

**APPENDIX C**

**California Historical  
Resources Information  
System Records Search**

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Re: Record search results for the proposed New EMC Building and Motorpool Relocation project

Dear Ms. Davis,

Per your request received by our office on October 20<sup>th</sup>, 2014, a records search was conducted for the above referenced project by reviewing pertinent Northwest Information Center (NWIC) base maps that reference cultural resources records and reports, historic-period maps, and literature for San Mateo County. Please note that use of the term cultural resources includes both archaeological resources and historical buildings and/or structures.

Review of this information indicates that there have been no cultural resource studies within project area 1 and four cultural resource studies that covered approximately 10% of project area 2 (Banet 1990, S-11881; Banet 1990, S-12292; Bakic 1999, S-22478; Kaptain 2009, S-38063). Both project areas contain no recorded archaeological resources. The State Office of Historic Preservation Historic Property Directory (OHP HPD) (which includes listings of the California Register of Historical Resources, California State Historical Landmarks, California State Points of Historical Interest, and the National Register of Historic Places) lists no recorded buildings or structures within either proposed project area. In addition to these inventories, the NWIC base maps show no recorded buildings or structures within the proposed project areas.

At the time of Euroamerican contact the Native Americans that lived in the area were speakers of the Ramaytush language, part of the Costanoan language family (Levy 1978:485). There are no Native American resources in or adjacent to the proposed project areas referenced in the ethnographic literature.

Based on an evaluation of the environmental setting and features associated with known sites, Native American resources in this part of San Mateo County have been found marginal to San Francisco Bay and associated wetlands, near seasonal and

perennial waterways and within Holocene age landforms. Both project areas are marginal to the Bay, less than one-half mile from Redwood Creek, and within Holocene age alluvial fan deposits. Given the similarity of one or more of these environmental factors, there is a high potential of identifying unrecorded Native American resources in the proposed New EMC Building and Motorpool Relocation project areas.

Review of historical literature and maps gave no indication that historic-period archaeological resources will be within the New EMC Building and Motorpool Relocation project areas. With this in mind, there is a low potential of identifying unrecorded historic-period archaeological resources in the proposed New EMC Building and Motorpool Relocation project areas.

The 1943 Palo Alto USGS 15-minute topographic quadrangle depicts a 'built-up area' within both project areas. These unrecorded buildings/structures may meet the Office of Historic Preservation's minimum age standard that buildings, structures, and objects 45 years or older may be of historical value.

## **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

1) There is a high potential of identifying Native American archaeological resources and a low potential of identifying historic-period archaeological resources in both project areas. 10% of project area 2 has been previously surveyed. Therefore, we recommend a qualified archaeologist conduct further archival and field study to identify cultural resources in project area 1 and the unsurveyed portions of project area 2. Field study may include, but is not limited to, pedestrian survey, hand auger sampling, shovel test units, or geoarchaeological analyses as well as other common methods used to identify the presence of archaeological resources. Please refer to the list of consultants who meet the Secretary of Interior's Standards at <http://www.chrisinfo.org>.

2) We recommend you contact the local Native American tribe(s) regarding traditional, cultural, and religious heritage values. For a complete listing of tribes in the vicinity of the project, please contact the Native American Heritage Commission at 916/373-3710.

3) The proposed project area may contain unrecorded buildings or structures. If the proposed project area contains buildings or structures that meet the minimum age requirement, prior to commencement of project activities, it is recommended that this resource be assessed by a professional familiar with the architecture and history of San Mateo County. Please refer to the list of consultants who meet the Secretary of Interior's Standards at <http://www.chrisinfo.org>.

4) Review for possible historic-period buildings or structures has included only those sources listed in the attached bibliography and should not be considered comprehensive.

5) If archaeological resources are encountered **during construction**, work should be temporarily halted in the vicinity of the discovered materials and workers should avoid altering the materials and their context until a qualified professional archaeologist has evaluated the situation and provided appropriate recommendations. Project personnel should not collect cultural resources. Native American resources include chert or obsidian flakes, projectile points, mortars, and pestles; and dark friable soil containing shell and bone dietary debris, heat-affected rock, or human burials. Historic-period resources include stone or adobe foundations or walls; structures and remains with square nails; and refuse deposits or bottle dumps, often located in old wells or privies.

6) It is recommended that any identified cultural resources be recorded on DPR 523 historic resource recordation forms, available online from the Office of Historic Preservation's website: [http://ohp.parks.ca.gov/default.asp?page\\_id=1069](http://ohp.parks.ca.gov/default.asp?page_id=1069)

Due to processing delays and other factors, not all of the historical resource reports and resource records that have been submitted to the Office of Historic Preservation are available via this records search. Additional information may be available through the federal, state, and local agencies that produced or paid for historical resource management work in the search area. Additionally, Native American tribes have historical resource information not in the California Historical Resources Information System (CHRIS) Inventory, and you should contact the California Native American Heritage Commission for information on local/regional tribal contacts.

The California Office of Historic Preservation (OHP) contracts with the California Historical Resources Information System's (CHRIS) regional Information Centers (ICs) to maintain information in the CHRIS inventory and make it available to local, state, and federal agencies, cultural resource professionals, Native American tribes, researchers, and the public. Recommendations made by IC coordinators or their staff regarding the interpretation and application of this information are advisory only. Such recommendations do not necessarily represent the evaluation or opinion of the State Historic Preservation Officer in carrying out the OHP's regulatory authority under federal and state law.

Thank you for using our services. Please contact this office if you have any questions, (707) 588-8455.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Lacey Klopp".

Lacey Klopp  
Researcher

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\*\*Note that the Office of Historic Preservation's *Historic Properties Directory* includes National Register, State Registered Landmarks, California Points of Historical Interest, and the California Register of Historical Resources as well as Certified Local Government surveys that have undergone Section 106 review.