

Notice of Exemption

21-2026-052

Appendix E

To: Office of Planning and Research
P.O. Box 3044, Room 113
Sacramento, CA 95812-3044
County Clerk
County of: Marin
3501 Civic Center Drive, Rm. 247
San Rafael, CA 94903

From: (Public Agency):
Novato Fire Protection District
95 Rowland Way, Novato, CA 94945
(Address)

FILED

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SHELLY SCOTT
MARIN COUNTY CLERK
BY: L. Vortey, Deputy

Project Title: Station 62 Sewer Pump Station and Force Main

Project Applicant: Novato Fire Protection District

Project Location - Specific:
450 Atherton Ave, Novato CA 94945

Project Location - City: City of Novato Project Location - County: Marin

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

Redirect sewer flow to regional treatment via existing sewage system to avoid local treatment issues.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Novato Fire Protection District

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Novato Fire Protection District

Exempt Status: (check one):

- Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268);
Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));
Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c));
[X] Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: 15301 (b) Existing Sewer
Statutory Exemptions. State code number:

Reasons why project is exempt:

The project consists of replacement of existing failing sewer facilities with new sewer facilities and is therefore categorically exempt based on Section 15301 (b). The sewer capacity of the project area is not being increased in size, therefore there is no expansion of use.

Lead Agency
Contact Person: Dan J. Peters, Fire Chief Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 415-878-2600

If filed by applicant:

- 1. Attach certified document of exemption finding.
2. Has a Notice of Exemption been filed by the public agency approving the project? [X] Yes [ ] No

Signature: Dan J. Peters Date: 3/18/26 Title: Fire Chief

[X] Signed by Lead Agency [ ] Signed by Applicant

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code.
Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.

Date Received for filing at OPR:

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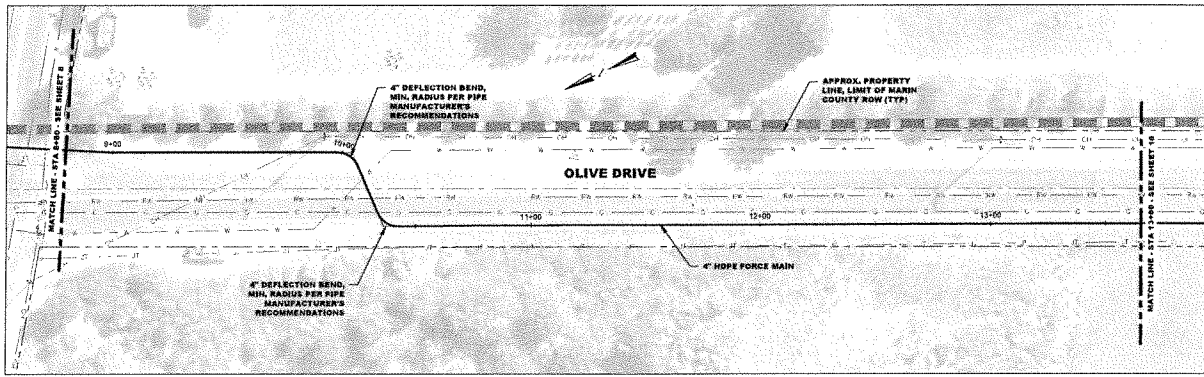




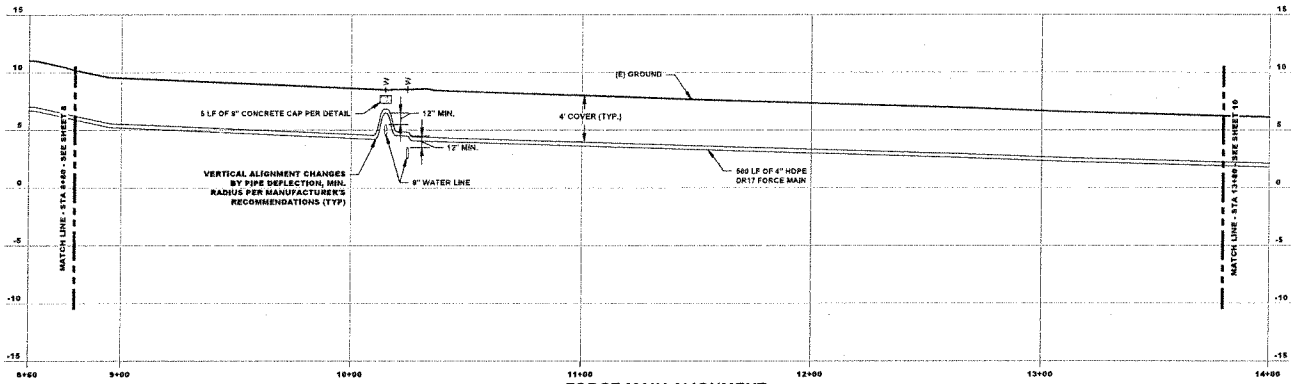




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**FORCE MAIN ALIGNMENT PLAN**



**FORCE MAIN ALIGNMENT PROFILE**

1" = 10'  
 ELEVATION IN FEET  
 HORIZONTAL DISTANCE IN FEET

**Not Approved  
 For Construction**

DATE:	NOV 12 2024
PROJECT NO.:	1660
PROJECT NAME:	NOVATO FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT STATION 82 SEWER PUMP STATION AND FORCE MAIN
DATE:	MAY 1 2025
SHEET NO.:	9 OF 13

PREPARED BY: **NOVI ENGINEERING**  
 PROJECT MANAGER: **NOVI ENGINEERING**  
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## Field Trip Outline

### Overview

<b>Project Name</b>	<b>Novato Fire District – Fire-Smart Demonstration Garden</b>
Date/Time	March 27, 2026 @ 10am
Meeting location for public / parking	<u>95 Rowland Way, Novato, Calif. 94945</u>
Field trip location(s)	Novato Fire Administrative Building, 95 Rowland Way, Novato, Calif. 94938
Flow	10:00 Circle up, MWPA (Anne), ESP hello (Belle), Hand-off to Novato (Lizzy) 10:10 Project background/intro (Lizzy & April Owens) 10:20 Station 1 (Lizzy) Why fire-smart landscaping, Zone Zero 10:30 Station 2 (Lizzy) Plant selection & placement, screening 10:40 Station 3 (Lizzy) maintenance, lessons learned 10:50 Activity & time for questions 11:15 Say goodbye
Hosting Entities	Marin Wildfire, NFD, ESP
Materials	Project design/description Sign in sheet, pen, clipboard (MWPA staff) Waters – Anne Demo Garden flyers, home assessment flyers, door hangers? – NFD Other?
Main goals to accomplish?	Provide a general overview of the main aspects to fire-smart landscaping and how to create a fire-smart garden at home, create a dialogue/questions surrounding fire-smart landscaping
Important Talking Points or Facts about the project?	* Installed in 2024, just over 2 years old
Potential controversies	Fire smart mulch?

### Participants to keep an eye out for and thank for attending:

County Supervisors	
Board members	
Committee members	
Other elected officials	

Other RSVPs:

