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## NOTICE OF DETERMINATION

**FEIR Certification Date:** January 12, 2023  
**Final Approval Date:** February 13, 2023  
**Case No.:** 2019-014146ENV  
**State Clearinghouse No:** 2021060231  
**Project Title:** **Lake Merced West Project**  
**Zoning:** P (Public)  
**Block/Lot:** 7283/004  
**Lot Size:** 11 acres (approx.)  
**Lead Agency:** San Francisco Planning Department  
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Pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), the Guidelines of the Secretary for Resources, and San Francisco requirements, this Notice of Determination is transmitted to you for filing. At the end of the posting period, please return this Notice to the Staff Contact with a notation of the period it was posted.

**Attached fee:**

\$75 filing fee    AND     \$3,839.25 EIR Fee

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## Project Description

The San Francisco Recreation and Parks Department (RPD) proposes the Lake Merced West Project which would create a recreational facility on approximately 11 acres located at 520 John Muir Drive, on the southwest side of Lake Merced, in southwestern San Francisco, California. The City and County of San Francisco, under the jurisdiction of the San Francisco Public Utilities Commission (SFPUC), owns the project site. RPD and SFPUC collectively manage recreation activities at Lake Merced, including the lease of the former site tenant, the Pacific Rod and Gun Club. RPD will also manage recreation activities at the proposed Lake Merced West recreational facility through selection and oversight of a concessionaire to construct and operate the facility.

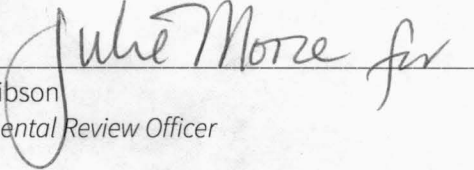
The project consists of the construction and operation of the Lake Merced West recreational facility. The recreational facility would offer an array of active and passive activities open to the public, such as trail use, picnicking, paddleboarding, kayaking, fishing, fitness activities, a ropes course, birdwatching, outdoor exercise, skateboarding, basketball, and other activities on multi-use courts, as well as restaurant dining, and indoor space for gatherings such as community meetings and birthday parties. Based on their condition, the existing buildings would be demolished. A new community building, restaurant, and outdoor patio would be built near the center of the site, along with a playground, multi-use court, basketball court, and picnic areas surrounded by meadows and natural areas. A new boathouse, boat dock, and watercraft soft landing area are proposed adjacent to the lake. An arborist office and yard are also proposed at the southeastern end of the site; new restrooms, a ropes course, and a skatepark are proposed on the west side of the site. The facility would include 80 public parking spaces.

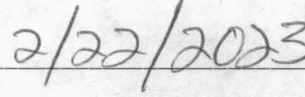
## Determination

The City and County of San Francisco decided to carry out or approve the project on January 19, 2023. On January 12, 2023, the San Francisco Planning Commission certified the Final EIR (Motion No. 21226). On January 19, 2023, the Recreation and Parks Commission approved the project and adopted CEQA Findings, a Statement of Overriding Considerations, and the Mitigation, Monitoring, and Reporting Program (Resolution No. 2301-008). The project was officially approved on February 21, 2023 when no appeal of the FEIR or project approval was filed. A copy of the document(s) may be examined at the San Francisco Planning Department, 49 South Van Ness Avenue, Suite 1400, San Francisco, CA, 94103 under Case No. 2019-014146ENV.

1. An Environmental Impact Report has been prepared pursuant to the provisions of CEQA. It is available to the public and may be examined at the Planning Department at the above address.
2. A determination has been made that the project in its approved form will have a significant effect on the environment and findings were made pursuant to Section 15091 and a statement of overriding considerations was adopted pursuant to Section 15093.
3. Mitigation measures were made a condition of project approval.

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Planning Director

  
By Lisa Gibson  
Environmental Review Officer

  
Date

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