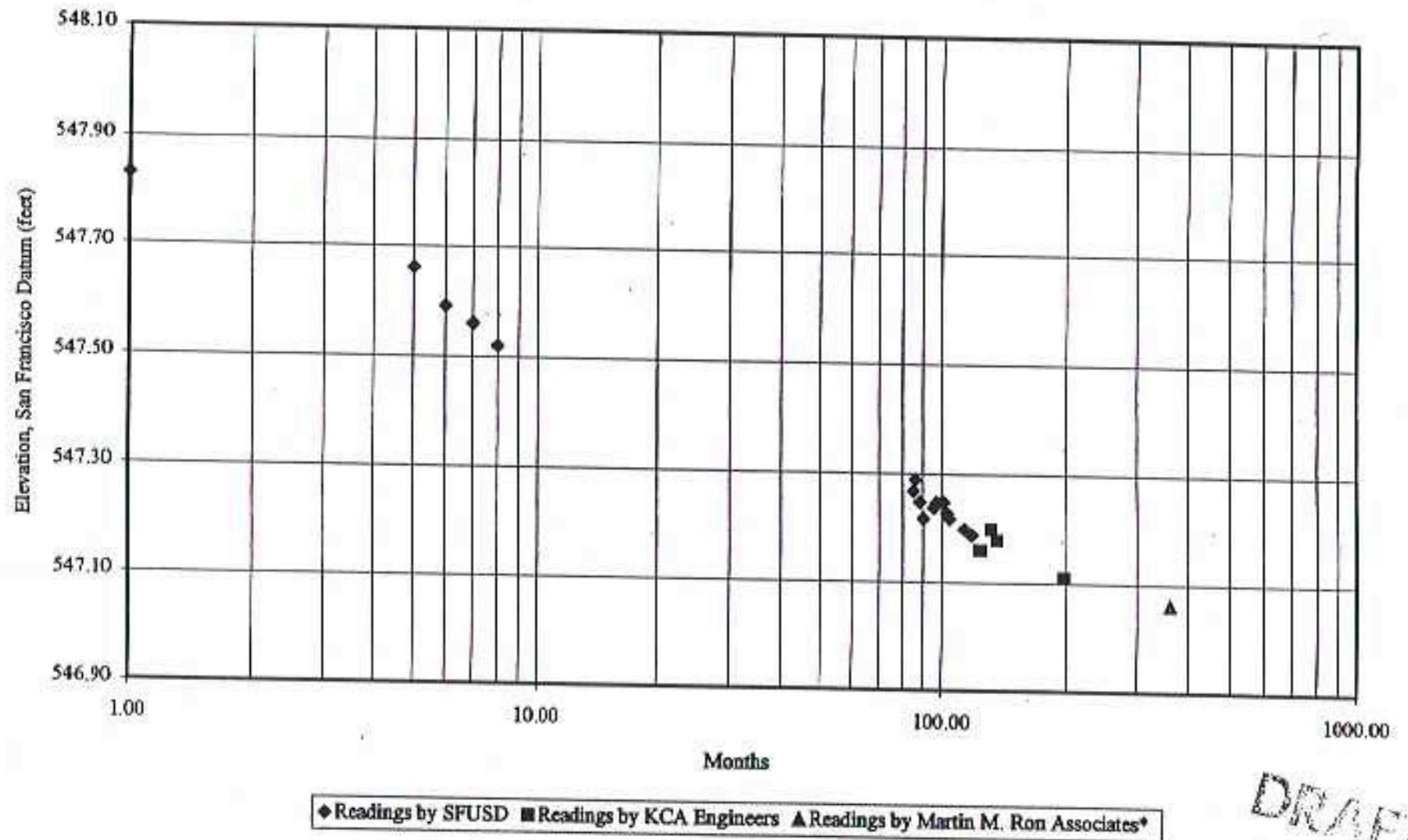


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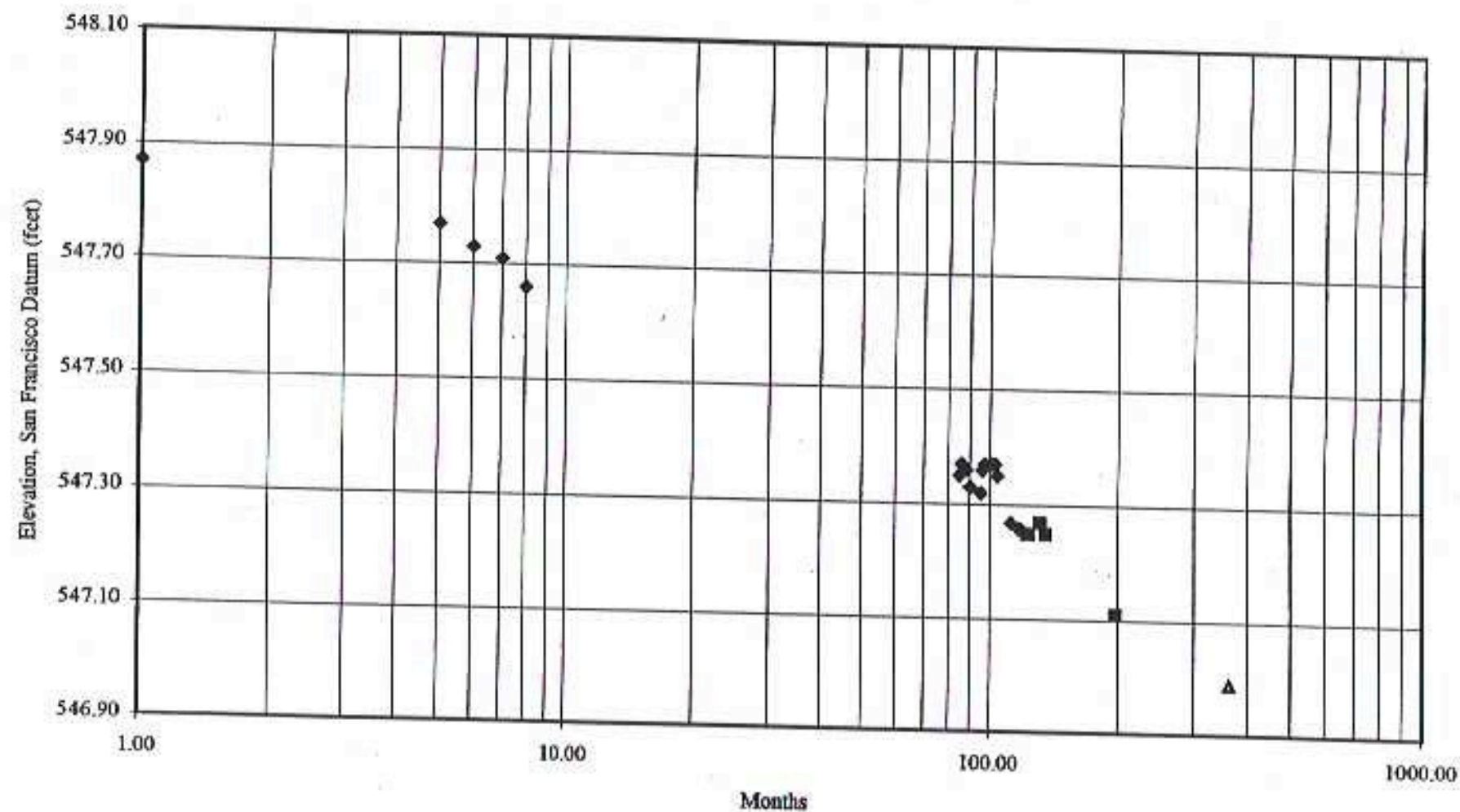
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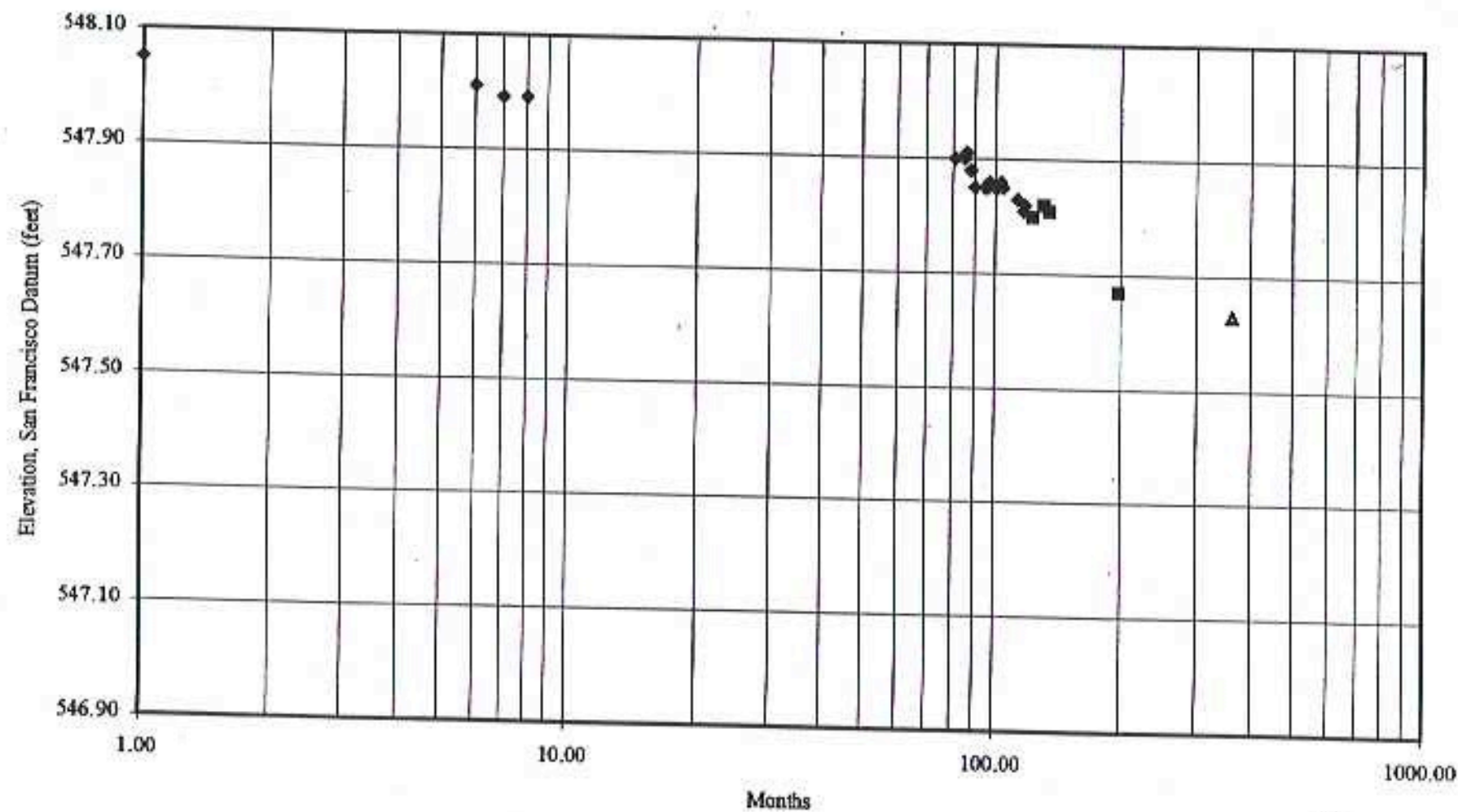


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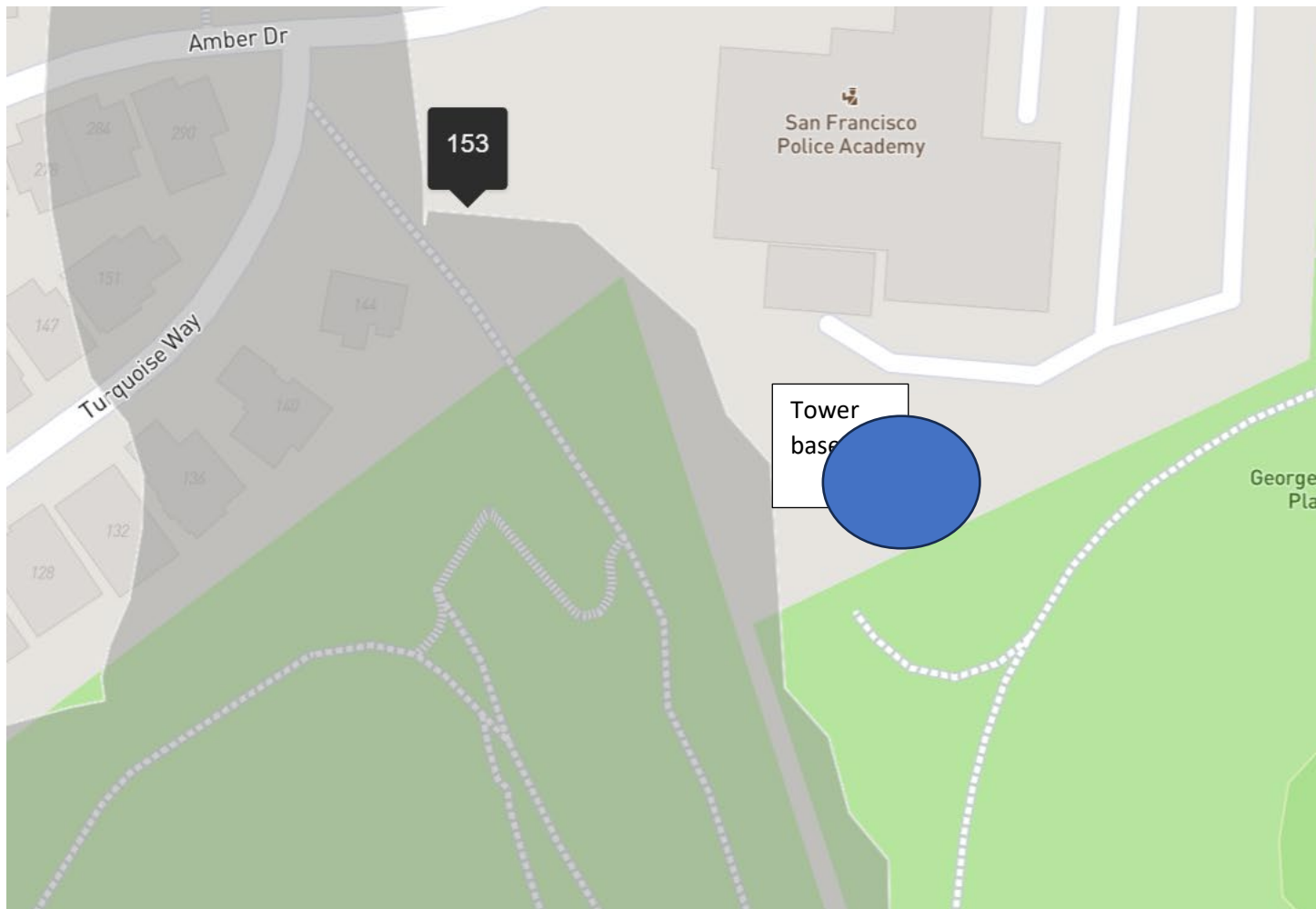
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Blue dot location of ATT proposed MACRO Tower SF Seismic Hazard Map. Gray area = seismic landslide area Green area on left = Glen Canyon Park
<https://data.sfgov.org/-/San-Francisco-Seismic-Hazard-Zones/7ahv-68ap>

From: [catherine dodd](#)
To: [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\)](#); [MandelmanStaff \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: support CEQA appeal for 350 AMBER
Date: Wednesday, November 26, 2025 12:02:03 PM
Attachments: [dodd letter nov 26.docx](#)

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May we all be well,
Catherine

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"How wonderful it is that no one need wait a single moment before starting to improve the world." Anne Frank

November 26, 2025

Supervisor Mandelman
Members of the SF Board of Supervisors
c/o Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
Re: SUPPORT-File No. 251094 - Appeal of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) exemption at 350 Amber Dr Project

Supervisor Mandelman and Members,

My name is Catherine Dodd. I have lived at 963 Duncan Street. I urge you to grant approval of the appeal for CEQA exemption for AT&T's proposed 104-foot wireless facility at 350 Amber Drive. As a Registered Nurse and former member of the SF Health Commission I have specific health concerns about the proposed tower related to HAZARDOUS fumes from the 190 gallon diesel back up generator which will be run at least once a month to be sure it is in working order as well as safety concerns about safety from fire (my home is along the border of Glen Canyon) and seismic risk. In addition I am concerned about the sensitive habitats for birds, other animals and the vegetation in Glen Canyon Park.

To begin with:

Class 3 exemption applies to small, minor additions to existing structures. This is a new major structure.

This is not a small minor addition. The proposed installation includes a 104 ft monopole (think 10 stories!) which may not be wide itself, and it will be placed on a 500 square foundation, it will have a massive bulky electric structure of 12 10ft tall antennas and 9 3ft tall radio antennas ontop of the monopole appearing 20 ft above the tree line towering over George Christopher playground and at above the skyline of Glen Canyon Park. ATT in a recent meeting did not rule out adding another layer of antennas to rent to other carriers so it may in fact become even bulkier and larger (the FCC regulations were weakened in 2018 so co-location does not require Planning Commission approval). ATT has added additional buildings and cabinetry and now is negotiating large a transformer as an electricity source. So the size of the project continues to expand. The photos and drawing renditions provided in the packet for the Planning Commission were taken and drawn from angles that did not represent the actual enormity of the structure.

San Francisco **has only two wireless antenna facilities over 100 feet high and both are in commercial zones and attached to buildings.**

No free-standing tower of this height or bulk exists in a residential neighborhood or next to parks.

This structure sets a dangerous precedent for all neighborhoods.

CEQA exceptions must be considered:

Location Safety Concerns

First, fire concerns. As neighbors near Glen Canyon we are hyper vigilant about fire safety given that the Canyon is one of only 3 designated "wildfire/wildland urban interface areas" (WUI) in San Francisco. A national telecom wildfire consultant confirmed that telecom fire is a real threat in this location. This proposed electrical tower will be built among the aging and highly flammable eucalyptus trees at the top of in Canyon Glen Park and around George Christopher Playground. An arborist opinion state: digging to

place the pole in bedrock which will likely damage the roots and kill the trees over time because the roots communicate with all the trees in the forest, this will add to fire and landslide danger. In addition, if you've ever been in the neighborhood you know that Diamond Hts is one of the windiest neighborhoods in SF and climate change brought us red flag warnings. If a gust of wind (like the one over 100mph in May of 2024 hits the bulky antenna structure and a part breaks loose and lands among the trees the fire begins. Should there be a fire, telecom towers must "power down" which can take longer than 30 minutes before water can be applied. Meanwhile evacuating the homes nearby, the 2 nursery schools, Silver Tree Day camp in the Canyon, the Christopher Playground and the shopping area will be chaotic at best. Adding to the fire danger is the required 190-gallon diesel backup generator, which must be "fired up" and tested regularly.

From a **health perspective this will create regular air quality hazards from diesel fumes putting children at two nearby nursery schools and at George Christopher Playground at risk. According to the California Lung association repeated exposures to small amounts of particulate matter that contains many dangerous and cancerous chemicals repeatedly over time must be avoided.** Lung disease and neurologic developmental issues are documented.

Early on San Francisco has converted MUNI to electric buses that children use for school and we passed laws to prevent tour buses from idling. **Children must not be exposed to dangerous fumes.**

Second, Landslides. The site actually sits on a 90-foot-deep ravine filled with **2 million cubic yards of infill** from dirt and rock pushed over from the adjacent Gold Mine and Red Rock Hills by the San Francisco Redevelopment Agency in 1960. ATT presented an inaccurate map to the Planning Commission. The map on page 1 of ATT's proposal identified as the *Plans for 350 Amber Drive* incorrectly and marks the flat area of infill supporting Christopher Park as Gold Mine Hill. While Gold Mine Hill is solid bedrock, it does not begin until beyond the southern border of Christopher Park, on the opposite side of the park from the Police Academy. **The proposed macro wireless tower is on infill, not Gold Mine Hill.** The area has a history of documented seismic and landslide hazards which was the reason for closing the Diamond Hts school (now the Police Academy).

According to USGS, **excavation** to bedrock and the tower's **weight** will increase landslide risk in this high-soil-saturation area. Add to that our El Nino atmospheric rivers with heavy rainfall and anticipated tree loss on the steep hillside below will erosion and instability will be accelerated.

And we must add the big earthquake we are due for, we have had a flurry in the bay area in the past month, which makes the location even more dangerous.

Biodiversity Resource Exception

Originally the territory of the Muwekma Ohlone Tribe, Glen Canyon Park, is a 70-acre natural oasis, and serves as a vital green space in the heart of San Francisco. It is surrounded by the Diamond Heights and Miraloma Park neighborhoods, which creates a unique urban wilderness experience. Glen Canyon Park was designated as a San Francisco "significant natural area" in 2006 and is home to many native grasses, and sensitive bird species. It is a critical urban wildlife habitat. The park plays a crucial role in prioritizing environmental stewardship among neighborhood and San Francisco residents who are actively involved in initiatives aimed at preserving its natural resources and educating children and the public about local ecology. Glen Canyon Park is home to several native San Francisco species, including the endangered San Francisco garter snake and the Mission blue butterfly. Wildlife observation is a popular activity

within the park, as it allows visitors and kids from *all over* San Francisco to gain a deeper understanding of the urban ecosystem. The forest and brush are an essential ecosystem for protection. The tower construction will damage this sensitive environment and disrupt wildlife corridors (as would a fire or landslide). **The health of the forest and plants and animals will be at risk if this ten story massive heavy tower is erected.**

Historic Resource Exception

The neighborhood is over 50 yrs old and an example of “modernist” architecture designed so homes would blend with the natural environment and preserve views of open space. The famous developer and builder Joseph Eichler and architect Claude Oakland designed and built homes in Diamond Heights. This antenna will ruin that open space and connection to the sky and to nature that creates the neighborhood’s uniqueness.

Misleading Claims

AT&T falsely claimed this massive tower is essential for 911 service and First Responders’ FirstNet access. According to Police Captain Newbeck and Fire Chief Crispen, First Responders are not required to use FirstNet. AT&T misled **4 members** of the Planning Commissioners to gain approval. In addition, FirstNET has technical equipment that can be added to strengthen signals. **A massive dangerous MACRO tower in a residential neighborhood in a seismic hazard and Urban Wildfire Interface is NOT necessary.** Lastly, ATT claimed (and their **propagation** maps show – the FCC requires dropped call logs) that some of their customers did not have good indoor reception. ATT is now offering fiber to the premises which will provide excellent indoor internet and access which will solve those issues in a hilly neighborhood such as Diamond Hts.

ATT customers all want good wireless coverage. Less invasive telecom alternatives exist to serve customers in the targeted coverage area. Other carriers provide adequate coverage in the neighborhoods identified without such *intrusive* infrastructure.

Massive structures like this **belong in industrial zones, not adjacent to parks, playgrounds, and homes** or in high fire WUI areas and landslide hazard zones.

Safety should be the priority of the Board of Supervisors, not the **business expansion for ATT.**

Supervisors, **you have the discretion** to make decisions about location and appropriateness of cell towers – I urge you to do so because RIGHT NOW Brendan Carr Trump’s FCC Director has posted regulations to take away local control of Telecom placement.

So please for the safety and well-being of the residents, visitors *and the environment* in and around Diamond Hts, George Christopher Playground, the cadets at the Police Academy, the Noe Valley Nursery School, St Nicholas Nursery School and Church, Glen Canyon and to grant the appeal, to deny the CEQA exemption for the Project and to require preparation of a full Environmental Impact Report (“EIR”) and review of all the alternatives and alternatives sites before any action may be taken on the Project at the proposed location of 350 Amber Drive. I further urge the Board of Supervisors to require a full and detailed geotechnical examination of the Project Site, which, in addition, addresses the facts of historic seismic failures on the Project site. All of our health and safety is in your hands.

Sincerely,

Catherine Dodd PhD RN

From: [Whitney Grover](#)
To: [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\)](#)
Cc: [Glenn Phillips](#)
Subject: Re: SUPPORT-File No. 251094 – Appeal: CEQA Class 3 Exemption
Date: Wednesday, November 26, 2025 11:42:34 AM
Attachments: [GGBA Comment Letter to Oppose Cell tower near Glen Canyon Nov 26, 2025.pdf](#)

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Hello,

Please see the attached letter for the support file No. 251094 from Golden Gate Bird Alliance.

Thank you,

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(She/Her)

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November 26, 2025

San Francisco Board of Supervisors
c/o Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
bos.legislation@sfgov.org

Re: SUPPORT-File No. 251094 – Appeal: CEQA Class 3 Exemption at 350 Amber Dr Project

Dear San Francisco Board of Supervisors,

We are writing to express our concerns for the electrical antennae tower at the 350 Amber Drive Project and its impacts on birds in Glen Canyon Park. Glen Canyon Park is a San Francisco designated Significant Natural Resource Area and the park has over 130 species of birds that rely on it for breeding grounds or critical overwintering habitat. The proposed tower has potential impacts such as bird and bat collision risk and increased artificial light at night.

Golden Gate Bird Alliance (formerly Golden Gate Audubon) is a non-profit organization whose mission is to inspire people to protect San Francisco and the Bay Area's birds, and our shared natural environment. For over 100 years we have been a leader in bird conservation and habitat protection. We envision a world where birds, wildlife, and all people flourish together.

Glen Canyon Park is particularly important for birds who utilize riparian habitat, as the Islais Creek flows through the park and supports willows and other species, as well as grassland habitat in the hills and rocky high elevation areas. These ecosystem types are rare in San Francisco due to human development and the patches in Glen Canyon are important as havens for the bird species that rely on these habitats.

Bird species identified by National Audubon as most susceptible to declines due to climate change such as Allen's Hummingbird and Dark-eyed Junco breed in the park. Additionally many raptors such as Great-horned Owls, Red-tailed Hawks, Red-shouldered Hawks, and Cooper's Hawks have bred in the park consistently over the years.

Additionally, San Francisco is on the Pacific Flyway, an ancient migratory path used by hundreds of migratory birds. Most birds migrate at night and bright artificial lights at night cause increased collisions with buildings and towers, cause them to veer off course, and stopover more frequently, putting them at risk of harm from other anthropogenic direct threats. The lights required for the tower would add to this artificial light pollution.

Thank you for your consideration,

A handwritten signature in purple ink that reads "Glenn Phillips".

Glenn Phillips
Executive Director

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From: [Bram Van Riet](#)
To: [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\)](#)
Cc: [Ho, Calvin \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Support CEQA Exemption Appeal - AT&T Tower at 350 Amber Drive File No. 251094
Date: Wednesday, November 26, 2025 11:29:37 AM

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Dear Supervisor Rafael Mandelman and Members of the San Francisco Board of Supervisors
c/o Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

Re: SUPPORT — File No. 251094 — Appeal of CEQA Exemption for AT&T Proposal at 350 Amber Drive

Dear Supervisors,

My name is Bram Van Riet and I live in this district. I write in strong support of the appeal of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) exemption for AT&T's proposed 104-foot wireless facility at 350 Amber Drive. Diamond Heights neighbors have legitimate environmental and safety concerns, and this project, as currently proposed, is not appropriate for a residential neighborhood or for a site adjacent to Glen Canyon Park and George Christopher Playground.

Project scale and precedent

Class 3 CEQA exemptions are intended for minor additions to existing structures. This proposal is neither minor nor an addition. It would install a freestanding 104-foot monopole (roughly the height of a ten-story building) on a 500-square-foot foundation, topped with a large array of antennas and associated equipment, including twelve 10-foot antennas and nine 3-foot radios, plus new cabinets and buildings on the site.

AT&T has not ruled out adding additional antenna layers for other carriers, and is now discussing a transformer and additional infrastructure. The applicant's photos and renderings understate the tower's actual bulk and visual impact. San Francisco has only two wireless facilities over 100 feet, both attached to buildings in commercial zones; there are no freestanding towers of this height in residential neighborhoods or next to parks. Approving this installation would set a dangerous precedent.

Safety concerns

Fire risk - Glen Canyon and the surrounding neighborhood are highly focused on fire and earthquake preparedness. The canyon is one of only three designated wildland-urban interface areas in San Francisco. A national telecom wildfire consultant has confirmed that a telecom installation presents a fire risk at this location. Construction will require deep excavation into bedrock that risks damaging mature oak and eucalyptus roots, potentially killing trees and increasing fire and landslide hazards. Diamond Heights is one of the windiest areas in the city and we experienced red-flag warnings last year; in a fire event telecom towers must be powered down, sometimes for longer than 30 minutes, which can delay firefighting efforts and complicate evacuation of nearby homes, two nursery schools, the Silver Tree day camp, the playground, and adjacent commercial areas.

Air quality and generator use - the project requires a 190-gallon diesel backup generator that must be tested regularly. This will create recurring air quality impacts for children at nearby childcare facilities and users of George Christopher Playground.

Landslide & seismic risk - The proposed site sits above a 90-foot-deep ravine filled with approximately two million cubic yards of infill placed in the 1960s. AT&T's plans presented an inaccurate map to the Planning Commission that incorrectly labels the infill area as Gold Mine Hill bedrock. The tower would sit on infill,

not solid bedrock. The area has a documented history of seismic and landslide hazards, a principal reason the former Diamond Heights school was closed. According to USGS guidance, excavation to bedrock and the added weight of a tower can increase landslide risk in high-soil-saturation areas. With El Niño-driven atmospheric rivers and the potential loss of stabilizing trees, erosion and slope instability will be accelerated, risks made worse by the large earthquake we are overdue for.

Biodiversity and park impacts

Glen Canyon Park is a 70-acre natural oasis and a designated “significant natural area” with native grasses and sensitive bird and wildlife species. It is an important urban wildlife habitat and educational resource for residents and children. The proposed tower and associated construction would damage habitat, disrupt wildlife corridors, and threaten the park’s ecological integrity, impacts that would be compounded by fire or landslide.

Historic and neighborhood character

Diamond Heights is a neighborhood with more than 50 years of history and a modernist design ethos: homes and open space were designed to blend with the natural environment and preserve views of the sky and canyon. The proposed monopole would dominate that visual landscape and destroy the relationship to open space and nature that gives this neighborhood its character.

Misleading claims and alternatives

AT&T has claimed the tower is essential for 911 service and FirstNet access for first responders. San Francisco Police and Fire leadership have made clear that FirstNet is not mandatory for first responders; supplemental FirstNet equipment or other technical solutions can strengthen coverage without a dangerous macro tower in this location. AT&T’s maps also suggest some customers have poor indoor reception, but the company is now offering fiber to the premises — a less invasive solution that improves indoor service in hilly neighborhoods.

AT&T customers deserve reliable service, but less intrusive alternatives are available and in use by other carriers. Massive freestanding structures belong in industrial or commercial zones, not adjacent to parks, playgrounds, childcare centers, and homes. Safety and community welfare must outweigh a private carrier’s expansion priorities.

Requested action

For these reasons, I urge the Board of Supervisors to grant the appeal of the CEQA exemption and require a full Environmental Impact Report that evaluates reasonable alternatives. The EIR should include a detailed geotechnical investigation addressing the known seismic and landslide risks, an evaluation of fire and air quality impacts (including diesel generator use and testing), and thorough consideration of less intrusive solutions for improving wireless coverage.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Bram Van Riet
Diamond Heights resident

From: sfollansbe@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Stephen Follansbee](#)
To: [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: I am writing to you today regarding the appeal of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) exemption at 350 Amber Dr Project
Date: Wednesday, November 26, 2025 9:36:54 AM

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Dear Legislative Services,

I support the Diamond Hts neighbors' legitimate environmental and safety concerns. Please grant approval of the appeal for CEQA exemption for AT&T's proposed 104-foot wireless facility.

Allowing this "exemption" sets a dangerous precedent for all neighborhoods.

The proposed massive 10-story monopole built on a 500 sqft pad will extend 20 feet above the tree line, topped with a bulky electric macro antenna towering over George Christopher Park, next to Glen Canyon, and visible to residents throughout the neighborhood.

This is not a "small addition to an existing structure" nor a "new" structure! It is one of only two wireless antenna facilities over 100 feet high, and both are in commercial zones and attached to buildings and other less tall facilities are near freeways or in industrial areas.

There are NO free-standing towers of this height or bulk in residential neighborhoods or next to parks.

Location and unusual circumstances were not considered such as the critical natural resource of the Glen Canyon Park, and the unusual circumstances of history of the seismic landslide failures on the Site, the high potential of fire in the park and surrounding neighborhood and chemical hazards.

Glen Canyon Park is on the property line. It is designated as a SF "significant natural area" with many fragile examples of biodiversity-supporting native grasses, and sensitive bird species. It is a critical urban wildlife habitat. The forest and brush are an essential ecosystem. The tower construction will damage this sensitive environment and disrupt wildlife corridors (as will a fire or landslide).

Safety concerns - A national telecom wildfire consultant stated this location is a real telecom fire threat. The site is within a designated "wildfire/wildland urban interface areas" and will be built among the aging trees. A certified arborist stated: digging to place the pole in bedrock will likely damage the roots and kill the trees (adding to landslide risk). Diamond Hts is one of the windiest neighborhoods and had red flag warnings last year. Towers must be powered down before applying water and evacuating the homes, nursery schools, the playground and shopping will be chaotic. Adding to the fire danger is the required 190-gallon diesel backup generator, which must be tested regularly. It will cause air quality hazards for children at nearby nursery schools Christopher Playground.

-The location sits on infill in a documented seismic and landslide hazard zone. According to USGS, excavation to bedrock and the tower's weight will increase landslide risk in this high-soil-saturation area. Heavy rainfall and anticipated tree loss on the steep hillside below will accelerate erosion and instability as will an earthquake.

The neighborhood is an Historic Resource; including the St Nicholas Church built in 1964. Most homes in the neighborhood are over 50 yrs old, and an example of "modernist" architecture designed so they would blend with the natural environment preserving views of open space.

AT&T falsely claimed this massive tower is essential for 911 service and First Responders' FirstNet access.

According to Police the Captain and Fire Chief Crispen, First Responders are not required to use FirstNet. AT&T misled Planning Commissioners to gain approval.

ATT customers want good wireless service and less invasive alternatives do exist to serve customers in the targeted area. Other carriers provide coverage without such intrusive towers.

Massive structures like this do not belong in landslide and fire zones and adjacent to parks, playgrounds, and homes. Safety must be the priority of the Board of Supervisors. I urge you to grant the appeal of the CEQA exemption.

Sincerely,
Stephen Follansbee

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From: [Glen Park Neighborhoods History Project](#)
To: [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [MandelmanStaff \(BOS\)](#); [Ho, Calvin \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: CEQA EXEMPTION Appeal, 350 Amber Drive
Date: Wednesday, November 26, 2025 8:47:45 AM
Attachments: [ERose CEQA Letter SFBoardofSupervisors Nov26 2025 final-all.pdf](#)

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To the Honorable Members of the San Francisco Board of Supervisors,

Please find attached my letter of opposition to the AT&T mono tower in Diamond Heights due to risks of geologic instability, fire, environmental hazards, and the importance of Diamond Heights as a historic district, all of which AT&T has failed to address. The selection of this site defies logic, and does not align with the stated mission of Reliant SF.

Therefore, for the reasons summarized in the attached document, I urge that you **please overturn the CEQA exemption** that was approved by the San Francisco Planning Department in September 2025.

Please feel free to reach out for questions.

Thank you in advance for your kind consideration,

Evelyn

Evelyn Rose, PharmD (*she/her/hers*)

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November 26, 2025

To: Rafael Mandelman, President, San Francisco Board of Supervisors
All Members, San Francisco Board of Supervisors

Re: **CEQA EXEMPTION Appeal**, 350 Amber Drive, San Francisco, CA (7521/005)
Record Number: 2024-004318CUASHD

Dear Honorable Members of the San Francisco Board of Supervisors,

The CEQA exemption that was granted for this project by the San Francisco Planning Commission in September **must be overturned**.

As you know, this site, situated between the San Francisco Police Academy and Christopher Park in Diamond Heights, has been chosen for installation of a massive wireless mono tower. However, **there are serious geological and environmental concerns about the safety of the above location that AT&T has failed to address**.

Moreover, AT&T's plan and the concerns expressed below do not align with the stated goals of **Resilient SF**, whose [strategic vision](#) is "**Stronger Today, Stronger Tomorrow**." [Specifically](#), "The Office of Resilience and Capital Planning **promotes the preservation and sustainability of San Francisco's public capital assets and the city's overall resilience to acute shocks and chronic stresses**."

In summary:

- The map published by AT&T showing that Christopher Park sits on top of Gold Mine Hill is wrong.¹ The site actually sits on a 90-foot-deep ravine filled with **2 million cubic yards of landfill** from dirt and rock pushed over from the adjacent Gold Mine and Red Rock Hills by the San Francisco Redevelopment Agency in 1960.²⁻⁴
- The landfill created a large flat area for the development of a Diamond Heights Neighborhood Center that included Diamond Heights Elementary School – today's Police Academy at 350 Amber Drive.^{3,4}
- Therefore, the proposed mono tower would **stand on landfill, not bedrock**. AT&T is **completely silent** about the geology of the site. They have not made any geological

assessment or described how the 104-foot-tall tower will be constructed and anchored into the ground.

- **This landfill is historically unstable.** In 1976,⁵ 9-year-old Diamond Heights Elementary School was closed “...immediately because it is sinking and sliding down the hill...Soil engineers say the landfill under the school is subsiding by 1-1/2 inches per year and is moving horizontally at a rate of 3 inches per year.” This was due to increased water moisture in the soil that, “...changes the density of the fill causing it to consolidate because of the extra weight of the water. And that, in turn, **causes whatever is built on it to sink and slide.**”⁶
- Five hundred students were moved to other schools “because the building **might not be safe in an earthquake.**”^{7,8} The north wing eventually stopped sinking and was purchased by the Board of Supervisors in 1985 for conversion into the Police Academy.^{9,10}
- The release of underground water via seepage continues to plague the landfill, requiring major trail repair of the east wall of Glen Canyon in the last decade.
- Hundreds of thousands of pounds of extra weight are planned for installation in the landfill **south of the unstable south wing** of the elementary school.
- The **digging of 165-foot trenches** on the south and southwest perimeter of the school buildings **could serve to further destabilize the landfill and increase slipping and sliding** under the Police Academy, Christopher Park, and eastern wall of Glen Canyon.
- If built, the tower and **190-gallon diesel fuel tank** could also “sink and slide,” **creating a significant risk for injury, damage to property, and fire.** Mono towers are known to carry significant risks for fire.
 - A wildfire-telecom expert has stated that there are direct and significant fire risks and hazards given **this mono tower’s proposed location, which is classified as an Urban Wildfire/Wildland Interface risk area in proximity to combustible materials.**
 - The proposal specifically includes a **190-gallon diesel fuel tank in immediate proximity to highly combustible trees and vegetation in Glen Canyon.**

- The potential fire impacts are especially concerning in light of the Project site's proximity to **the Significant Natural Resource Area known as Glen Canyon Park**, residences, nursery school, George Christopher Playground and recreational areas, and the shopping center. The **190-gallon diesel backup generator** needed for this large electrical structure is sited immediately next to aging oak and eucalyptus trees and must be regularly started for testing; **just one spark** generated during gusts of Diamond Heights' well-known strong winds would be disastrous.
- **Residents do not want to risk the occurrence of catastrophic fires such as those experienced in Palisades and Altadena in Los Angeles in January 2025.**
- Leaked diesel fuel absorbed into seepage may create an environmental hazard for Christopher Park and **Glen Canyon**, the latter designated as a **Significant Natural Resource Area**.¹¹ Its biological diversity is reflective of prehistoric San Francisco. Glen Canyon is the site of an important **bird habitat**, and the **endangered Mission Blue butterfly** and **endangered San Francisco garter snake**, as well as many examples of native plants. Its 70 acres is beloved by neighbors and visitors for public recreation, birdwatching, hiking, and is a key segment of the San Francisco Crosstown Trail.
- The abrupt impact of an earthquake and longer-term effects associated with climate change and the anticipated increase in precipitation is unknown.
- *The Hazards and Resilience Plan* by the City and County of San Francisco (2022)¹² states that landslides and minor debris flows were reported during the El Niño storms of February 1998 in Diamond Heights (according to reports by the SF Chief Building Inspector).
- This report also cites the California Geological Survey that, "steep slopes on hills and cliffs and intermediate slopes with previous landslide deposits are highly susceptible to landslides. In addition, weak saturated soils that are bordered by steep or unsupported embankments or slopes are prone to lateral spreading, which is a type of landslide."
 - **The latter statement is a perfect description for the proposed site of the AT&T mono tower.**

- The Hazards and Resilience Plan also notes that “Glen Canyon Park and Diamond Heights have moderate-fire risk, supporting our concerns about the risk of fire if the diesel fuel container leaks or tips over.
- *The Geology of San Francisco, California*,¹³ by the Association of Environmental & Engineering Geologists publication (2018) describing the geology of San Francisco **identify Diamond Heights as an area with "historical slope failures."** Please refer to the attached map that depicts the geology of the area.
- Lastly, according to the [San Francisco Planning Department in a Historic Resource Evaluation Response for a property at 241 Amber Drive, dated June 13, 2018, page 6](#), the property is located within the “**Diamond Heights Stage 1 historic district eligible for listing in the California Register under Criterion 1** as an important component of the larger Diamond Heights Redevelopment Project Area that had a major impact on San Francisco's built environment, and Criterion 3 as a cohesive large scale tract development of Modern residences developed by some of San Francisco's most important architects and developers.” These architects and developers included Joseph Eichler, Vernon DeMars, Claude Oakland, Raymond Galli, among others.
 - Certainly, **a 10-story tall mono tower that will permanently disfigure the San Francisco skyline was not in the minds of any of these developers who intentionally designed Diamond Heights as a low-profile Modernist development** in the mid-20th century.
- I am not a geologist but based on the geologic history of this site and the historic instability of 2 million cubic yards of landfill, with the risks of high-magnitude earthquakes and increased precipitation due to climate change, and the impact on a Significant Natural Resource Area as well as an adjacent historic district, common sense alone says that 350 Amber Drive is the last place AT&T should be building a mono tower. **This issue requires further evaluation, particularly in light of the geologic and fire risks introduced by the plan.**

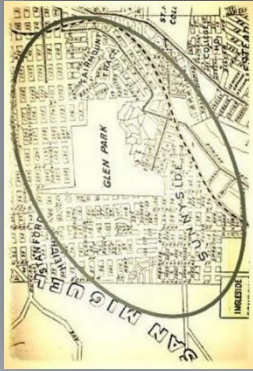
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Please see attachment.

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Image 1: ATT Vicinity Map

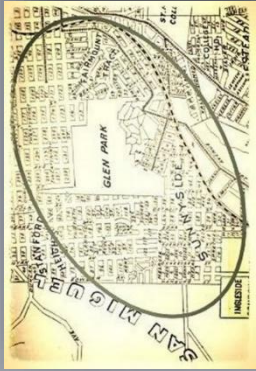
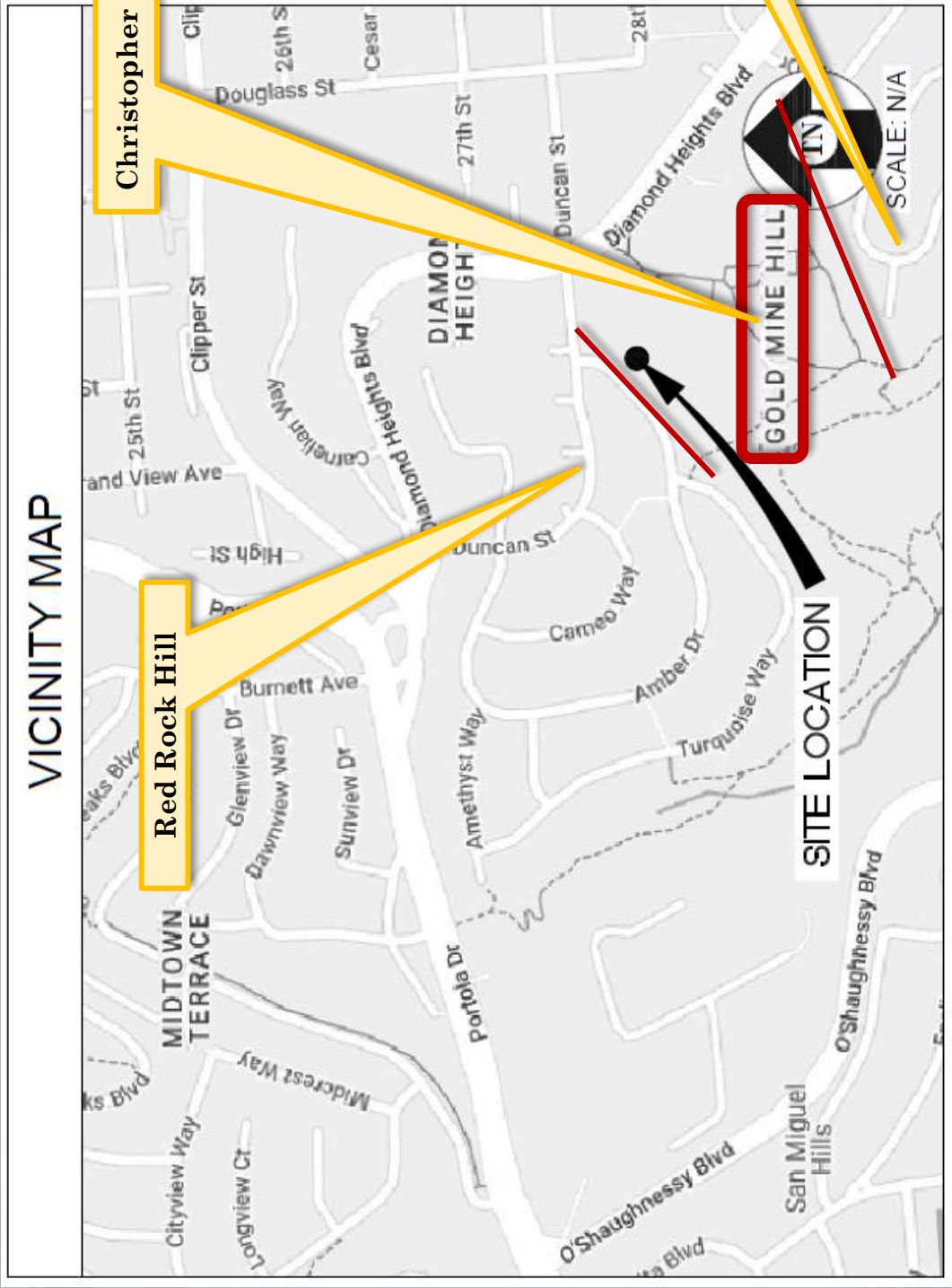


Image 2: DH Neighborhood Center

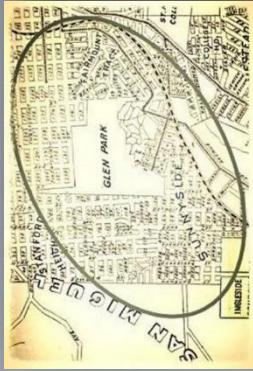
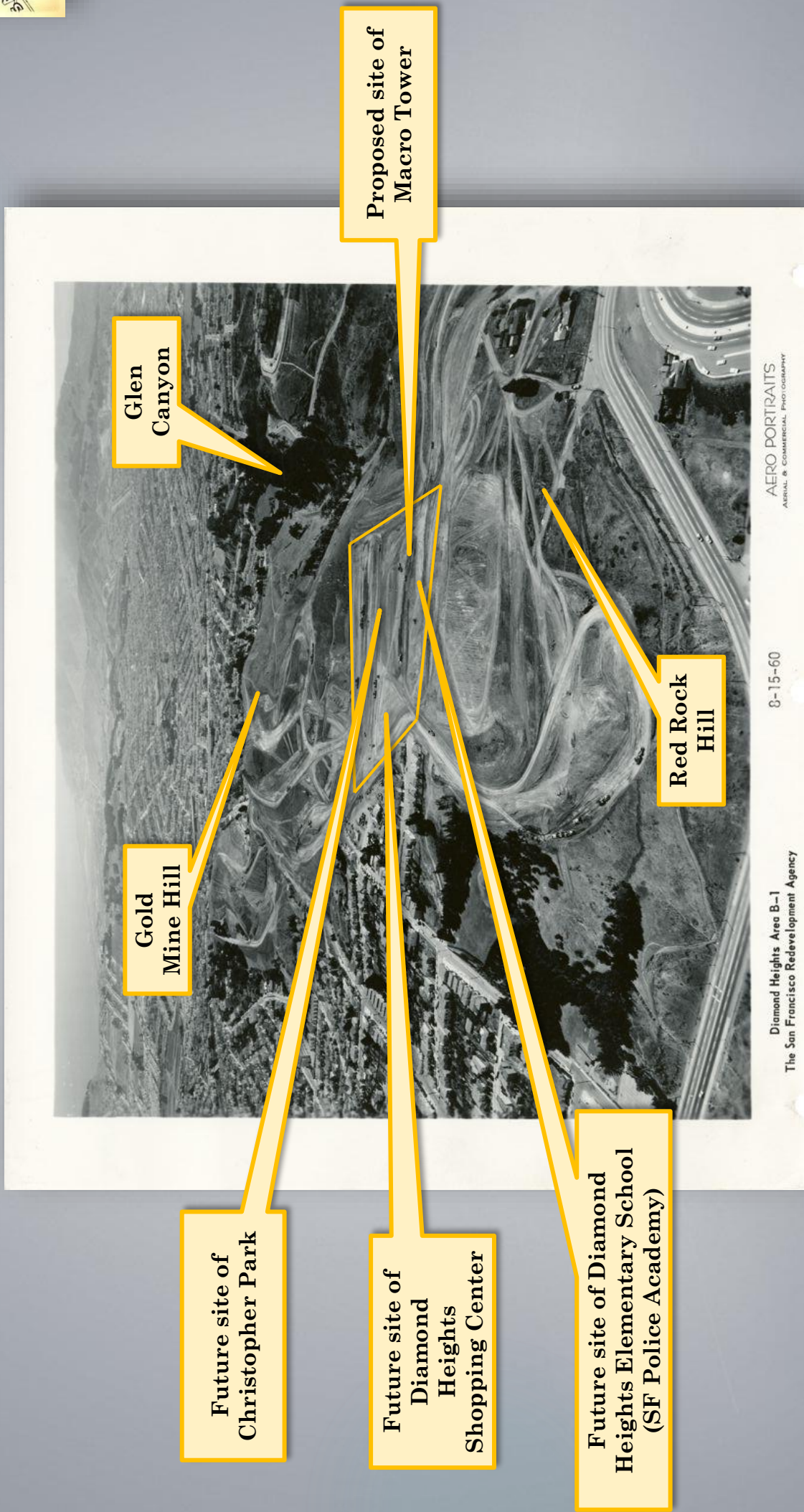
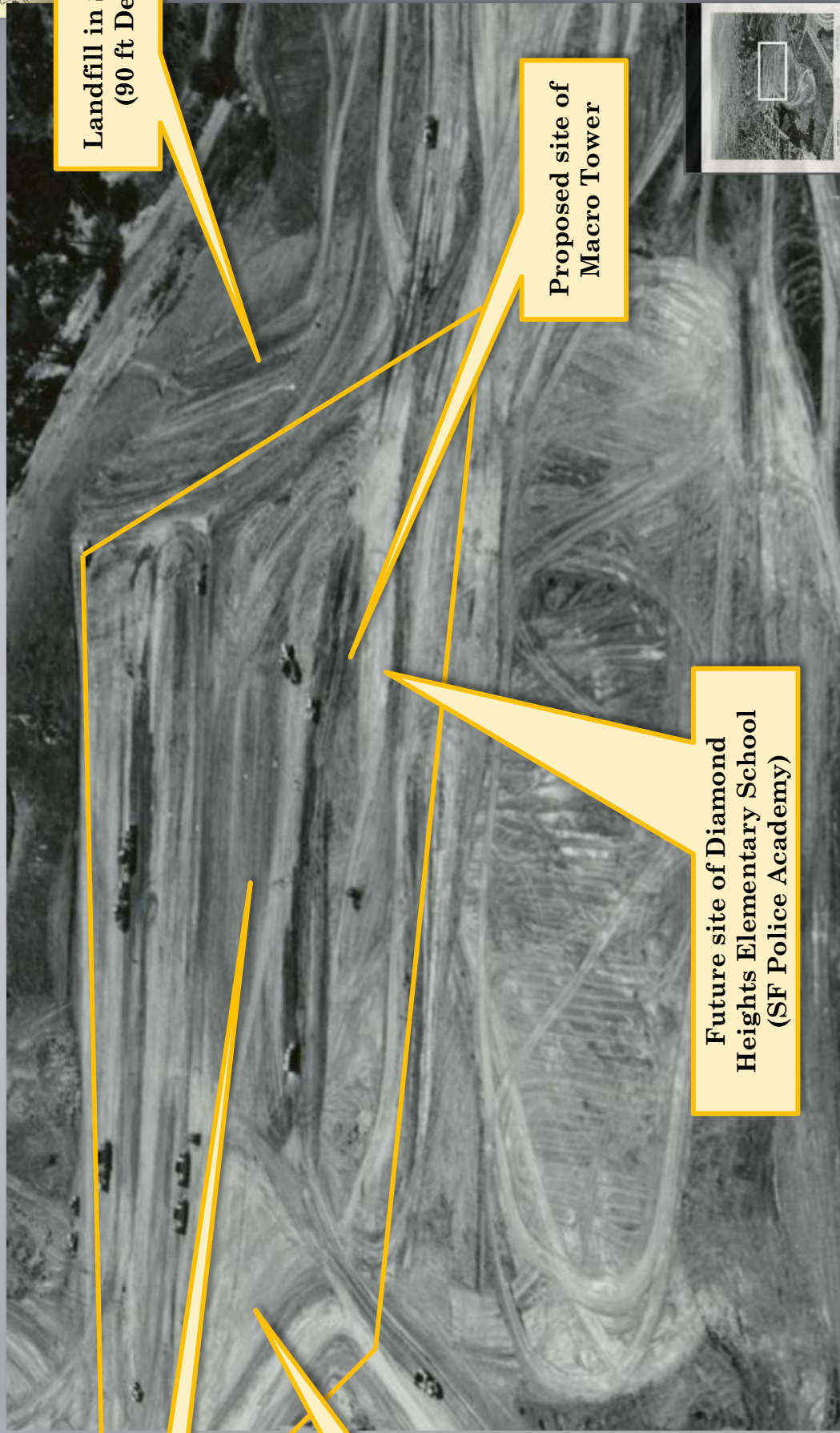
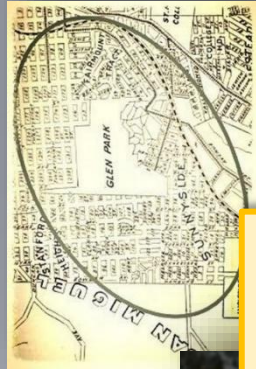


Image 3: DH Neighborhood Center



**Landfill in Saddle
(90 ft Deep)**

**Proposed site of
Macro Tower**

**Future site of Diamond
Heights Elementary School
(SF Police Academy)**

**Future site of
Christopher Park**

**Future site of
Diamond
Heights
Shopping Center**

Diamond Heights Area B-1, the San Francisco Redevelopment Agency, 8-15-60, [AAZ-0830](#). Archived at the San Francisco History Center, San Francisco Public Library.

Image 4: DH Elementary School Sinks

The sad and strange slide of Diamond Heights school

By Nancy Dooley
Education Writer

School Supt. Robert Alioto will ask the school board next week to close Diamond Heights Elementary School because it is both sinking and sliding down the hill on which it is built.

Alioto said soil engineers estimate the landfill under the school is subsiding at the rate of one-and-a-half inches a year and is moving horizontally at the rate of three inches a year.

He recommended the closing because of the "unstable soil condition and the hazard to the safety of the building and its occupants."

Since the school was built nine years ago, it has settled a total of nine inches.

"The school is both sliding and sinking," Alioto said.

"There is no other alternative but to close the school."

Located at 350 Amber Drive, at the foot of Twin Peaks, the school has 485 fourth, fifth and sixth-graders. It has also enrolled about 225 students for summer-school classes.

Alioto said the students will have to go elsewhere, but he does not yet know where.

The 17-classroom school was built on a five-acre section of Red Rock Hill as part of the 32-acre Diamond Heights redevelopment project.

The site was originally graded and filled by the redevelopment agency in 1961 and was purchased by the school district in 1964. Construction at a cost of \$800,000 was completed in July 1967.

Six months later, the central portion of the school settled about five-and-a-half inches.

Associate Supt. Milton Belterman said teachers almost immediately had trouble opening and



CUSTODIAN JOHN CASE CHECKS CRACKS IN WALL
Structure is moving sideways and down at same time

closing doors and windows, and some beams had to be repaired.

In 1970, the district spent \$15,600 for "cosmetic" repairs when engineers thought the soil subsidence had stopped.

Three years later, however, a two-story classroom wing began to settle, and by last year the school had sunk eight inches.

George Hervert, a soil engineer, thinks an increase in the landfill's moisture content, controlled by the amount of ground water in the surrounding hills, is responsible for the problem.

The moisture content has increased from 60 per cent in 1960 to 90 per cent last year.

Hervert said the main problem is probably at George Christopher Playground, below the school, where the landfill is deepest. When the soil there subsides, it causes the soil beneath the school to sink.

Alioto said he will recommend

an immediate investigation so the district can sue the responsible parties. He declined to place the blame anywhere yesterday.

The school, which has cracks in its walls and on the playground, is now worth about \$3 million, Alioto called the closing temporary, but said he was unsure whether the school could be shored up or would have to be torn down.

Nearby McAteer High School has not had any sinking or sliding, although a redevelopment agency spokesman said there have been some complaints of settlement and slide conditions elsewhere in the Diamond Heights project besides the elementary school.

He called the soil conditions "a mystery" and said the landfill and construction was done after "advance exploration."

The PTA announced a community meeting to discuss the problem at 7 p.m. tomorrow in the McAteer cafeteria.

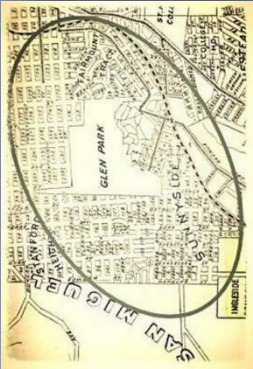
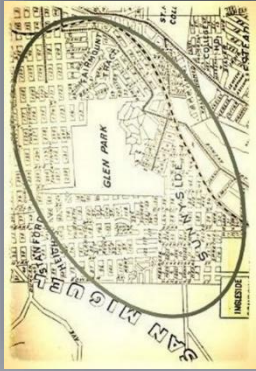


Image 5: Modern Seepage in the Landfill



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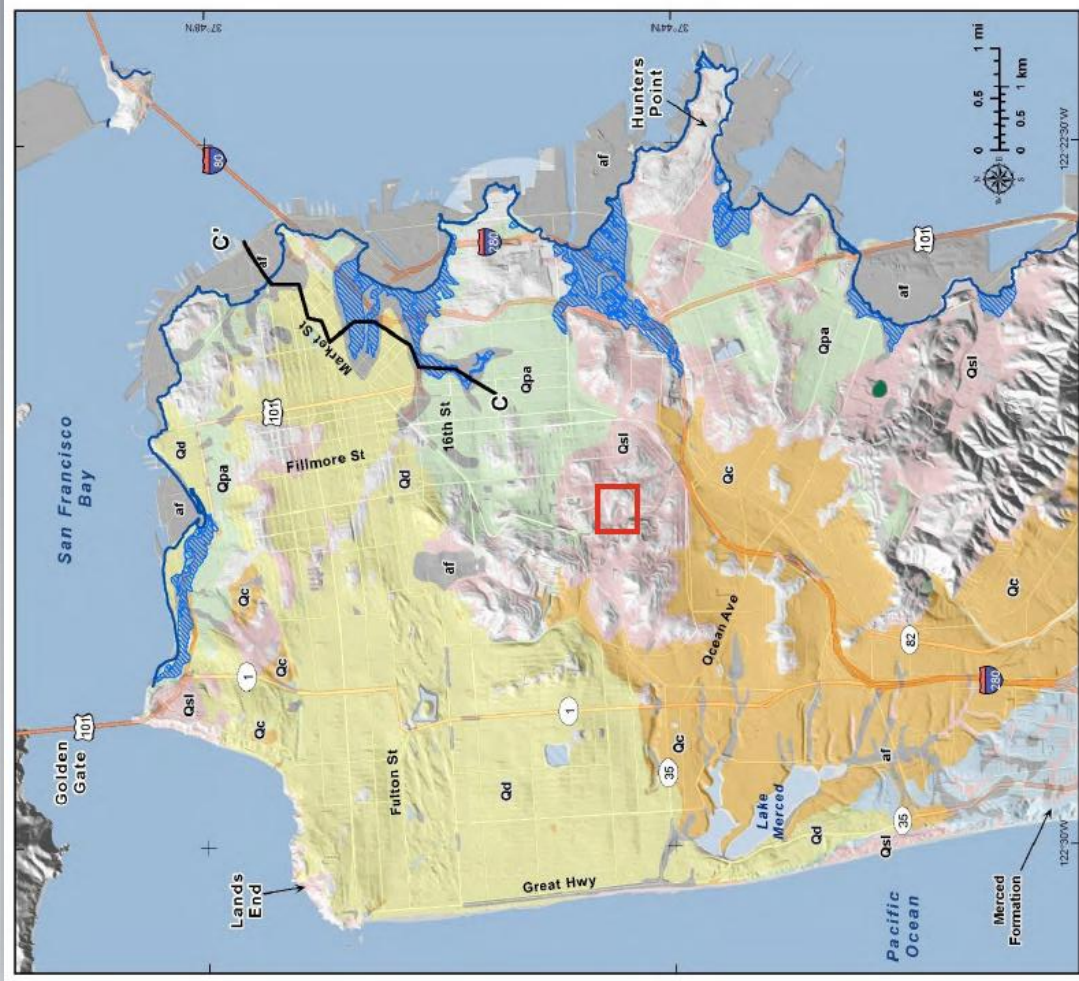
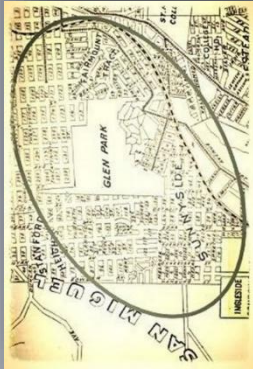
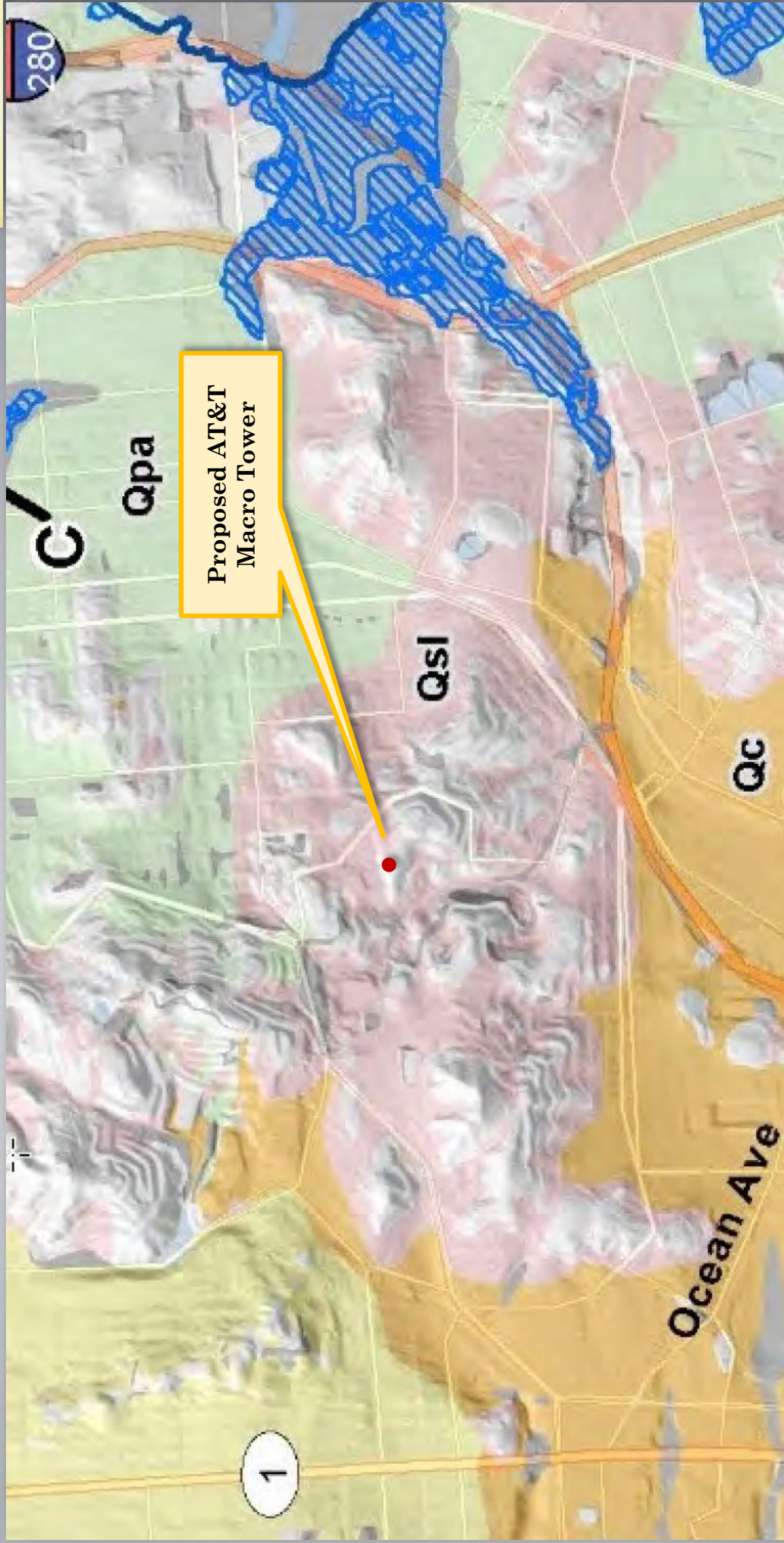


Figure 39. Geologic map of San Francisco illustrating Quaternary units (Graymer et al., 2006). Franciscan Complex Bedrock is not shown. Units include: Gray= Artificial Fill (AF), Pink= Landslide and hillslope deposits (Qsl), Yellow = Sand dunes (Qd), Orange = Colma Formation (Qc), green = older Quaternary Alluvium (Qpa); Merced Formation = light blue. Also shown is location of the shoreline in 1850 (blue dashed line) and the extent of historic marshes from 1898 (blue cross hatch pattern) (Sowers et al., 2007). Note: Young Bay mud is covered by artificial fill in San Francisco. C-C' cross section is from Schlocker (1974) and is shown in Figure 40.



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From: [Linda English](#)
To: [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\)](#)
Cc: [Ho, Calvin \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Subject: Support CEQA Exemption Appeal - AT&T Tower at 350 Amber Drive File No. 251094
Date: Wednesday, November 26, 2025 7:26:15 AM

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Dear Rafael Mandelman,

And Members of the SF Board of Supervisors

Supervisors,

I have lived at 961 Duncan for 2 1/2 years. I am writing to urge you to grant the appeal of the Planning Commission's CEQA exemption for the proposed 104-foot AT&T tower at 350 Amber Drive. This is PUBLIC property that ATT will make a profit from selling to new customers beyond the neighborhood.

I live near Glen Canyon and frequently I walk my dogs around Christopher playground where this giant antenna would change the trees and the very nature of the park and be a major fire danger.

This is not a "small minor structure." It does not qualify for a Class 3 CEQA exemption. It is a 10-story industrial facility with a 500-square-foot foundation, a 190-gallon diesel fuel tank, and extensive electrical equipment. It would be one of only two wireless facilities over 100 feet high in San Francisco, and the only free-standing tower of this height in a residential neighborhood adjacent to parks.

My primary concerns are safety because my bedroom, living room and dining room windows are directly across from the proposed site!

Fire Risk: The site is classified as an Urban Wildfire/Wildland Interface risk area. The 190-gallon diesel backup generator for this massive electrical structure sits immediately next to aging oak and eucalyptus trees and must be tested monthly. These generators can cause fires. Telecom towers must power down before firefighters can apply water, causing dangerous delays. One spark in Diamond Heights' strong winds could be catastrophic for Glen Canyon Park, George Christopher Playground, the nearby nursery school, homes, and the shopping center. Fires are more and more common: Oakland Hills, Sonoma County, Monterey, Pacific Palisades. Climate changes is here to stay and SF had its first Red Flag Days last year. We need to plan to prevent fires in Urban Wildfire Interface Areas, not provide incendiary opportunities for fires to start.

Seismic/Landslide Risk: The location is mapped as an earthquake and landslide zone by both the California Department of Conservation and San Francisco's Seismic Hazard Map. The Police Academy site has a documented history of seismic failures. A 104-foot tower weighing several tons on a 500-square-foot base in unstable soil (which will be made more unstable by the need to dig 30-60 feet to place the pole) poses significant landslide and soil failure risks which would be disastrous in an earthquake.

Environmental Impact: Glen Canyon Park is one of San Francisco's "significant natural resource areas" famous for the rare blue mission butterfly. The construction of the tower would damage the forest's roots which provide home to sensitive bird habitats that nest in the trees, coyote bush and tall grasses. A fire or landslide would eliminate the Canyon's flora and fauna. This tower would permanently blight the Diamond Heights historic "modernist" neighborhood, designed to blend buildings with nature and preserve views and open space.

AT&T claims this tower is essential for 911 service and FirstNet, but our Fire Chief confirmed that 911 calls do not rely on one specific network, and neither the Fire Chief nor the Police Captain state that FirstNet is required on First Responder phones. Other carriers provide coverage in this area without such intrusive structures.

The four Commissioners who approved the CEQA Class 3 Exemption ignored expert testimony and legitimate safety concerns. If this industrial structure is approved in a landslide and fire zone next to two parks and close to 2 nursery schools and a kids playground, AT&T will demand similar massive towers in other neighborhoods using FirstNET or lack of coverage asserted by "their independent consultants" as their excuse. Other carriers in the neighborhood are available as is fiber to the premises. In this time of innovation, it's a sad comment that ATT is still using old invasive technology. Perhaps their real goal is to expand their market far beyond this neighborhood.

The FCC still allows local government to determine where cell towers are placed. Please make sure they are safe and meet state laws and the SF General Plan.

I urge you to grant the appeal and require a full Environmental Impact Report examining all alternatives, including a detailed geotechnical study addressing the site's documented seismic failures.

Safety must be the Board of Supervisors' priority.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Linda English

961 Duncan Street

From: hawtchopsticks@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Tran Siegel](#)
To: [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: I am writing to you today regarding the appeal of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) exemption at 350 Amber Dr Project
Date: Wednesday, November 26, 2025 7:24:30 AM

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Dear Legislative Services,

I support the Diamond Hts neighbors' legitimate environmental and safety concerns. Please grant approval of the appeal for CEQA exemption for AT&T's proposed 104-foot wireless facility.

Allowing this "exemption" sets a dangerous precedent for all neighborhoods.

The proposed massive 10-story monopole built on a 500 sqft pad will extend 20 feet above the tree line, topped with a bulky electric macro antenna towering over George Christopher Park, next to Glen Canyon, and visible to residents throughout the neighborhood.

This is not a "small addition to an existing structure" nor a "new" structure! It is one of only two wireless antenna facilities over 100 feet high, and both are in commercial zones and attached to buildings and other less tall facilities are near freeways or in industrial areas.

There are NO free-standing towers of this height or bulk in residential neighborhoods or next to parks.

Location and unusual circumstances were not considered such as the critical natural resource of the Glen Canyon Park, and the unusual circumstances of history of the seismic landslide failures on the Site, the high potential of fire in the park and surrounding neighborhood and chemical hazards.

Glen Canyon Park is on the property line. It is designated as a SF "significant natural area" with many fragile examples of biodiversity-supporting native grasses, and sensitive bird species. It is a critical urban wildlife habitat. The forest and brush are an essential ecosystem. The tower construction will damage this sensitive environment and disrupt wildlife corridors (as will a fire or landslide).

Safety concerns - A national telecom wildfire consultant stated this location is a real telecom fire threat. The site is within a designated "wildfire/wildland urban interface areas" and will be built among the aging trees. A certified arborist stated: digging to place the pole in bedrock will likely damage the roots and kill the trees (adding to landslide risk). Diamond Hts is one of the windiest neighborhoods and had red flag warnings last year. Towers must be powered down before applying water and evacuating the homes, nursery schools, the playground and shopping will be chaotic. Adding to the fire danger is the required 190-gallon diesel backup generator, which must be tested regularly. It will cause air quality hazards for children at nearby nursery schools Christopher Playground.

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Subject: I am writing to you today regarding the appeal of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) exemption at 350 Amber Dr Project
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Subject: Support CEQA Exemption Appeal – AT&T Tower at 350 Amber Drive (File No. 251094)
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Attachments: [Approve CEQA APPEAL 350 Amber Dr File # 251094.pdf](#)

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Dear President Mandelman,

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c/o Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

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Sincerely,

John Avalos
Excelsior District, San Francisco

Subject: Support CEQA Exemption Appeal – AT&T Tower at 350 Amber Drive (File No. 251094)

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John Avalos
Excelsior District, San Francisco

From: jeriannwong@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Jeri-Ann Wong](#)
To: [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: I am writing to you today regarding the appeal of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) exemption at 350 Amber Dr Project
Date: Wednesday, November 26, 2025 6:56:13 AM

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jeriannwong@yahoo.com

From: lily.thalheimer@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Lily Thalheimer](#)
To: [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: I am writing to you today regarding the appeal of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) exemption at 350 Amber Dr Project
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Sincerely,
Lily Thalheimer

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From: peachbonnet@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Sara Jew](#)
To: [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: I am writing to you today regarding the appeal of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) exemption at 350 Amber Dr Project
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To: [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: I am writing to you today regarding the appeal of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) exemption at 350 Amber Dr Project
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To: [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: I am writing to you today regarding the appeal of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) exemption at 350 Amber Dr Project
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maryfoleyrn@att.net

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To: [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: I am writing to you today regarding the appeal of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) exemption at 350 Amber Dr Project
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From: [Glenda Quick](#)
To: [MandelmanStaff \(BOS\)](#); [Ho, Calvin \(BOS\)](#)
Cc: [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Subject: Support CEQA Exemption Appeal - AT&T Tower at 350 Amber Drive File No. 251094
Date: Tuesday, November 25, 2025 11:57:22 PM

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DATE: November 25, 2025
Subject: Support CEQA Exemption Appeal - AT&T Tower at 350 Amber Drive File No. 251094

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And Members of the SF Board of Supervisors
c/o [Clerk of the Board of Supervisors](#)

Dear Supervisor Mandelman,
Members of the SF Board of Supervisors
c/o Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
Re: SUPPORT-File No. 251094 - Appeal of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) exemption at 350 Amber Dr Project

My name is Dr. Glenda Swetman. I live in and vote in your district. I am a medical doctor, a pediatric dermatologist, an LGBTQ ally, a good neighbor and a mother to a 21 month sold who is in daycare at St. Nicholas at Diamond Heights.

Please see more information below including my research as a pediatric based physician and an expert in science.

I believe the Diamond Hts neighbors have legitimate environmental and safety concerns. I urge you to grant approval of the appeal for CEQA exemption for AT&T's proposed 104-foot wireless facility at 350 Amber Drive.

Class 3 exemption applies to small, minor additions to existing structures. This is a new major structure.

This is not a small minor addition. The proposed installation includes a 104 ft monopole (think 10 stories!) which may not be wide itself, and it will be placed on a 500 square foundation, it will have a massive bulky electric structure of 12 10ft tall antennas and 9 3ft tall radio antennas ontop of the monopole appearing 20 ft above the tree line towering over George Christopher playground and at above the skyline of Glen Canyon Park. ATT in a meeting did not rule out adding another layer of antennas to rent to other carriers so it may in fact become even larger. ATT has added additional buildings and cabinetry and now is talking about a transformer as an electricity source. So the size of the project continues to expand. The photos and drawing renditions provided in the packet for the Planning Commission were taken and drawn from angles that did not represent the actual enormity of the structure.

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No free-standing tower of this height or bulk exists in a residential neighborhood or next to parks.

This structure sets a dangerous precedent for all neighborhoods.

Safety Concerns

First, fire concerns. Neighbors near Glen Canyon are hyper vigilant about fire safety and "Resilient Diamond Heights" regularly educates the neighborhood about earthquake and fire safety given that the Canyon is one of only 3 designated "wildfire/wildland urban interface areas" in San Francisco. A national telecom wildfire consultant confirmed that telecom fire is a real threat in this location. The proposed electrical tower will be built among the aging oak and eucalyptus trees at the top of in Canyon Glen Park (arborist opinion: digging to place the pole in bedrock which will likely damage the roots and kill the trees over time adding to fire and landslide danger). Diamond Hts is one of the windiest neighborhoods in SF and climate change brought us red flag warnings last year. Should there be a fire, telecom towers must "power down" which can take longer than 30minutes before water can be applied. Meanwhile evacuating the homes nearby, the 2 nursery schools, Silver Tree Day camp in the Canyon, the playground and the shopping area will be chaotic at best. Adding to the fire danger is the required 190-gallon diesel backup generator, which must be tested regularly. This will create regular air quality hazards for children at two nearby nursery schools and at George Christopher Playground.

Second, Landslides. The site actually sits on a 90-foot-deep ravine filled with **2 million cubic yards of infill** from dirt and rock pushed over from the adjacent Gold Mine and Red Rock Hills by the San Francisco Redevelopment Agency in 1960. ATT presented an inaccurate map to the Planning Commission. The map on page 1 of ATT's proposal identified as the *Plans for 350 Amber Drive* incorrectly and marks the flat area of infill supporting Christopher Park as Gold Mine Hill. While Gold Mine Hill is solid bedrock, it does not begin until beyond the southern border of Christopher Park, on the opposite side of the park from the Police Academy. **The proposed macro wireless tower is on infill, not Gold Mine Hill.** The area has a history of documented seismic and landslide hazards which was the reason for closing the Diamond Hts school (now the Police Academy).

According to USGS, excavation to bedrock and the tower's weight will increase landslide risk in this high-soil-saturation area. Add to that our El Nino atmospheric rivers with heavy rainfall and anticipated tree loss on the steep hillside below will erosion and instability will be accelerated.

And then we must add the big earthquake we are due for which makes the location even more dangerous.

Biodiversity Impacts

Originally the territory of the Muwekma Ohlone Tribe, Glen Canyon Park, is a 70-acre natural oasis, and serves as a vital green space in the heart of San Francisco. It is surrounded by the [Diamond Heights](#) and Miraloma Park neighborhoods, which creates a unique urban wilderness experience. Glen Canyon Park is a designated "significant natural area" supporting native grasses, and sensitive bird species. It is a critical urban wildlife habitat. The park plays a crucial role in prioritizing environmental stewardship among neighborhood and San Francisco residents who are actively involved in initiatives aimed at preserving its natural resources and educating children and the public about local ecology. Glen Canyon Park is home to several native San Francisco species, including the endangered San Francisco garter snake and [the Mission](#) blue butterfly. Wildlife observation is a popular activity within the park, as it allows visitors to gain a deeper understanding of [the urban](#) ecosystem. The forest and brush are an essential ecosystem. The tower construction will damage this sensitive environment and disrupt wildlife corridors (as would a fire or landslide).

Historic Resource

The neighborhood is over 50 yrs old and an example of "modernist" architecture designed so homes would blend with the natural environment and preserve views of open space. The famous developer and builder Joseph Eichler and architect Claude Oakland designed and built homes in Diamond Heights. This antenna will ruin that open space and connection to the sky and to nature that creates the neighborhood's uniqueness.

Misleading Claims

AT&T falsely claimed this massive tower is essential for 911 service and First Responders' FirstNet access. According to Police Captain Newbeck and Fire Chief Crispen, First Responders are not required to use FirstNet. AT&T misled Planning Commissioners to gain approval. In addition, FirstNET has technical equipment that can be added to strengthen signals. A massive dangerous MACRO tower in a residential neighborhood in a seismic hazard and Urban Wildfire Interface is NOT necessary. Lastly, ATT claimed (and their simulate maps show) that some of their customers did not have good indoor reception. ATT is now offering fiber to the premises which will provide excellent indoor internet and access which will solve those issues in a hilly neighborhood such as our.

ATT customers all want good wireless coverage. Less invasive telecom alternatives exist to serve customers in the targeted coverage area. Other carriers provide adequate coverage without such *intrusive* infrastructure.

Massive structures like this belong in industrial zones, not adjacent to parks, playgrounds, and homes.

Safety should be the priority of the Board of Supervisors, not the business expansion for ATT.

I urge the Board to grant the appeal of the CEQA exemption and require a full Environmental Impact Report examining all alternatives, including a detailed geotechnical study addressing the site's documented seismic failures.

Sincerely,
Glenda L. Swetman, MD

Ps

Our children are currently the unintended rats in many experiments. Please see the important research below and do not continue to perpetuate atrocities on children due to lack of evidence.

Please remember how long it took tobacco companies to admit that their cigarettes were harmful.

Do you know that there is no scientific EVIDENCE that jumping out of an airplane without a parachute can kill you?

The studies will never be done and there are people who have survived such falls.

Evidence is only good if there are robust and well designed studies on both sides, and there are not in this case. Please see below.

Although current evidence does not 100% conclusively demonstrate that cell tower monopoles are harmful to children's health (let's hope this would not be even a possibility if we KNEW it were harmful), there is increasing concern about possible non-thermal biological effects, and no large, high-quality studies have specifically included children.

Recent literature highlights several key points:

- **There is mounting evidence of non-thermal biological effects from radiofrequency electromagnetic fields (RF-EMF), including DNA damage, oxidative stress, neurological, endocrinological, and reproductive effects, as well as increased cancer risk, observed at exposure levels below current regulatory limits.** These effects have been reported in both laboratory and epidemiological studies, but the data are inconsistent and often limited by methodological weaknesses.^[1-5]
- **Children are considered a sensitive population due to their developing nervous systems, thinner skulls, and greater lifetime exposure potential.** Some studies suggest deeper penetration and higher absorption of RF-EMF in children's brain tissue compared to adults.^{[1][6-7]}
- **No large, rigorous epidemiological studies have directly assessed health outcomes in children living near cell tower monopoles.** Systematic reviews of available studies in children and adolescents consistently find the evidence to be low or inadequate, with significant gaps and methodological limitations.^[7-8]
- **Recent reviews and expert commentaries emphasize scientific uncertainty and call for precaution, especially with the rapid expansion of 5G and dense transmitter networks.** The lack of robust data in children is repeatedly cited as a critical gap, and several authors advocate for stricter exposure limits and further research.^{[4][8-10]}
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From: jwlouiesf@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Jodie Louie](#)
To: [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: I am writing to you today regarding the appeal of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) exemption at 350 Amber Dr Project
Date: Tuesday, November 25, 2025 10:27:26 PM

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To: [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: I am writing to you today regarding the appeal of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) exemption at 350 Amber Dr Project
Date: Tuesday, November 25, 2025 9:49:34 PM

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Sincerely,
Lisa Fung

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From: [David Dai](#)
To: [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\)](#); [MandelmanStaff \(BOS\)](#); [Ho, Calvin \(BOS\)](#)
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Subject: Please Grant Appeal File No. 251094 – CEQA Exemption of AT&T Macro Tower – Environmental & Safety Concerns
Date: Tuesday, November 25, 2025 9:45:27 PM
Attachments: [Opposition to AT&T Monopole - Please Grant Appeal File No. 251094 - David Dai.pdf](#)

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To: Supervisor Mandelman, Members of the SF Board of Supervisors, and the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors--

Thank you for reviewing our opposition to the AT&T Macro Tower monstrosity. I am writing to you as a concerned resident who lives on the 200-block of Amber Drive, a few houses down away from the newly proposed project for AT&T Wireless. I strongly oppose the new project for the installation of the 104-foot tall monopole for a new AT&T Wireless Telecommunication facility, and urge the Board of Supervisors to grant appeal file no. 251094 based on environmental and safety reasons.

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I have attached a full letter, with my reasoning, as well as photos I've taken over the past few months as a resident that walks my dog daily around Glen Canyon Park. These photos will show the devastating impact of this monstrosity on our neighborhood, the many children that play in the park recreationally, and create unnecessary fire and landslide risk.

Thank you for your time,
David Dai
Resident of 200-block on Amber Dr in Diamond Heights

David S. Dai

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c/o Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

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I strongly urge the Board to grant the appeal of the Planning Commission's CEQA exemption for the 104-foot monopole, due to the Planning Commission's erroneous approval based on misleading claims from AT&T. They negligently approved this process based on false claims that the tower is needed for 911 and First Net. However, SF Fire Chief Crispen and Police Captain Newbeck have refuted these claims, claiming that first responders are not required to use FirstNet or these services, and their staff do not use this.

I am strongly opposed to this project for the reasons below and strongly urge the Board of Supervisors to vote against the installation of the monopole. The installation of this monstrous monopole is both negligent and ill-considered, with significant consequences to residents and the nearby community. I have attached photos showing the neighborhood impact of this.

1) Safety and Recreation Concerns, especially for our children at the two adjacent preschools

- Proposed 104-foot monopole is directly next to George Christopher Playground, where hundreds of children gather during the day for playtime, baseball games, soccer practice, and summer camps.
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- Tree Frog Treks, a Mission-based summer camp holds full day summer camps in the field right next to where this monopole is proposed to be built:
<https://www.treefrogtreks.com/glencanyon>
 - The motto of Tree Frog Treks is literally: "Get Out, Get Dirty" to encourage our children to play outside in the nearby park and dirt where the proposed monopole will be.

- Having such significant electronic equipment would be pose safety concerns for children that gather and play daily around the monopole

2) Safety Concerns, fire, landslide and other natural risks at top of Glen Canyon Park

- Proposed 104-foot monopole will be built next to many non-native eucalyptus trees and at the top of Glen Canyon Park trailhead. This is a large city park with dry grasses and trees that would subject the area and neighbors to significant wildfire risk in case of any equipment failures. There are currently minimal electric structures in our neighborhood because of this (no above ground power lines, no comms equipment)
- **The proposed monopole will sit on a landslide area as marked by San Francisco's seismic hazard map.** That, along with a 190 gallon fuel tank, is a catastrophic risk to the livelihood of residents in Diamond Heights near this monstrosity, as well as the greater neighborhood by Glen Canyon Park.
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3) Aesthetic and Neighborhood Character Concerns

- Proposed 104-foot monopole would greatly deteriorate the aesthetic of this residential neighborhood with an industrial installation. This is a densely populated, residential neighborhood with residents that enjoy the pleasures of living next to and with a view of Glen Canyon Park and the George Christopher Playground in all its greenery. This is a recreational area, not the place for an industrial installation.

4) Environmental Concerns

- Outside of the obvious fire and wind risk for the location, the monopole is adjacent to our Diamond Heights Community Garden and also Glen Canyon Park. This is the home of many birds, animals, and insect pollinators that will be disrupted by the electromagnetic fields and result in dead migratory birds around our neighborhood.

5) Decline in Property Value

- Building such an industrial monstrosity would strongly impact the property values of homes within the Diamond Heights area because of its safety concerns, environmental risks, and ugly aesthetic to a green neighborhood. Similar industrial projects around SF have caused similar declines of property values that would be impacted by poor decision-making and poor planning.

6) Alternative Locations

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I strongly implore the Board of Supervisors to reject and seek alternatives to this project. I am happy to speak in person and answer any questions as an impacted resident.

Kind Regards,

David Dai

200-block resident of Amber Dr
San Francisco, CA 94131

Photo Exhibits of Neighborhood Impacts:



Location of new cell tower



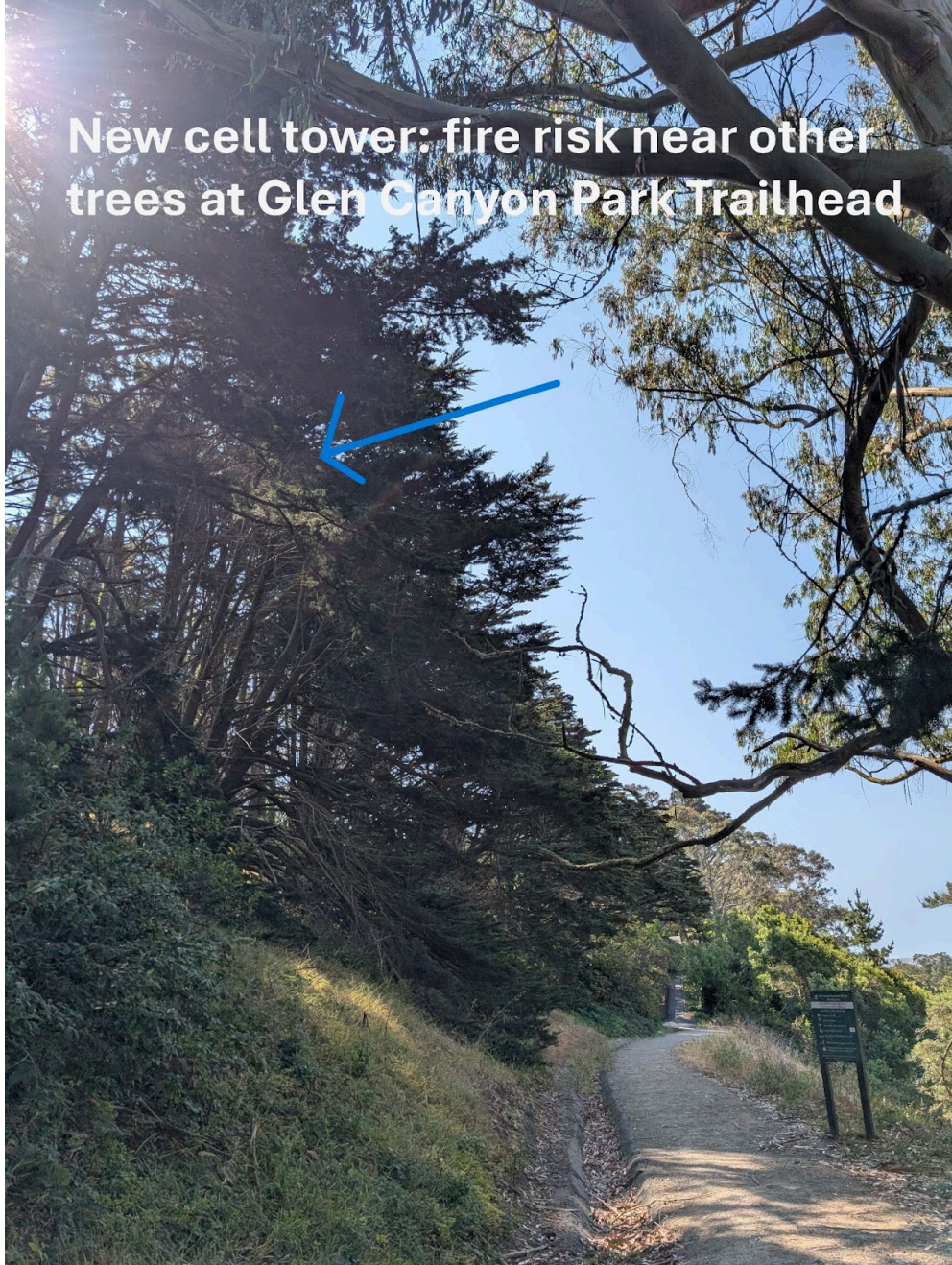
Christopher Playground, Tree Frog Treks summer camp before kids arrive



Location of
monstrous AT&T
Monopole

Children's
Summer camp
and nearby park
wildfire impact

New cell tower: fire risk near other trees at Glen Canyon Park Trailhead



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To: [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\)](#)
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To: [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: I am writing to you today regarding the appeal of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) exemption at 350 Amber Dr Project
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Sincerely,
Richard Waller

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From: [Selena Lew](#)
To: [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\)](#)
Cc: [Ho, Calvin \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Please Grant Appeal File No. 251094 - CEQA Exemption of AT&T Macro Tower - Environmental & Safety Concerns
Date: Tuesday, November 25, 2025 9:00:44 PM

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November 26, 2025

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And Members of the SF Board of Supervisors
c/o Calvin Ho

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appeal, overturn the Class 3 exemption, and require a **full Environmental Impact Report**, and evaluation of less intrusive alternatives.

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Sincerely,
Selena Lew
[951 Duncan St](#)
[San Francisco, CA 94131](#)

From: [Herbert Lew](#)
To: [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\)](#)
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From: mechas58@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Maria Weiss](#)
To: [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: I am writing to you today regarding the appeal of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) exemption at 350 Amber Dr Project
Date: Tuesday, November 25, 2025 8:12:16 PM

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From: [erica lew](#)
To: [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\)](#)
Cc: [Ho, Calvin \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Please Grant Appeal File No. 251094 - CEQA Exemption of AT&T Macro Tower - Environmental & Safety Concerns
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From: karenekerner@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Karen Kerner Goodman](#)
To: [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: I am writing to you today regarding the appeal of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) exemption at 350 Amber Dr Project
Date: Tuesday, November 25, 2025 7:24:46 PM

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Dear Legislative Services,

Dear Supervisor: I have lived in this District for 32 years. I am shocked and surprised to learn of the AT&T cell tower proposed for the area in between the police academy and Christopher playground, an area used by scores of children, adults and elders. It is also right by Glen Canyon recreational area, and SOTA high school. The number of vulnerable people potentially harmed by this tower is tremendous.

This is also a landslide and fire zone. A tower spewing noxious fumes is the last thing needed here

Thank you for your consideration

Sincerely,
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From: zhypatiap@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Zoe Pleasure](#)
To: [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: I am writing to you today regarding the appeal of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) exemption at 350 Amber Dr Project
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From: [karen merigo](#)
To: [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\)](#)
Cc: [Ho, Calvin \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: AT&T Tower Glen Canyon -Dimond Heights
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Attachments: [AT&T Tower Glen Canyon.docx](#)

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November 25th 2025

Subject: Support CEQA Exemption Appeal - AT&T Tower at 350 Amber Drive File No. 251094

Dear Supervisor, Mandelman
And Members of the SF Board of Supervisors
c/o [Clerk of the Board of Supervisors](#)
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[Your Contact Information]

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Cc: [Ho, Calvin \(BOS\)](#)
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I am writing not just as a resident of the Diamond Heights neighborhood, but as someone who deeply loves and depends on the parks, trails, and open spaces that make Diamond Heights and Glen Canyon so special. I know you hear many issues every day, but this one truly affects the heart of our community.

The AT&T proposal for a **104-foot industrial monopole**, with a large antenna structure, diesel generator, and a 500-square-foot base, is simply not a “small” or “minor” structure. It would be the first freestanding tower of this size in any San Francisco residential neighborhood. For those of us who walk our children to the playground, who hike the canyon trails at sunrise, or who simply look out our windows and see trees and sky — this tower would permanently change the place we call home.

The site they selected sits in a **documented earthquake and landslide hazard zone**, right at the edge of Glen Canyon Park and just feet from George Christopher Playground. The Police Academy site has had a history of seismic failures. The idea of placing a ten-story tower and a diesel tank on unstable ground is frightening. These are not theoretical risks — they are real, mapped hazards that CEQA requires the City to carefully study, not waive through with an exemption.

The fire risks are equally alarming. A **190-gallon diesel tank** that must be regularly tested, placed beside old eucalyptus and oak trees, next to a canyon known for strong winds — is deeply concerning to me. Our neighborhood includes children at the nursery school, seniors, people with disabilities, and many of park users every week. One spark in the wrong conditions would be devastating. None of us should have to imagine an evacuation from a wildfire triggered by infrastructure that could have been sited safely elsewhere.

Glen Canyon Park is not just any open space. It is a **significant natural resource area**, home to sensitive birds, native plants, and species. People come here specifically because it feels untouched, restorative, and alive. A ten-story industrial structure looming over the canyon would fundamentally alter the character of this habitat and the experience of being there.

Diamond Heights itself is part of San Francisco’s architectural history — a neighborhood designed to integrate with nature, preserve open space, and harmonize with the landscape.

This project would pierce that harmony forever. Once the view and character are lost, they are lost for good.

We know that **less intrusive, safer alternatives exist**, and other carriers have achieved coverage without a tower like this. What we are asking for is not unreasonable: a full **Environmental Impact Report** so that the City, the community, and decision-makers can understand the true risks and compare all feasible alternatives.

The Planning Commission did not consider the real dangers, the documented environmental circumstances, or the voices of the people who live here. We are asking you — our elected representatives — to do what they did not.

Please **grant the appeal**, overturn the Class 3 exemption, and require a full Environmental Impact Report. Our neighborhood, our parks, and our safety deserve nothing less.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Jack Shan
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From: [Jessica Lew](#)
To: [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\)](#)
Cc: [Ho, Calvin \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Please Grant Appeal File No. 251094 - CEQA Exemption of AT&T Macro Tower - Environmental & Safety Concerns
Date: Tuesday, November 25, 2025 5:26:01 PM

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November 26, 2025
Supervisor Mandelman
And Members of the SF Board of Supervisors
c/o Calvin Ho

Dear Supervisor Mandelman and Members of the SF Board of Supervisors:

I am writing not just as a 35 year resident of the Diamond Heights neighborhood, but as someone who deeply loves and depends on the parks, trails, and open spaces that make Diamond Heights and Glen Canyon so special. I know you hear many issues every day, but this one truly affects the heart of our community.

The AT&T proposal for a **104-foot industrial monopole**, with a large antenna structure, diesel generator, and a 500-square-foot base, is simply not a “small” or “minor” structure. It would be the first freestanding tower of this size in any San Francisco residential neighborhood. For those of us who walk our children to the playground, who hike the canyon trails at sunrise, or who simply look out our windows and see trees and sky — this tower would permanently change the place we call home.

The site they selected sits in a **documented earthquake and landslide hazard zone**, right at the edge of Glen Canyon Park and just feet from George Christopher Playground. The Police Academy site has had a history of seismic failures. The idea of placing a ten-story tower and a diesel tank on unstable ground is frightening. These are not theoretical risks — they are real, mapped hazards that CEQA requires the City to carefully study, not waive through with an exemption.

The fire risks are equally alarming. A **190-gallon diesel tank** that must be regularly tested, placed beside old eucalyptus and oak trees, next to a canyon known for strong winds — is deeply concerning to me. Our neighborhood includes children at the nursery school, seniors, people with disabilities, and many of park users every week. One spark in the wrong conditions would be devastating. None of us should have to imagine an evacuation from a wildfire triggered by infrastructure that could have been sited safely elsewhere.

Glen Canyon Park is not just any open space. It is a **significant natural resource area**, home to sensitive birds, native plants, and species. People come here specifically because it feels untouched, restorative, and alive. A ten-story industrial structure looming over the canyon would fundamentally alter the character of this habitat and the experience of being there.

Diamond Heights itself is part of San Francisco’s architectural history — a neighborhood designed to integrate with nature, preserve open space, and harmonize with the landscape.

This project would pierce that harmony forever. Once the view and character are lost, they are lost for good.

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From: maura.kealey@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Maura Kealey](#)
To: [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: I am writing to you today regarding the appeal of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) exemption at 350 Amber Dr Project
Date: Tuesday, November 25, 2025 4:03:06 PM

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Dear Legislative Services,

Dear Supervisor! Thank you for reading my letter, which is being submitted by a miraculous website that the Diamond Heights Neighbors told me about. My longtime friend Catherine Dodd lives in the neighborhood and alerted me to the issue. Catherine has devoted her working life to SF, serving as Director of the HSB as well as doing many other valuable jobs for the City and for women. Please refer to the findings by the neighbors, which I have read but am not re-forwarding here as you probably have them too. My advice to AT&T - they are my carrier too - is - find a workaround! This is the wrong place, the wrong height, the wrong time to apply for this exemption. The Board should vote it down, on behalf of keeping San Francisco's children, playgrounds, parks and residents safe. Thanks again for considering my views, and thanks to your staff too for reading this! Take care, Maura

Sincerely,
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From: pschum47@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Peter Schumacher](#)
To: [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: I am writing to you today regarding the appeal of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) exemption at 350 Amber Dr Project
Date: Tuesday, November 25, 2025 3:30:10 PM

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Please do NOT allow this monstrous cell tower to be erected in a residential neighborhood.

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From: dan.lee4292695@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Dan Lee](#)
To: [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: I am writing to you today regarding the appeal of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) exemption at 350 Amber Dr Project
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From: droma4@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [David Romano](#)
To: [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: I am writing to you today regarding the appeal of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) exemption at 350 Amber Dr Project
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From: [Geoff August](#)
To: [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\)](#)
Cc: [Ho, Calvin \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Support CEQA Exemption Appeal - AT&T Tower at 350 Amber Drive File No. 251094
Date: Tuesday, November 25, 2025 12:45:22 PM

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25 November, 2025

Subject: Support CEQA Exemption Appeal - AT&T Tower at 350 Amber Drive File No. 251094

Dear Supervisor Mandelman
And Members of the SF Board of Supervisors
c/o [Clerk of the Board of Supervisors](#)

Dear Supervisor Mandelman,
Members of the SF Board of Supervisors
c/o Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
Re: SUPPORT-File No. 251094 - Appeal of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) exemption at 350 Amber Dr Project

My name is Geoffrey August. I live in and vote in your district. I believe the Diamond Hts neighbors have legitimate environmental and safety concerns. I urge you to grant approval of the appeal for CEQA exemption for AT&T's proposed 104-foot wireless facility at 350 Amber Drive.

Class 3 exemption applies to small, minor additions to existing structures. This is a new major structure.

This is not a small minor addition. The proposed installation includes a 104 ft monopole (think 10 stories!) which may not be wide itself, and it will be placed on a 500 square foundation, it will have a massive bulky electric structure of 12 10ft tall antennas and 9 3ft tall radio antennas ontop of the monopole appearing 20 ft above the tree line towering over George Christopher playground and at above the skyline of Glen Canyon Park. ATT in a meeting did not rule out adding another layer of antennas to rent to other carriers so it may in fact become even larger. ATT has added additional buildings and cabinetry and now is talking about a transformer as an electricity source. So the size of the project continues to expand. The photos and drawing renditions provided in the packet for the Planning Commission were taken and drawn from angles that did not represent the actual enormity of the structure.

San Francisco **has only two wireless antenna facilities over 100 feet high and**

both are in commercial zones and attached to buildings.

No free-standing tower of this height or bulk exists in a residential neighborhood or next to parks.

This structure sets a dangerous precedent for all neighborhoods.

Safety Concerns

First, fire concerns. Neighbors near Glen Canyon are hyper vigilant about fire safety and “Resilient Diamond Heights” regularly educates the neighborhood about earthquake and fire safety given that the Canyon is one of only 3 designated “wildfire/wildland urban interface areas” in San

Francisco. A national telecom wildfire consultant confirmed that telecom fire is a real threat in this location. The proposed electrical tower will be built among the aging oak and eucalyptus trees at the top of in Canyon Glen Park (arborist opinion: digging to place the pole in bedrock which will likely damage the roots and kill the trees over time adding to fire and landslide danger). Diamond Hts is one of the windiest neighborhoods in SF and climate change brought us red flag warnings last year. Should there be a fire, telecom towers must “power down” which can take longer than 30 minutes before water can be applied. Meanwhile evacuating the homes nearby, the 2 nursery schools, Silver Tree Day camp in the Canyon, the playground and the shopping area will be chaotic at best. Adding to the fire danger is the required 190-gallon diesel backup generator, which must be tested regularly. This will create regular air quality hazards for children at two nearby nursery schools and at George Christopher Playground.

Second, Landslides. The site actually sits on a 90-foot-deep ravine filled with **2 million cubic yards of infill** from dirt and rock pushed over from the adjacent Gold Mine and Red Rock Hills by the San Francisco Redevelopment Agency in 1960. ATT presented an inaccurate map to the Planning Commission. The map on page 1 of ATT’s proposal identified as the *Plans for 350 Amber Drive* incorrectly and marks the flat area of infill supporting Christopher Park as Gold Mine Hill. While Gold Mine Hill is solid bedrock, it does not begin until beyond the southern border of Christopher Park, on the opposite side of the park from the Police Academy. **The proposed macro wireless tower is on infill, not Gold Mine Hill.** The area has a history of documented seismic and landslide hazards which was the reason for closing the Diamond Hts school (now the Police Academy).

According to USGS, excavation to bedrock and the tower's weight will increase landslide risk in this high-soil-saturation area. Add to that our El Nino atmospheric rivers with heavy rainfall and anticipated tree loss on the steep hillside below will erosion and instability will be accelerated.

And then we must add the big earthquake we are due for which makes the location even more dangerous.

Biodiversity Impacts

Originally the territory of the Muwekma Ohlone Tribe, Glen Canyon Park, is a 70-acre natural oasis, and serves as a vital green space in the heart of San

Francisco. It is surrounded by the [Diamond Heights](#) and Miraloma Park neighborhoods, which creates a unique urban wilderness experience. Glen Canyon Park is a designated "significant natural area" supporting native grasses, and sensitive bird species. It is a critical urban wildlife habitat. The park plays a crucial role in prioritizing environmental stewardship among neighborhood and San Francisco residents who are actively involved in initiatives aimed at preserving its natural resources and educating children and the public about local ecology. Glen Canyon Park is home to several native San Francisco species, including the endangered San Francisco garter snake and [the Mission](#) blue butterfly. Wildlife observation is a popular activity within the park, as it allows visitors to gain a deeper understanding of [the urban](#) ecosystem. The forest and brush are an essential ecosystem. The tower construction will damage this sensitive environment and disrupt wildlife corridors (as would a fire or landslide).

Historic Resource

The neighborhood is over 50 yrs old and an example of “modernist” architecture designed so homes would blend with the natural environment and preserve views of open space. The famous developer and builder Joseph Eichler and architect Claude Oakland designed and built homes in Diamond Heights. This antenna will ruin that open space and connection to the sky and to nature that creates the neighborhood’s uniqueness.

Misleading Claims

AT&T falsely claimed this massive tower is essential for 911 service and First Responders' FirstNet access. According to Police Captain Newbeck and Fire Chief Crispen, First Responders are not required to use FirstNet. AT&T misled Planning Commissioners to gain approval. In addition, FirstNet has technical equipment that can be added to strengthen signals. A massive dangerous MACRO tower in a residential neighborhood in a seismic hazard and Urban Wildfire Interface is NOT necessary. Lastly, ATT claimed (and their simulate maps show) that some of their customers did not have good indoor reception. ATT is now offering fiber to the premises which will provide excellent indoor internet and access which will solve those issues in a hilly neighborhood such as our.

ATT customers all want good wireless coverage. Less invasive telecom alternatives exist to serve customers in the targeted coverage area. Other carriers provide adequate coverage without such *intrusive* infrastructure.

Massive structures like this belong in industrial zones, not adjacent to parks, playgrounds, and homes.

Safety should be the priority of the Board of Supervisors, not the business expansion for ATT.

I urge the Board to grant the appeal of the CEQA exemption and require a full Environmental Impact Report examining all alternatives, including a detailed geotechnical study addressing the site's documented seismic failures.

Sincerely,
Geoffrey August
190 Amber drive

From: udokafor.j@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Udoka Okafor](#)
To: [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\)](#)
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Sincerely,
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From: [Marcia Sanchez](#)
To: [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [MandelmanStaff \(BOS\)](#)
Cc: [Ho, Calvin \(BOS\)](#); [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Support CEQA Exemption Appeal - ATT Tower at 350 Amber Dr (File No. 251094)
Date: Tuesday, November 25, 2025 12:08:06 PM

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Dear Supervisor Mandelman and the Board of Supervisors,
As a concerned resident and a San Franciscan voter, I am writing to urge you to grant the appeal of the Planning Commission's CEQA Class 3 Exemption for the proposed AT&T wireless tower at 350 Amber Drive. This behemoth, 10-story-tall industrial electronic structure does not belong in a residential neighborhood next to Glenn Park and George Christopher Playground, especially on land mapped as an **earthquake and landslide zone** with documented seismic failures.

This Project Does Not Qualify for a CEQA Exemption

The Planning Commission approved this project as a "small minor structure," but the facts tell a different story:

- The facility will be 104 feet high with a massive electrical antenna structure on top
- It will tower 20 feet above the trees, dominating the skyline over George Christopher Playground and Glen Canyon Park
- It requires a 500-square-foot foundation plus additional electrical boxes and equipment
- It will be added to the **only two** wireless facilities over 100 feet high in San Francisco
- The other 100 foot tall facilities are in commercial zones attached to buildings; other less tall facilities (60 & 80 feet) are near freeways or in industrial areas
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Critical Safety Concerns:

1. Fire Hazard

A wildfire-telecom expert has identified direct and significant fire risks:

- Wireless monopoles carry documented fire risks
- The site is classified as an Urban Wildfire/Wildland Interface risk area
- The proposal includes a 190-gallon diesel fuel tank immediately next to highly combustible trees and vegetation (tall oat grasses and coyote bush) in Glen Canyon
- The diesel backup generator must be regularly started for testing which can ignite fires and the generator will emit hazardous fumes
- Hazard signs are required in AT&T's own proposal
- Telecom towers must power down before firefighters can apply water, causing dangerous delays for evacuations

One spark amid Diamond Heights' strong winds could be disastrous given the proximity to Glen Canyon Park, George Christopher Playground, a nursery schools, homes, and the shopping center

2. Seismic and Landslide Risk

The location poses serious geological concerns:

- The site is mapped as an earthquake and landslide zone by the California Department of Conservation's California Earthquake Hazard Zone Map (Alquist-Priolo Map)
- It appears on San Francisco's Seismic Hazard Map
- The Police Academy (former school) site has a documented history of seismic failures
- A 104-foot tall, bulky structure on a 500-square-foot base in unstable soil creates significant concerns about landslides, soil failure, and potential fire near residential areas and Glen Canyon Park

3. Environmental and Community Impact

- Glen Canyon Park is one of San Francisco's "significant natural resource areas" and plays a crucial role in maintaining local biodiversity with:
- Sensitive bird habitat for nesting, breeding and roosting among the trees for birds of prey as well as bats and in the native pacific reed grass.
- Native Plants, coyote bush and oat grasses
- Home of the endangered San Francisco garter snake and the [Mission](#) blue butterfly.
- Hiking paths that are part of San Francisco's "cross town trail"
- Home of Silver Tree Day Camp where kids from all over San Francisco learn first hand about nature and ecology

The Diamond Heights neighborhood itself is a **historic resource** famous for midcentury modern architecture (Eichler – developer and builder & A. Quincy Jones, Claude Oakland) designed to blend building and nature while preserving open space and views. This monstrous industrial tower will forever cause blight in this special historic neighborhood.

AT&T's Misleading Justifications

AT&T claims "millions of people rely on wireless to reach 911" and that the tower is needed for "FirstNet", a service for First Responders. While it is true that millions of people rely on 911, our Fire Chief and Ingleside Police Captain confirmed in a community meeting that 911 calls and texts go through and do not rely on one specific network (ATT)

- The Fire Chief and Interim Police Chief did NOT send letters supporting the tower because they do not require First Responders to use FirstNet on their phones
- Only the elected emergency official, the Sheriff, after being lobbied by AT&T,

- sent a letter urging approval
- Other carriers provide coverage in this area without such intrusive towers
- Less intrusive alternatives exist to serve AT&T customers in the targeted area (but they may not allow for ATT's goal of **expanding their own business interests**)

The Planning Commission Failed Its Duty to protect the environment, the residents and the neighborhood

Four of the seven Commissioners approved the CEQA Class 3 Exemption while ignoring:

- Expert testimony on fire and seismic risks
- Facts presented by neighbors and community members
- The unique environmental sensitivity of the location
- The availability of less intrusive alternatives
- The violations of open space priorities in the General Plan
- In fact they prioritized ATT's corporate priorities over the residents and tax payers who own the public land on which this colossus has been approved

Bearing the aforementioned in mind, I **urge you** to:

1. Grant the appeal of the Planning Commission's CEQA exemption
2. Require a full Environmental Impact Report examining all alternatives
3. Commission a detailed geotechnical study addressing the site's documented seismic failures
4. Prioritize the safety of our community, parks, and natural resources
5. Review Wireless Facility ordinances and regulations to require INDEPENDENT Geotechnical Analysis and Fire Risk before consideration, attendant with INDEPENDENT consultation on safety and need for "coverage" rather than relying on the carriers' biased opinions and selected "consultants" reports. Establish safety buffer zones from large powerful antenna structures from schools, homes, health facilities, parks, playgrounds and childcare facilities.
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Massive structures like this do not belong in landslide and fire zones adjacent to parks, playgrounds, and homes. There are safer alternatives. Safety must be the priority of the Board of Supervisors.

Thank you for your careful consideration of this critical matter.

Sincerely,

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11/25/25

From: cassie@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [cassandra britton](#)
To: [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: I am writing to you today regarding the appeal of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) exemption at 350 Amber Dr Project
Date: Tuesday, November 25, 2025 12:39:04 PM

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There are NO free-standing towers of this height or bulk in residential neighborhoods or next to parks.

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Glen Canyon Park is on the property line. It is designated as a SF "significant natural area" with many fragile examples of biodiversity-supporting native grasses, and sensitive bird species. It is a critical urban wildlife habitat. The forest and brush are an essential ecosystem. The tower construction will damage this sensitive environment and disrupt wildlife corridors (as will a fire or landslide).

Safety concerns - A national telecom wildfire consultant stated this location is a real telecom fire threat. The site is within a designated "wildfire/wildland urban interface areas" and will be built among the aging trees. A certified arborist stated: digging to place the pole in bedrock will likely damage the roots and kill the trees (adding to landslide risk). Diamond Hts is one of the windiest neighborhoods and had red flag warnings last year. Towers must be powered down before applying water and evacuating the homes, nursery schools, the playground and shopping will be chaotic. Adding to the fire danger is the required 190-gallon diesel backup generator, which must be tested regularly. It will cause air quality hazards for children at nearby nursery schools Christopher Playground.

-The location sits on infill in a documented seismic and landslide hazard zone. According to USGS, excavation to bedrock and the tower's weight will increase landslide risk in this high-soil-saturation area. Heavy rainfall and anticipated tree loss on the steep hillside below will accelerate erosion and instability as will an earthquake.

The neighborhood is an Historic Resource; including the St Nicholas Church built in 1964. Most homes in the neighborhood are over 50 yrs old, and an example of "modernist" architecture designed so they would blend with the natural environment preserving views of open space.

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Sincerely,
cassandra britton

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From: [Jack Bernstine](#)
To: [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\)](#)
Cc: [Ho, Calvin \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Att&t Tower - Diamond Heights
Date: Tuesday, November 25, 2025 12:14:42 PM
Attachments: [Att&t letter.pdf](#)

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Please see my letter attached.

November 25, 2025

Subject: Support CEQA Exemption Appeal - AT&T Tower at 350 Amber Drive File No. 251094

Dear Supervisor Mandelman and Members of the SF Board of Supervisors

I have lived in Diamond Heights for 37 years. I am writing to urge you to grant the appeal of the Planning Commission's CEQA exemption for the proposed 104-foot AT&T tower at 350 Amber Drive. This is PUBLIC property that ATT will make a profit from selling to new customers beyond the neighborhood. I fear that this giant antenna would change the trees and the very nature of the park and be a major fire danger.

From what I understand about the proposed structure, this antenna is **not a "small minor structure."** And does not qualify for a Class 3 CEQA exemption. It is a 10-story industrial facility with a 500-square-foot foundation, a 190-gallon diesel fuel tank, and extensive electrical equipment. It would be one of only two wireless facilities over 100 feet high in San Francisco, and *the only free-standing tower of this height in a residential neighborhood adjacent to parks.*

The site is classified as an Urban Wildfire/Wildland Interface risk area. The 190-gallon diesel backup generator, which must be tested monthly. This massive electrical structure sits immediately next to aging oak and eucalyptus trees so the fire risk is greater as these generators can cause fires. The fire risk is increased because telecom towers must power down before firefighters can apply water, causing dangerous delays. One spark in Diamond Heights' strong winds could be catastrophic for Glen Canyon Park, George Christopher Playground, the nearby nursery school, our homes, and the shopping center. There is additional risk because that site has fill and would be likely unstable in a strong earthquake.

This tower would permanently blight the Diamond Heights **historic "modernist" neighborhood**, designed to blend buildings with nature and preserve views and open space. AT&T claims this tower is essential for 911 service and FirstNet, but our Fire Chief confirmed that 911 calls do not rely on one specific network, and neither the Fire Chief nor the Police Captain state that FirstNet is required on First Responder phones. Other carriers provide coverage in this area without such intrusive structures.

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I urge you to grant the appeal and require a full Environmental Impact Report examining all alternatives, including a detailed geotechnical study addressing the site's documented seismic failures.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Jack Bernstine

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From: [FRED RANDOLPH](#)
To: [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [MandelmanStaff \(BOS\)](#)
Cc: [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\)](#); [Ho, Calvin \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Subject: Please Grant Appeal File No. 251094 – CEQA Exemption of AT&T Macro Tower – Environmental & Safety Concerns
Date: Tuesday, November 25, 2025 12:04:22 PM

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Dear Supervisor Mandelman and the Board of Supervisors,

I live and vote in San Francisco and have for 18 years. My beloved neighborhood is important to me.

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Key Safety Issues in this location:

- **Fire Risk:** This Urban Wildfire Interface area should not have a 190-gallon diesel tank next to combustible vegetation in a very windy area of San Francisco. Towers must power down before water application, causing dangerous delays for evacuation in a neighborhood of two lane streets.
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Sincerely,

Fred Randolph

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From: kkdrew@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Kim Drew](#)
To: [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: I am writing to you today regarding the appeal of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) exemption at 350 Amber Dr Project
Date: Tuesday, November 25, 2025 11:46:28 AM

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Sincerely,
Kim Drew

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From: [Jamie Roberts](#)
To: [MandelmanStaff \(BOS\)](#); [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\)](#)
Cc: [Ho, Calvin \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Please Grant Appeal File No. 251094 – CEQA Exemption of AT&T Macro Tower – Environmental & Safety Concerns
Date: Tuesday, November 25, 2025 11:37:46 AM

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Dear Supervisor Mandelman, And Members of the SF Board of Supervisors.

I live and vote in San Francisco and have been resident here for 20 years 16 at Amber drive.. This neighborhood is important to me and my family.

I urge you to grant the appeal of the Planning Commission's CEQA exemption for the proposed 104-foot AT&T tower at 350 Amber Drive.

This huge 10story tall industrial electronic structure does not belong in a residential neighborhood next to Glen Canyon Park and George Christopher Playground, especially on land mapped as an earthquake/landslide zone with documented seismic failures. It will stand out far above the treeline above Christopher Park and dominate the skyline above Glen Canyon. It is not a small structure like an add on to an existing garage, it is a massive tower!

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Sincerely,

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Sent from my iPhone

From: [Rheanna Bates](#)
To: [MandelmanStaff \(BOS\)](#); [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\)](#); [Ho, Calvin \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Subject: Support CEQA Exemption Appeal - AT&T Tower at 350 Amber Drive File No. 251094
Date: Tuesday, November 25, 2025 10:32:24 AM
Attachments: [Letter to Supervisor Mandelman.docx](#)

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My primary concerns are safety because I live close by and would be affected by many potential drawbacks of this tower.

Fire Risk: The site is classified as an Urban Wildfire/Wildland Interface risk area. The 190-gallon diesel backup generator for this massive electrical structure sits immediately next to aging oak and eucalyptus trees and must be tested monthly. These generators can cause fires. Telecom towers must power down before firefighters can apply water, causing dangerous delays. One spark in Diamond Heights' strong winds could be catastrophic for Glen Canyon Park, George Christopher Playground, the nearby nursery school, homes, and the shopping center. Fires are more and more common: Oakland Hills, Sonoma County, Monterey, Pacific Palisades. Climate change is here to stay and SF had its first Red Flag Days last year. We need to plan to prevent fires in Urban Wildfire Interface Areas, not provide incendiary opportunities for fires to start.

Seismic/Landslide Risk: The location is mapped as an earthquake and landslide zone by both the California Department of Conservation and San Francisco's Seismic Hazard Map. The Police Academy site has a documented history of seismic failures. A 104-foot tower weighing several tons on a 500-square-foot base in unstable soil (which will be made more unstable by the need to dig 30-60 feet to place the pole) poses significant landslide and soil failure risks which would be disastrous in an earthquake.

Environmental Impact: Glen Canyon Park is one of San Francisco's "significant natural resource areas" famous for the rare blue mission butterfly. The construction of the tower would damage the forest's roots which provide home to sensitive bird habitats that nest in the trees, coyote bush and

tall grasses. A fire or landslide would eliminate the Canyon's flora and fauna. This tower would permanently blight the Diamond Heights **historic "modernist" neighborhood**, designed to blend buildings with nature and preserve views and open space.

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I urge you to grant the appeal and require a full Environmental Impact Report examining all alternatives, including a detailed geotechnical study addressing the site's documented seismic failures.

Safety must be the Board of Supervisors' priority.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
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From: kathyhoward@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Katherine Howard](#)
To: [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: I am writing to you today regarding the appeal of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) exemption at 350 Amber Dr Project
Date: Tuesday, November 25, 2025 10:12:18 AM

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Sincerely,
Katherine Howard

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From: tkolish@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Theresa Kolish](#)
To: [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: I am writing to you today regarding the appeal of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) exemption at 350 Amber Dr Project
Date: Tuesday, November 25, 2025 10:04:06 AM

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Theresa Kolish

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From: juliajlathrop@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Julia Lathrop](#)
To: [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: I am writing to you today regarding the appeal of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) exemption at 350 Amber Dr Project
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Sincerely,
Julia Lathrop

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juliajlathrop@gmail.com

From: lamack2017@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Nancy Mackowsky](#)
To: [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: I am writing to you today regarding the appeal of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) exemption at 350 Amber Dr Project
Date: Tuesday, November 25, 2025 9:54:48 AM

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From: michaeldoyle74@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Michael Doyle](#)
To: [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: I am writing to you today regarding the appeal of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) exemption at 350 Amber Dr Project
Date: Tuesday, November 25, 2025 9:50:31 AM

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Sincerely,
Michael Doyle

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michaeldoyle74@gmail.com

From: zelkins94@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Zoe Elkins](#)
To: [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: I am writing to you today regarding the appeal of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) exemption at 350 Amber Dr Project
Date: Tuesday, November 25, 2025 9:49:22 AM

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Glen Canyon is a natural space that adds immense value to the local community. It should be preserved and should be safe guarded.

Safety must be the priority of the Board of Supervisors. I urge you to grant the appeal of the CEQA exemption.

Sincerely,
Zoe Elkins
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From: [Amanda L](#)
To: [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\)](#)
Cc: [MandelmanStaff \(BOS\); Ho, Calvin \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: SUPPPORT: Appeal of CEQA Exemption for 350 Amber Drive File No. 251094
Date: Tuesday, November 25, 2025 9:42:26 AM
Attachments: [251125 350 Amber CEQA Appeal.pdf](#)

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Hello,

Please see the attached letter in support of appealing the CEQA exemption for AT&T's proposed monopole at 350 Amber Drive, file no. 251094.

Sincerely,
Amanda Kost

November 25, 2025

Supervisor Mandelman
And Members of the SF Board of Supervisors
c/o Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

Dear Supervisor Mandelman,

Subject: SUPPPORT: Appeal of CEQA Exemption for AT&T Wireless 104' Monopole and Wireless Antenna Facility Tower at 350 Amber Drive File No. 251094

I am writing as a concerned resident to strongly urge you to grant the appeal of the Planning Commission's CEQA Class 3 Exemption for the proposed AT&T wireless tower at 350 Amber Drive, on the border of Glen Canyon Park *and* George Christopher Playground in Diamond Heights.

I visit both Glen Canyon Park *and* George Christopher Playground daily to walk my dog as well as monthly to hike with friends. These parks are an integral part of the San Francisco community and grant a reprieve from the hustle and bustle of city life, by allowing one to slow down and enjoy nature. Children use the playground equipment and field for baseball and soccer practice, as well as day programs and even learning how to ride a bike. Glen Canyon and George Christopher Playground are at the center of the community and is frequented by all San Francisco residents. I frequently see hiking groups walking through the Canyon, stopping for lunch or a coffee at the Diamond Heights shopping center and taking a break at George Christopher Playground before continuing on their adventure. This area is unique and special to San Francisco and must be preserved. I urge you to support this appeal for a 104 foot monopole that would negatively impact San Francisco.

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- Hazard signs are required in AT&T's own proposal.
- Telecom towers must power down before firefighters can apply water, causing dangerous delays for evacuations.
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(www.nytimes.com/1998/03/11/us/it-s-a-control-thing-vermont-vs-cell-phone-towers.html)

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From: [deb taylor](#)
To: [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\)](#)
Cc: [Ho, Calvin \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Att tower
Date: Tuesday, November 25, 2025 9:31:18 AM

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c/o [Clerk of the Board of Supervisors](#)

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Sincerely,

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[Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPhone](#)

From: agenthandy@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Erin Denny](#)
To: [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: I am writing to you today regarding the appeal of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) exemption at 350 Amber Dr Project
Date: Tuesday, November 25, 2025 9:18:05 AM

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Dear Legislative Services,

We do NOT want this tower. We are counting on you for support. The health hazards are scientifically documented. Please, as a scientist, this is not just fear mongering. I am not just afraid of tech or vaccines. This is a real risk. We are watching

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269 Madison St San Francisco, CA 94134-1347
agenthandy@gmail.com

From: tzimbardo@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Tanya Zimbardo](#)
To: [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: I am writing to you today regarding the appeal of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) exemption at 350 Amber Dr Project
Date: Tuesday, November 25, 2025 9:15:59 AM

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From: flyingfishfive@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Deb Lynn](#)
To: [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: I am writing to you today regarding the appeal of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) exemption at 350 Amber Dr Project
Date: Tuesday, November 25, 2025 6:19:05 AM

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To: [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: I am writing to you today regarding the appeal of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) exemption at 350 Amber Dr Project
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Sincerely,
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From: asmtoyou@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Amy Mc Manus](#)
To: [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: I am writing to you today regarding the appeal of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) exemption at 350 Amber Dr Project
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To: [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: I am writing to you today regarding the appeal of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) exemption at 350 Amber Dr Project
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To: [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: I am writing to you today regarding the appeal of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) exemption at 350 Amber Dr Project
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From: krisb42@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [KRISTEN BAILEY](#)
To: [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: I am writing to you today regarding the appeal of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) exemption at 350 Amber Dr Project
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To: [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: I am writing to you today regarding the appeal of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) exemption at 350 Amber Dr Project
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To: [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: I am writing to you today regarding the appeal of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) exemption at 350 Amber Dr Project
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robert mayer

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To: [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: I am writing to you today regarding the appeal of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) exemption at 350 Amber Dr Project
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Rafael: Need you to step up and help us put some reasonable modifications put into action with ATT.
A community meeting on this further is going to be needed. -Patrick Ciccarelli (Glen Park home owner)

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Sincerely,

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From: dmnaranjo@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Diana Naranjo](#)
To: [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: I am writing to you today regarding the appeal of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) exemption at 350 Amber Dr Project
Date: Monday, November 24, 2025 3:48:42 PM

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Sincerely,
Diana Naranjo

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From: rich13cal@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Richard Luzzi](#)
To: [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: I am writing to you today regarding the appeal of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) exemption at 350 Amber Dr Project
Date: Monday, November 24, 2025 3:31:48 PM

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Sincerely,
Richard Luzzi

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From: tod.elkins@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Tod Elkins](#)
To: [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: I am writing to you today regarding the appeal of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) exemption at 350 Amber Dr Project
Date: Monday, November 24, 2025 3:08:25 PM

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Dear Legislative Services,

I support the Diamond Heights neighbors' legitimate environmental and safety concerns. Please grant approval of the appeal for CEQA exemption for AT&T's proposed 104-foot wireless facility.

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The proposed massive 10-story monopole built on a 500 sqft pad will extend 20 feet above the tree line, topped with a bulky electric macro antenna towering over George Christopher Park, next to Glen Canyon, and visible to residents throughout the neighborhood.

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There are NO free-standing towers of this height or bulk in residential neighborhoods or next to parks. Location and unusual circumstances were not considered such as the critical natural resource of the Glen Canyon Park, and the unusual circumstances of history of the seismic landslide failures on the Site, the high potential of fire in the park and surrounding neighborhood and chemical hazards.

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The location sits on infill in a documented seismic and landslide hazard zone. It used to be an elementary school, but the site was deemed unworkable for schoolchildren. According to USGS, excavation to bedrock and the tower's weight will increase landslide risk in this high-soil-saturation area. Heavy rainfall and anticipated tree loss on the steep hillside below will accelerate erosion and instability as will an earthquake.

The neighborhood is an Historic Resource, including the St Nicholas Church built in 1964. Most homes in the neighborhood are over 50 years old, and an example of "modernist" architecture designed so they would blend with the natural environment preserving views of open space.

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misled Planning Commissioners to gain approval. Additionally, Verizon offers a similar, equally powerful emergency service on its 5G network, which is supported by a network of microcells and less invasive and hazardous structures.

ATT customers want good wireless service and less invasive alternatives do exist to serve customers in the targeted area. Other carriers provide coverage without such intrusive towers. Massive structures like this do not belong in landslide and fire zones and adjacent to parks, playgrounds, and homes.

Safety must be the priority of the Board of Supervisors. I urge you to grant the appeal of the CEQA exemption.

Sincerely,
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From: lainekbarriga@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Laine Barriga](#)
To: [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: I am writing to you today regarding the appeal of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) exemption at 350 Amber Dr Project
Date: Monday, November 24, 2025 2:23:17 PM

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Dear Legislative Services,

I am reaching out because I support the Diamond Hts neighbors' legitimate environmental and safety concerns. Please grant approval of the appeal for CEQA exemption for AT&T's proposed 104-foot wireless facility. Allowing this "exemption" sets a dangerous precedent for all neighborhoods. The proposed massive 10-story monopole built on a 500 sqft pad will extend 20 feet above the tree line, topped with a bulky electric macro antenna towering over George Christopher Park, next to Glen Canyon, and visible to residents throughout the neighborhood. This is not a "small addition to an existing structure" nor a "new" structure! It is one of only two wireless antenna facilities over 100 feet high, and both are in commercial zones and attached to buildings and other less tall facilities are near freeways or in industrial areas. There are NO free-standing towers of this height or bulk in residential neighborhoods or next to parks. Location and unusual circumstances were not considered such as the critical natural resource of the Glen Canyon Park, and the unusual circumstances of history of the seismic landslide failures on the Site, the high potential of fire in the park and surrounding neighborhood and chemical hazards. Glen Canyon Park is on the property line. It is designated as a SF "significant natural area" with many fragile examples of biodiversity-supporting native grasses, and sensitive bird species. It is a critical urban wildlife habitat. The forest and brush are an essential ecosystem. The tower construction will damage this sensitive environment and disrupt wildlife corridors (as will a fire or landslide). Safety concerns - A national telecom wildfire consultant stated this location is a real telecom fire threat. The site is within a designated "wildfire/wildland urban interface areas" and will be built among the aging trees. A certified arborist stated: digging to place the pole in bedrock will likely damage the roots and kill the trees (adding to landslide risk). Diamond Hts is one of the windiest neighborhoods and had red flag warnings last year. Towers must be powered down before applying water and evacuating the homes, nursery schools, the playground and shopping will be chaotic. Adding to the fire danger is the required 190-gallon diesel backup generator, which must be tested regularly. It will cause air quality hazards for children at nearby nursery schools Christopher Playground. -The location sits on infill in a documented seismic and landslide hazard zone. According to USGS, excavation to bedrock and the tower's weight will increase landslide risk in this high-soil-saturation area. Heavy rainfall and anticipated tree loss on the steep hillside below will accelerate erosion and instability as will an earthquake. The neighborhood is an Historic Resource; including the St Nicholas Church built in 1964. Most homes in the neighborhood are over 50 yrs old, and an example of "modernist" architecture designed so they would blend with the natural environment preserving views of open space.

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Sincerely,
Laine Barriga

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From: cassidy.elkins@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Cassidy Elkins](#)
To: [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: I am writing to you today regarding the appeal of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) exemption at 350 Amber Dr Project
Date: Monday, November 24, 2025 1:58:42 PM

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Sincerely,
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From: gpazienti@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Gaia Pazienti](#)
To: [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: I am writing to you today regarding the appeal of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) exemption at 350 Amber Dr Project
Date: Monday, November 24, 2025 12:22:23 PM

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Sincerely,
Gaia Pazienti

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From: gthrums@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Garrett Hayashida](#)
To: [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: I am writing to you today regarding the appeal of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) exemption at 350 Amber Dr Project
Date: Monday, November 24, 2025 10:27:15 AM

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Sincerely,
Garrett Hayashida

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From: chrisanne.bradley@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Chrisanne Bradley](#)
To: [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: I am writing to you today regarding the appeal of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) exemption at 350 Amber Dr Project
Date: Sunday, November 23, 2025 6:55:11 PM

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Sincerely,
Chrisanne Bradley

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