SAN FRANCISCO REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY
SAN FRANCISCO PLANNING DEPARTMENT

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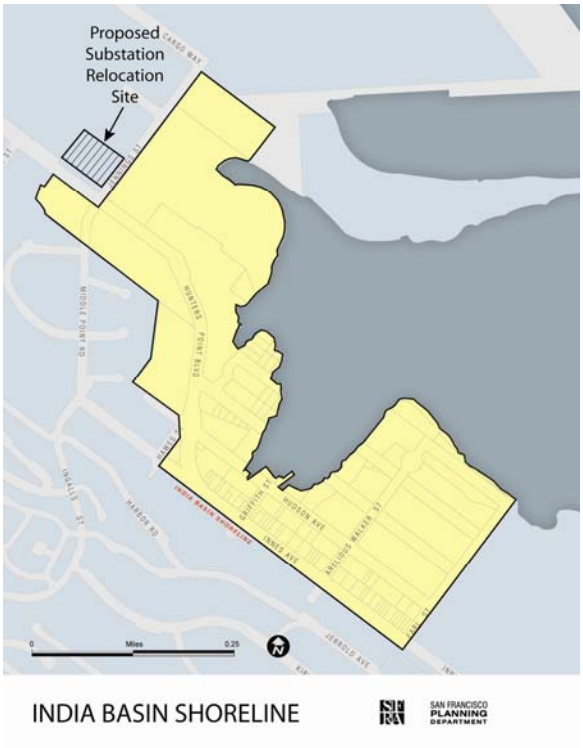
To Responsible Agencies, Trustee Agencies, and Interested Parties:

CASE NOS. ER12.01.09 & 2010.0195E - INDIA BASIN SHORELINE REDEVELOPMENT PROGRAM - NOTICE OF PREPARATION OF AN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT AND NOTICE OF PUBLIC SCOPING MEETING

A Notice of Preparation ("NOP") of an Environmental Impact Report ("EIR") for the above-referenced Project has been issued by the Redevelopment Agency of the City and County of San Francisco ("San Francisco Redevelopment Agency" or "Agency") and the Planning Department of the City and County of San Francisco ("San Francisco Planning Department" or "Department"), as Co-Lead Agencies. We are sending this notice to Responsible Agencies and other interested parties. Responsible Agencies are those public agencies and entities other than the Agency and the City and County of San Francisco ("City") that also have a role in reviewing, or in approving or carrying out certain aspects of the Project. When the Draft EIR is published, it will be sent to all Responsible Agencies and to others who respond to this Notice of Preparation or who otherwise indicate that they would like to receive a copy.

The complete Project Description/NOP is either attached or is available upon request from Stanley Muraoka**,** Environmental Review Officer, San Francisco Redevelopment Agency, One South Van Ness Avenue, Fifth Floor, San Francisco, CA 94103 (Email: Stanley.Muraoka@sfgov.org; Telephone 415-749-2577). If you have any questions, please contact Stanley Muraoka. The complete Project Description/NOP is also available on-line at www.sfgov.org on the Agency and Department websites.



Project Description: The India Basin Shoreline Redevelopment Program includes new land use controls for the India Basin Shoreline in Bayview Hunters Point ("BVHP") in the southeastern portion of the City and County of San Francisco. India Basin Shoreline is a 76-acre area, bounded generally by Jennings and Newhall Streets and Heron's Head Park to the north, the San Francisco Housing Authority Hunters View public housing sites and Innes Avenue to the west and south, and Earl Street and the Hunters Point Shipyard to the southeast. India Basin and the San Francisco Bay form the northeastern border of the Project area

The Project consists of both program elements and project elements. The program elements include: (1) an amendment of the *BVHP Redevelopment Plan* that would add the India Basin Shoreline to the BVHP Redevelopment Project Area; (2) an *India Basin Shoreline Subarea Plan* component of the *Bayview Hunters Point Area Plan* element of the *San Francisco General Plan ("General Plan")* along with possible amendments of other *General Plan* elements; (3) an India Basin Shoreline Special Use District ("SUD") would be added to the *San Francisco Planning Code* and associated Zoning Maps; and, (4) *India Basin Shoreline Design Guidelines*. The program elements would allow a largely industrial zoned area to support a mix of residential, commercial, and light industrial uses and new zoning, height districts, and design guidelines would regulate future development

in this area. The project elements, each of which facilitate implementation of the Redevelopment Program project, include: (1) Hudson Avenue Improvements that create a bicycle and pedestrian connection parallel to Innes Avenue; (2) Innes Avenue Streetscape Improvements to improve the livability and character along Innes Avenue; (3) the Hunters View Stairs project that will provide a pedestrian connection between the Hunters View development on Hunters Point Hill and the India Basin Shoreline; and (4) the Hunters Point Substation Relocation project, which would consist of the demolition and relocation of the existing 115 kilovolt (kV) to 12 kV PG&E switching substation.

Purpose of the Environmental Impact Report: The EIR provides information about the potential significant adverse environmental effects of the proposed Project and identifies possible ways to minimize the significant effects, and describes and analyzes possible alternatives to the Project. Preparation of the EIR does not indicate a decision by the Agency or the City to approve or disapprove the proposed Project. Prior to making any decision on the Project, the decision makers must review and consider the information contained in the EIR.

Responses to the Notice of Preparation: The Agency and Department seek your comments on the scope and content if environmental information to be provided in the forthcoming EIR. Please email or mail your response to this Notice of Preparation to : Stanley Muraoka, Environmental Review Officer, San Francisco Redevelopment Agency; One South Van Ness Avenue, Fifth Floor, San Francisco, California 94103 (Email: Stanley.Muraoka@sfgov.org).

Due to the time limits mandated by State law, your response to this Notice of Preparation must be received no later than **5:00 PM on Thursday, April 22, 2010**. Please reference case numbers (Agency) **ER12.01.09** and (Planning) **2010.0195E** in your response.

If you work for an agency that is a Responsible or a Trustee Agency, we need to know the views of your agency as to the scope and content of the environmental information that is relevant to your agency's statutory responsibilities in connection with the proposed project. Your agency may need to use the EIR when considering a permit or other approval for this project. We will also need the name of a contact person for your agency.

Public Scoping Meeting: The Agency and Department also will be holding a public scoping meeting on the India Basin Shoreline Redevelopment Program EIR on **Wednesday, April 7, 2010, from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM** at Our Lady of Lourdes Church located at Innes Avenue & Hawes Street, in India Basin Shoreline. The purpose of the public scoping meeting is to receive oral comments to assist the Agency and Department in reviewing the scope and content of the environmental impact analysis and information on the proposed Project to be included in the EIR. Written comments will also be accepted at this meeting.