

ABBREVIATED CEQA CHECKLIST FOR Better Streets Plan Improvement Projects

Please include the following supporting materials with this checklist:

Project Description and scope of work *Existing* and *Proposed* Site plans Site photos Scope of work for: Air Quality Analysis Tech Memo (*if applicable*)¹ Green House Gas Emission Checklist² (*if applicable*)

I - PROJECT INFORMATION		
DATE		
PROJECT NAME		
LOCATION/ NEIGHBORHOOD		
CONSTRUCTION DURATION		
II - PROJECT CONTACT		
RESPONSIBLE AGENCY		
NAME		
ADDRESS		
PHONE		
EMAIL		
	III - PROJECT CHARACTERISTICS	
STREET TYPE ³	Varies (See attachment)	
	OR Provide a description: Residential Throughway	
STREET NAME		
⁴ FROM (CROSS-STREET 1) TO (CROSS-STREET 2)		

³ See Table 1 in PMND and verify final list of street types with the online version of the BSP.

¹ Individual projects prepared pursuant to the BSP would be required to undergo a separate environmental review that would consider whether the Proposed Project's location and construction plan could affect nearby sensitive receptors - p. 123 of the BSP's PMND - [Contact EP planner for a copy of scope of work outline].

² Individual streetscape projects would be required to undergo a separate environmental review pursuant to CEQA. The environmental review would include an analysis of the individual project's potential to emit GHGs. p.128 of the BSP's PMND. [Contact EP planner for a copy of GHG Checklist].

⁴ Street type determines what elements are appropriate for a design element. Different blocks of the same street may be characterized as different street types pursuant to BSP. Therefore, need to provide boundaries for project segments.

PROJECT SCREENING PART I (On the table below, please identify BSP's design elements that are part of the proposed project) DETAILED DESIGNED ELEMENTS STANDARD IMPROVEMENTS Requires Subsequent Environmental Review⁵ **BSP NUMBER/ NAME PROJECT ELEMENT** (EP PLANNER DETERMINATION ONLY) SI-1 Accessible curb ramps SI-2 Marked crosswalks SI-3 Pedestrian signal timing SI-4 Curb radii guidelines SI-5 Corner curb extensions SI-6 Street trees SI-7 Tree basin furnishing SI-8 Sidewalk planters SI-9 \square Stormwater management tools SI-10 Street lighting SI-11 Special paving SI-12 Site furnishings CASE-BY-CASE IMPROVEMENTS CBC-1 High-visibility crosswalk CBC-2 Special crosswalk CBC-3 Vehicle turning movements CBC-4 Removal or reduction of permanent crosswalk closures

⁵ Please check analysis in PMND to determine if design element has been cleared under CEQA. For example, as stated in p.89 of the BSP's PMND the implementation of RTOR prohibition at intersections that experience high volumes of right-turning movements (greater than 300 vehicles in the peak hour) or have near-side bus stops would require additional study and environmental review.



PROJECT SCREENING PART I CONT.			
NUMBER/ NAME	PROJECT ELEMENT	REQUIRES SUBSEQUENT ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW ⁶ (DO NOT FILL IN, THIS SECTION IS FOR EP PLANNER DETERMINATION ONLY)	
CBC-5 Mid-block crosswalks			
CBC-6 Raised crosswalks			
CBC-7 Extended bulb-outs			
CBC-8 Mid-block blub-out			
CBC-9 Center or side medians			
CBC-10 Pedestrian refugee islands			
CBC-11 Transit bulb-out			
CBC-12 Transit boarding islands			
CBC-13 Perpendicular or angled parking			
CBC-14 Flexible use of parking			
CBC-15 Parking lane planters			
CBC-16 Chicanes			
CBC-17 Traffic calming circles			
CBC-18 Roundabouts			
CBC-19 Pocket parks			
CBC-20 Reuse of 'pork chops'			
CBC-21 Boulevard treatments			

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PROJECT SCREENING PART I CONT.				
NUMBER/ NAME	PROJECT ELEMENT	REQUIRES SUBSEQUENT ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW ⁷ (DO NOT FILL IN, THIS SECTION IS FOR EP PLANNER DETERMINATION ONLY)		
CBC-22 Shared public ways				
CBC-23 Pedestrian-only streets				
CBC-24 Public stairs				
CBC-25 Multi-use paths				
CBC-26 Above-ground landscaping				
OTHER DESIGN IMPROV	/EMENTS IN THE BETTER STRI (Not identified above)	EETS PLAN (BSP)		
DESIGN ELEMENT NAME BSP PAGE NUMBER				
(EP PLANNER COMMENTS):				

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PROJECT SCREENING PART I CONT.

(On the table below, please identify BSP's design elements that are part of the proposed project. If any of the questions listed below pertain to this project, please answer "YES". If none apply, indicate so by checking the red box below.)

IDENTIFY STORM WATER FACILITIES THAT ARE PART OF THE PROJECT

	Project Element	Requires Subsequent Environmental Review ⁸ (FOR EP PLANNER DETERMINATION ONLY)	
Permeable Paving			
Bioretention Facilities			
Swales			
Infiltration Boardwalks			
Infiltration and Soakage Trench			
Channels and Runnels			
Vegetated Buffer Strip			
Vegetated Gutter			
Other (describe stormwater improvements)			
If none of the above BSP design elements apply, please indicate so by checking this box			
(EP PLANNER COMMENTS):			

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PROJECT SCREENING PART II

(If any of the questions listed below pertain to this project, please answer "YES". If none apply, indicate so by checking the red box below.

Note: If you answer "YES" to any of the questions listed below, this checklist may not be utilized, and therefore, and Environmental Evaluation application must be filled.)

TRANSPORTATION/CIRCULATION

Does the project include right turn on red (RTOR) at locations where the peak hour right-turning traffic volume exceeds 300 vehicles per hour; or require any removal of multiple turn lanes; or the bus stop is located in the near side?	Yes
Does the project include removal of crosswalk closures?	Yes
Does the project include mid-block crosswalks on a two-way street where traffic volumes exceed 500 vehicles per hour in either direction during the peak hour?	Yes
Does the project include roundabouts?	Yes
Does the project include pedestrian-only streets on a street where through traffic is greater than 100 vehicles per hour in the peak hour, or there is transit service, or there are driveways or parking garages, or loading activities cannot be accommodated during off-peak hours?	Yes
Does the project include multi-use paths?9	Yes
Does the project include shared public ways on streets with park garages with parking spaces > 100, or through traffic > 100 cars per hours, or transit service?	Yes
PROJECT ELEMENTS THAT WILL REQUIRE TECH SPEC EVALUATION: ¹⁰	
(If the project includes any of the elements listed below, the project will require Tech Spec E	Evaluation).
HISTORICAL/ARCHEO RESOURCES (All applications need preliminary review for potential impacts to archeological resources pursuant	t to EP practice.)
Is the proposed project located within a potential historic district or on a street adjacent to a historic landmark? Please state the name of the historic district or historic landmark:	Yes
Does the proposed project involve an identified historic resource among the following: street furniture, light standards, signage, curbs, places, bricks, walls, and other paving materials? Please identify the historic elements that are part of the proposed project:	Yes
Does the proposed project involve removal of trees adjacent to historic resources?	Yes
If none of the above BSP design elements apply, please indicate so by checking this box 🗌	

¹⁰ EP NEEDS TO DETERMINE HOW COORDINATION WILL OCCUR



⁹ The BSP does not provide guidance on the location or design of Multi-use Paths. Therefore, at the time a location for implementation is proposed, it would be subject to site-specific environmental review.

PROJECT SCREENING PART III					
Project elements that would require implementation of Mitigation Measures and Monitoring Reports organized by CEQA Topic.					
CEQA Topic	Sub-topic	Meet criteria/threshold: ¹¹ Yes/No or N/A	Requires mitigation measure: Yes/No	Potential impacts differ from PMND analysis (Y/N). If "Yes" briefly describe on a separate sheet.	Project Sponsor Agrees to Implement Mitigation Measures
		Aesthe	tics		
Does the proposed project involve removal of significant trees? Yes No	Significant trees	N/A			
Does the project involve tree root trimming? Yes D No D If so, is tree root trimming greater than two inches? Yes D No D		N/A	Aesthetics Tree Root Protection Mitigation Measure M-AE-1 applies if trimming of roots are greater than two (2) inches in diameter (p.53).		
		lone of the above CEQA	topics apply to the proj	ect	
		Historical/Archeolog	gical Resources		
Does the project require excavation depth greater than two (2) feet? Yes INO I	Accidental discovery		Archeological Accidental Discovery mitigation measure Cul-1 applies to all projects except for those occurs in an area within Hispanic Period Archeological District (p.64).		
Does the project occur in an area within the Hispanic Period Archeological District? ¹² Yes No	Hispanic Period District		Archeological Monitoring Hispanic Period mitigation measure Cul-2 applies (p.64).		
□ None of the above CEQA topics apply to the project					
Transportation and Circulation					
Does the project include removal of loading spaces? Yes No	Loading		Provision of New Loading Space, Mitigation Measure TR-1 (p.78).		

¹¹ The Project sponsor should discuss with EP planner how to proceed with projects that do not meet the PMND's thresholds.

¹² <u>TO BE EVALUATED BY EP PLANNER</u>. The Spanish Period Map is not available for public review due to the sensitivity of the archeological resources encountered in the area.

PROJECT SCREENING PART III CONT.					
Project elements that would require implementation of Mitigation Measures and Monitoring Reports organized by CEQA Topic.					
		Air Qual	ity		
	Construction impacts		Dust Control Plan, Mitigation Measure AQ-1 applies to ALL projects (p.120).		
Biological Resources					
Does the project include tree removal? Yes No	Nesting birds		Nesting Birds Mitigation Measure M- Bio-1 (p.151).		
		Biological Resou	rces (Cont.)		
What is the expected duration period of construction?	Nesting birds		Nesting Birds Mitigation Measure M- Bio-1 (p.151).		
Which months would construction occur?	Nesting birds		Nesting Birds Mitigation Measure M- Bio-1 (p.151).		
Hazardous Materials					
Does the project occur in an area within the Maher-designated area? ¹³ Yes No	Determination of contaminated soil		Hazardous Materials Mitigation Measure M- HAZ-1 (p.161).		
(EP PLANNER COMMENTS):					

¹³ www.sfdph.org/dph/EH/HazWaste/MaherSiteMap.asp

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This section is to be filled by EP Planner. Use check boxes to indicate type of review conducted (as applicable). Leave blank if not applicable to the Project.

Project was screened for potential impacts to archeological resources pursuant to EP practice.
Project was screened by a Tech Spec for potential impacts to historical resources pursuant to EP practice.
Applicable Mitigation Measures are applied to the project.
Green House Gas analysis performed and approved by EP.
Air Quality Memo approved by EP.
The project was reviewed by DPH and DTSC, and a memo of concurrence was submitted to EP (for projects within the Maher Layer only).
PMND was reviewed and no items were identified that would require subsequent environmental review.

CEQA Determination
Note to file, contingent upon regulatory agency approval or other information, as follows:
Note to file (no additional documentation required)
Supplemental EIR or MND
Notes:
Planner Signature
Planner Signature
Date:
Signee (print name):



At both intersections; construction of new ADA compliant curb ramps with concrete detectable warning tiles, grooved warning bands, 3.5' thick concrete sidewalk, combined 6' wide concrete curb and 2'wide concrete gutter, removal and replacement of concrete base around the curb return area, and ACWS, existing 8" road base would be removed, the subbase excavated to a depth of 2", backfilled, and compacted, and new8" road base constructed and covered with 2" ACWS, remove and salvage/reset granite curb where it exists. Depth of excavation for the curb ramp will be approximately 0.5'. Existing utility vaults and boxes will be reset, with adjustments as needed. Existing trees will be protected in place.









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INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS BLVD AND 46TH AVENUE SOUTH CURB RAMP DETAILS	CONTRACT NO. 10037211 DRAWING NO. CR-6 FILE NO. XXXXXX REV. NO. Bin

Maher Ordinance Screening Request

For a project to which you have been assigned as a Public Works project manager, complete the top of this form and submit to SAR, with plan showing the limits of excavation and of known Maher locations in the work area.

Proj	ect Name:	_ JO#	Date submitted:
Subi	mitted by: Date reque	ested by (m	minimum of 20 working days):
Des	scribe the general project scope, and give details	of ground	d-disturbing activities:
Des way	scribe the project location(s). For work in parcel 7, provide street addresses for the beginning and	s, provide ends of ea	e street addresses. For work in the public right-of- each street segment in which work will be done:
Esti or e	imated volume of excavated native material earthen fill that the project will generate:	yd ³ p	Does the project require a building or grading permit from DBI? Yes □ No □
Date	FOR SITE ASSESSME SA&R: Complete this section, initial, and forv returned to PM: Initial:	ward to Projec Date	REMEDIATION USE ect Manager and Regulatory Affairs Manager: e forwarded to RA: Initial:
	Project does not meet excavation-volume threshold	d and/or int	ntersect with a known Maher site. Maher does not apply.
	Project does not require a building or grading includes all projects for the repair and replacer way for end-of-life replacement and/or to add Per Health Code §22A.3 and Building Code §2	permit fro ment ("R& ress structu 106A.2.4, †	om the Department of Building Inspection. This &R") of existing structures in the public right-of- tural inadequacies found during regular inspection the Maher Ordinance does not apply.
	Project does not require a building or grading require construction specifications for protect handling and disposal to meet state and federa \$ for specification developm	permit and ion for wor Il regulator nent.	nd Maher does not apply, but the project will orkers and the public, and for hazardous-materials ory requirements. Please budget an estimated
	Project requires a building permit and/or grad cubic yards of native material or earthen fill. A \$ in SFPH fees. We anticipate the	ing permit A Maher ap hat the foll	it and will bring to the surface 50 or more application is required. Please budget an initial llowing will also be required:
Reco	□ Site history (Phase I ESA).		 Phase II / Phase II workplan. With site mitigation plan. With site mitigation report/ Environmental inspection.

To complete this form, you will need the following information:

You will need to know that approximate total amount of excavated earth and earthen fill your project will bring to the surface, both permanent excavation and excavation that later will be backfilled. The key to whether or not activities add to your Maher total is whether or not the material brought up is earth or earthen fill -- roadway base, for example, does not count -- and whether or not it is brought to the surface -- pile driving does not count, but the spoils of holes drilled for piles will.

The easiest way to arrive at an approximate total is to classify excavations by type. For example, your project may have 12 pole footings, and two linear trenches. Each footing requires excavation of an area approximately 5' x 5' to a depth of 5'. There are 12 of these, so 5' x 5' x 5' x 12 = 1,500 ft³. For the trenches, one is 10' deep, 5' wide, and 40' long, and the other is 8' deep, 5' wide, and 20' long. This would be (10' x 5' x 40') + (8' x 5' x 20') = 2,800 ft³. Together, the total excavation for Maher is about 150 yd3, which would go over the 50 yd³ limit that triggers Maher screening.

You'll need to provide a brief description of your project. Provide a general scope of your project (whether it is a streetscape project, a building-rehabilitation project, etc.) and provide details on the construction activities that will disturb the soil. For example, discuss the pole footings and the excavation that will accompany their construction. Provide identifiable project location(s). If your project is on a parcel, give the project address. If the project is in the public right-of-way, give, at a minimum, the street addresses at the beginning and end of each street segment. If the project is on a large public parcel (such as a park/open space), give enough information so that the location can clearly be identified.

You will need to provide mapping of your excavations with the Maher mapping overlain in order to facilitate SAR's presentation of your project information to San Francisco Public Health (SFPH), who oversee Maher compliance. Present the layers of your plans that contain the bulk of your excavation activities, and overlay the Maher Map. Maher mapping in GIS and DWG form can be found on the Public Works GIS server at

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Email this mapping along with the filled-out (top section only) digital version of the PDF form to the Site Assessment and Remediation (SAR) section. SAR will respond (after a minimum of 20 working days) with an assessment of whether or not your project requires further action, and what this action will be.

SAR: Robert Begley <robert.c.begley@sfdpw.org> Regulatory Affairs: Boris Deunert <boris.deunert@sfdpw.org>

Google Maps 2798 46th Ave



Image capture: Aug 2014 © 2021 Google

San Francisco, California



Street View



Google Maps Sloat Blvd



Image capture: Jun 2019 © 2021 Google

San Francisco, California



Street View





CEQA EXEMPTION / NEPA CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION DETERMINATION FORM (rev. 11/2020)

Project Information

Project Name (if applicable): Sloat Boulevard Infrastructure Improvements

DIST-CO-RTE: 04-SF-0-CR PM/PM: N/A

EA: N/A Federal-Aid Project Number: FERPL18-5934(186)

Project Description

San Francisco Public Works proposes to construct improvements on Sloat Boulevard at the intersections of 45th Avenue and 46th Avenue in the City of San Francisco. Project work includes: construction of new ADA-compliant curb ramps with concrete detectable warning tiles; grooved warning bands; 3.5' thick concrete sidewalk; combined 6' wide concrete curb and 2' wide concrete gutter; removal and replacement of concrete base around the curb return area; removal and replacement of 8" road base and 2" sub-base with 2" ACWS cover; removal and salvage/reset of granite curb; and resetting existing utility vaults and boxes with adjustments as needed. All work will occur within existing right of way.

Caltrans CEQA Determination (Check one)

Not Applicable – Caltrans is not the CEQA Lead Agency

□ Not Applicable – Caltrans has prepared an IS or EIR under CEQA

Based on an examination of this proposal and supporting information, the project is: **Exempt by Statute.** (PRC 21080[b]; 14 CCR 15260 et seq.)

- □ **Categorically Exempt. Class** Enter class. (PRC 21084; 14 CCR 15300 et seq.)
 - □ No exceptions apply that would bar the use of a categorical exemption (PRC 21084 and 14 CCR 15300.2). See the <u>SER Chapter 34</u> for exceptions.
- □ **Covered by the Common Sense Exemption**. This project does not fall within an exempt class, but it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity may have a significant effect on the environment (14 CCR 15061[b][3].)

Senior Environmental Planner or Environmental Branch Chief

Print Name

Signature

Date

Project Manager

Print Name

Signature

Date



Caltrans NEPA Determination (Check one)

□ Not Applicable

Caltrans has determined that this project has no significant impacts on the environment as defined by NEPA, and that there are no unusual circumstances as described in 23 CFR 771.117(b). See <u>SER Chapter 30</u> for unusual circumstances. As such, the project is categorically excluded from the requirements to prepare an EA or EIS under NEPA and is included under the following:

☑ **23 USC 326:** Caltrans has been assigned, and hereby certifies that it has carried out the responsibility to make this determination pursuant to 23 USC 326 and the Memorandum of Understanding dated April 18, 2019, executed between FHWA and Caltrans. Caltrans has determined that the project is a Categorical Exclusion under:

⊠ 23 CFR 771.117(c): activity (c)(3)

□ 23 CFR 771.117(d): activity (d)(Enter activity number)

 \Box Activity Enter activity number listed in Appendix A of the MOU between FHWA and Caltrans

□ **23 USC 327:** Based on an examination of this proposal and supporting information, Caltrans has determined that the project is a Categorical Exclusion under 23 USC 327. The environmental review, consultation, and any other actions required by applicable Federal environmental laws for this project are being, or have been, carried out by Caltrans pursuant to 23 USC 327 and the Memorandum of Understanding dated December 23, 2016 and executed by FHWA and Caltrans.

Senior Environmental Planner or Environmental Branch Chief

Tom Holstein

Print Name

Signature

Signature

12 May 2021 Date

Project Manager/ DLA Engineer

Jimmy Panmai

Print Name

5/12/2021

Date

Date of Categorical Exclusion Checklist completion: 4/20/2021 Date of Environmental Commitment Record or equivalent: N/A

Briefly list environmental commitments on continuation sheet if needed (i.e., not necessary if included on an attached ECR). Reference additional information, as appropriate (e.g., additional studies and design conditions).



CEQA EXEMPTION / NEPA CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION DETERMINATION FORM



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Date: April 7, 2021

Regarding: San Francisco Public Works: FERPL18-5934(186) Sloat Infrastructure Improvement Project NEPA Clearance Mitigation Measures Letter

Dear Mr. Rivas,

We are writing to you regarding the Sloat Infrastructure Improvement Project, FERPL18-5934(186). This letter is our written commitment to include the following Standard Mitigation Measures in the project:

Check	Number	Mitigation
Traffic		
х	T4	There will be advance notification of construction work to the community and stakeholders in accordance with Local Agency procedures.
Noise		
x	N1	Construction activity will only occur during the Local Agency's allowable daytime construction hours.
Х	N2	Construction activity will comply with Section 14-8 of the Caltrans Standard Specifications (Noise Control).
x	N3	Construction activity will comply with all applicable local noise ordinances and regulations.
Water Q	uality	
x	W1	Best Management Practices will be used to prevent construction-related debris entering drainage inlets or indirectly into any other water resources.
Biology		
<	B2	Tree protection fencing will be used to protect the trees that are not to be removed during construction
(B5	All work will be contained within the existing paved area



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Archa	eology	
X	A1	If cultural materials are discovered during construction, work shall be halted in that area until a qualified archaeologist has assessed the potential discovery and determined the need for further action.
Equip	ment Stagir	g
Х	E1	Equipment staging will be left to the contractor. The specifications will require the following:
		 The staging area will be located on an existing asphalt or concrete surface area. Excavation below the asphalt or concrete will not be permitted.
		 The staging area will be included in any SWPPP or WPCP prepared for the project.
		 The staging area will not be located adjacent to environmentally or culturally sensitive areas (eg wildlife sites, wetlands, archaeological sites).
		 The staging area will not be located in a regulatory floodway or within the base floodplain (100-year).
		 The staging area will not affect access to properties or roadways.

The above measures will be added to the construction contract. We appreciate your assistance on this project. Please feel free to call me at (415) 554-8258 or by email at <u>edmund.lee@sfdpw.org</u>.

Sincerely,

Edmund Lee San Francisco Public Works Project Manager