

COASTAL CONSERVANCY

ADDENDUM

June 1, 2023

**South Bay Salt Pond Restoration Project Phase 2: Eden Landing and Mountain View
Implementation**

Project No: 02-070-05

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The Resolution and California Environmental Quality Act sections contained in the June 1, 2023 Staff Recommendation for the South Bay Salt Pond Restoration Project Phase 2: Eden Landing and Mountain View Implementation are replaced with the following:

Resolution:

The State Coastal Conservancy hereby authorizes a grant of an amount not to exceed ten million nine hundred forty thousand nine hundred and eleven dollars (\$10,940,911) to Ducks Unlimited ("the grantee") which includes \$3,940,911 in funds from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, to: 1) restore tidal marsh and enhance managed pond habitat as part of Phase 2 of the South Bay Salt Pond Restoration Project in Alameda County and Santa Clara County and 2) modify City of Mountain View infrastructure to protect it from impacts of Phase 2 tidal restoration if the Executive Officer determines any such modification is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act.

CEQA COMPLIANCE:

Actions included in this proposed authorization were evaluated in the Final Environmental Impact Report, South Bay Salt Pond Restoration Project, Eden Landing Phase 2 (Final Eden Landing Phase 2 EIR) which was certified by the California Department of Fish and Wildlife in May 2019 pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA"). The Conservancy made findings on the Final Eden Landing Phase 2 EIR at its May 16, 2019 meeting as part of an authorization of funding for design and permitting of the Phase 2 SBSP Restoration Project at Eden Landing. The actions proposed in this authorization remain consistent with those findings.

Other actions considered in this proposed authorization were evaluated as part of the Final Environmental Impact Statement/Report, Phase 2 South Bay Salt Pond Restoration Project, April 2016 (Final Phase 2 EIS/R). The Conservancy made findings on the Final Phase 2 EIS/R at its May 16, 2016 meeting (Exhibit 5) as part of an authorization that provided construction funding for the Phase 2 projects at Alviso and Ravenswood. The actions proposed in this authorization remain consistent with those findings.

Upon approval of the project, Conservancy staff will file a Notice of Determination.

The only elements of this proposed authorization not evaluated in existing CEQA documentation are the modifications to City of Mountain View infrastructure at Pond A2W. Based on current designs, these modifications appear to be minor alterations to existing structures and topographical features, and are therefore likely exempt from CEQA pursuant to 14 Cal Code of Regulations Section 15301, which exempts minor alteration of existing public facilities involving negligible or no expansion of existing use. The activities may also be exempt per Section 15304, which exempts minor alterations in the condition of land and does not involve removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees. The City of Mountain View is in the process of confirming that these modifications to City infrastructure are exempt. Only work that is exempt from CEQA will be funded through this authorization.