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June 22, 1981

City Council  
Sacramento, California

Honorable Members in Session:

SUBJECT: Resolution Approving Negative Declaration for ROBLA DRAINAGE AREA 12-3  
AREA VII

SUMMARY:

The Environmental Coordinator has reviewed the subject project and finds that it will not have a significant adverse effect on the physical environment and therefore recommends that the project and a Negative Declaration be approved by the City Council.

BACKGROUND:

In accordance with State EIR Guidelines for Implementation of the California Environmental Quality Act of 1970, dated December 1976, an Initial Study was performed. As a result of this study, it was determined that the Robla Drainage Area 12-3 Area VII would not have a significant adverse effect on the physical environment and a draft Negative Declaration was prepared. On May 28, 1981 the Negative Declaration was filed with the County. On June 10, 1981 Notice of Opportunity for Public Review of the draft Negative Declaration was published in The Sacramento Union. The appropriate length of time has elapsed for receipt of comments regarding the Negative Declaration, with no comments having been received.

RECOMMENDATION:

The Environmental Coordinator recommends that the attached resolution be passed which will:

1. Determine that the proposed project will not have a significant effect on the environment.
2. Approve the Negative Declaration.

**APPROVED**  
BY THE CITY COUNCIL

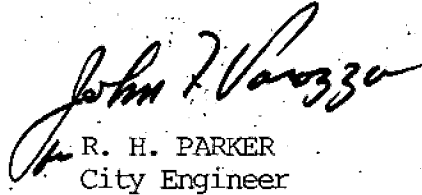
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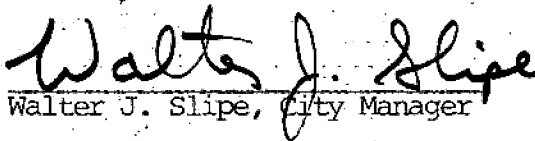
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3. Approve the project.
4. Authorize the Environmental Coordinator to file a Notice of Determination with the County Clerk.

Respectfully submitted,

  
R. H. PARKER  
City Engineer

Recommendation Approved:

  
Walter J. Slipe, City Manager

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**RESOLUTION NO.**

81-487

ADOPTED BY THE SACRAMENTO CITY COUNCIL ON DATE OF

June 30, 1981

**RESOLUTION APPROVING NEGATIVE DECLARATION  
FOR ROBLA DRAINAGE AREA 12-3 AREA VII**

WHEREAS, on May 28, 1981 R. H. Parker, the Environmental Coordinator of the City of Sacramento, filed a Negative Declaration with the County Clerk of Sacramento County for the following proposed City initiated project: ROBLA DRAINAGE AREA 12-3 AREA VII

WHEREAS, the prescribed time for receiving appeals has elapsed and no appeals were received,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SACRAMENTO:

1. That the proposed project, ROBLA DRAINAGE AREA 12-3 AREA VII will not have a significant effect on the environment.
2. That the Negative Declaration for the above-described project is hereby approved.
3. That the above-described project is hereby approved for the construction of storm drainage trunk lines and a pumping station.
4. That the Environmental Coordinator is authorized to file with the County Clerk a Notice of Determination for said project.

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MAYOR

ATTEST:

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CITY CLERK

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NEGATIVE DECLARATION

Pursuant to Division 6, Title 14, Chapter 3, Article 7, Section 15083 of the California Administrative Code and pursuant to the Procedures and Guidelines for preparation and processing of Environmental Impact Reports (Resolution 78-172) adopted by the City of Sacramento, pursuant to Sacramento City Code Chapter 63, the Environmental Coordinator of the City of Sacramento, California, a municipal corporation, does prepare, make, declare, publish, and cause to be filed with the County Clerk of Sacramento County, State of California this Negative Declaration regarding the project described as follows:

1. Title and Short Description of Project:

Robla Drainage Area 12-3 Area VII - Construction of storm drainage trunk lines and a pumping station.

2. Location of Project: Project is located in the northerly portion of the corporate area of the City of Sacramento.

(See attached map)

3. The Proponent of the Project: City of Sacramento

4. It is found that the project will not have a significant effect on the environment. A copy of the initial study is attached, which documents the reasons supporting the above finding and any mitigation measures included in the project to avoid any potentially significant effects identified in the initial study.

5. The Initial Study was Prepared by Richard Schmiedt

6. A copy of the Initial Study and this Negative Declaration may be obtained at 915 - I Street, Room 207, Sacramento, California 95814.

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DATED: May 22, 1981

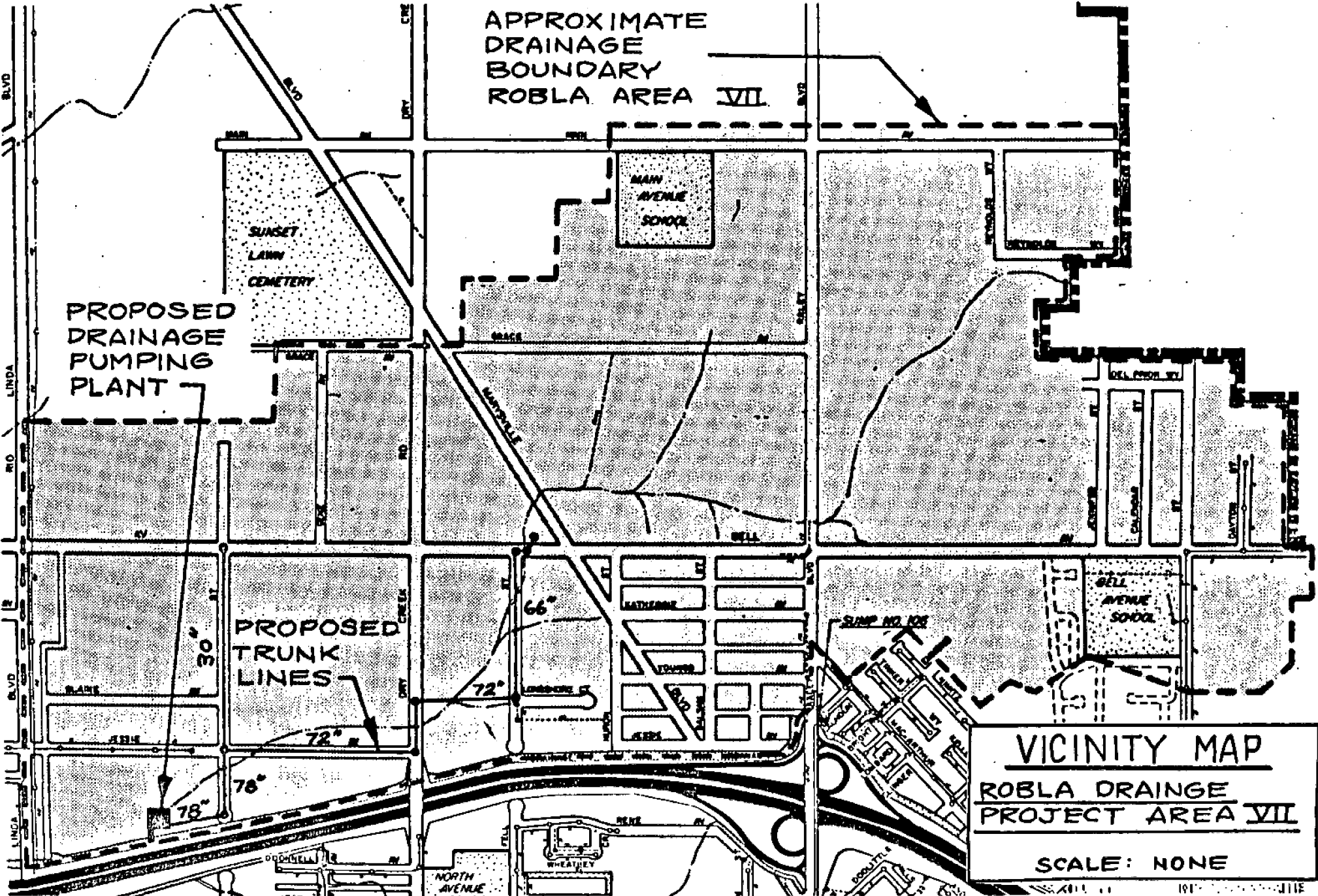
**ENDORSED**

MAY 28 1981

J.A. SIMPSON, CLERK  
By R. WEESHOFF, Deputy

Environmental Coordinator of  
the City of Sacramento,  
California, a municipal  
corporation

By   
R. H. PARKER, City Engineer



APPROXIMATE  
DRAINAGE  
BOUNDARY  
ROBLA AREA VII

SUNSET  
LAWN  
CEMETERY

MAIN  
AVENUE  
SCHOOL

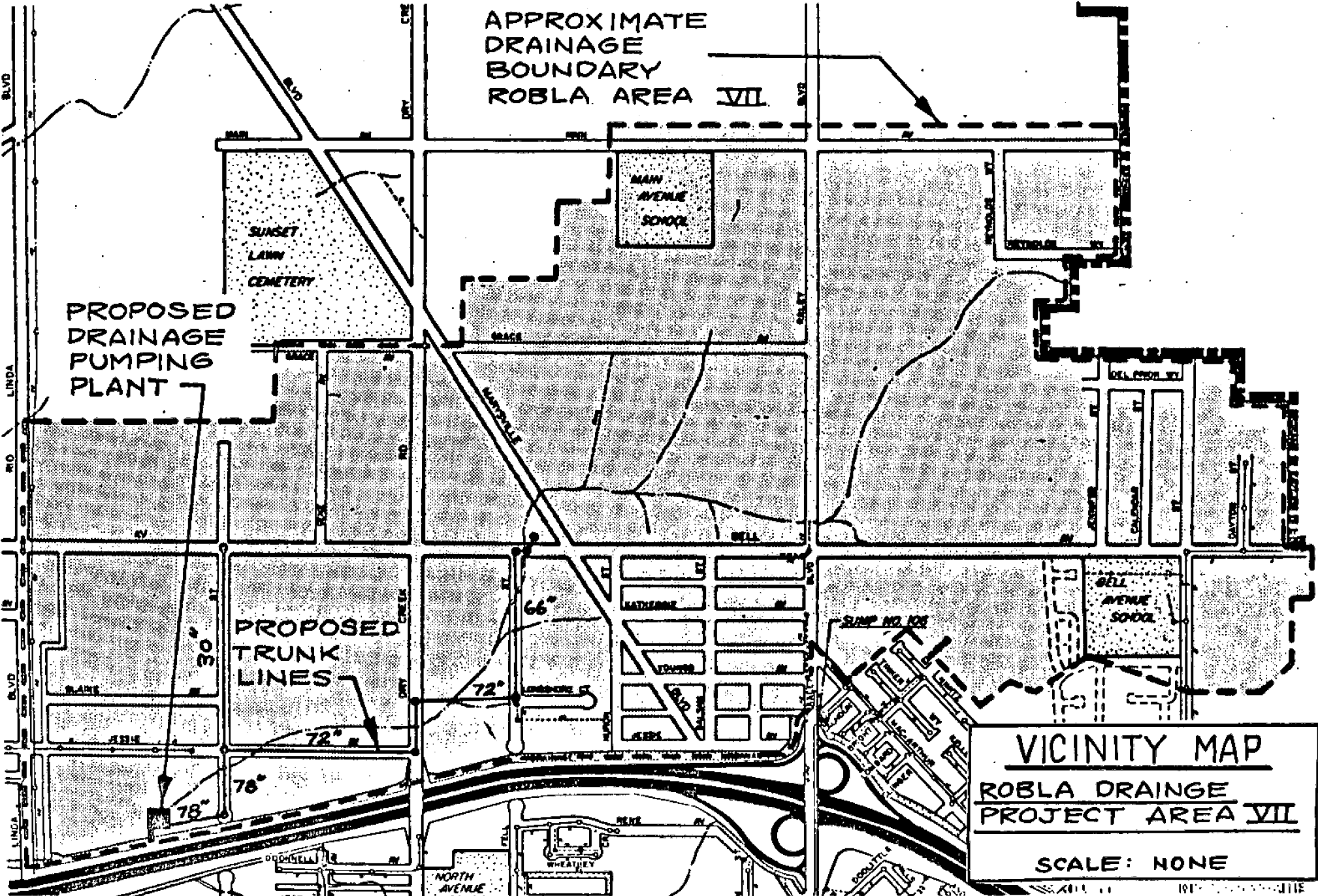
PROPOSED  
DRAINAGE  
PUMPING  
PLANT

PROPOSED  
TRUNK  
LINES

BELL  
AVENUE  
SCHOOL

VICINITY MAP  
ROBLA DRAINAGE  
PROJECT AREA VII

SCALE: NONE



## CITY OF SACRAMENTO

## INITIAL STUDY

References are to California Administrative Code, Title 14, Division 6, Chapter 3, Article 7, Section 15080.

1. Title and Description of Project (15080(c)(1))

Robla Drainage Area 12-3, Area VII - The project consists of  
constructing storm drainage trunk lines, and a drainage pumping  
station with a discharge to the existing channel along  
Highway 880.

2. Environmental Setting (15080(c)(2))

The project is located in the northerly portion of the City's  
corporate boundary. (See attached map.) The area contains  
approximately 630 acres, of which approx. 48% has been designated  
as residential, with the balance being mostly industrial and com-  
mercial. The existing housing is scattered and lacks public improve-  
ment such as drainage, curb, gutter and sidewalk, sanitary sewer, etc.

3. Environmental Effects - Attached checklist must be completed by person conducting initial study (15080(c)(3)).

4. Mitigation Measures - Attached list of mitigation measures must be completed by person conducting initial study (15080(c)(4)).

5. Compatibility with Existing Zoning and Plans (15080(c)(5))

This project is compatible with the zoning and community plan for the area.

Date May 22, 1981

Richard Schmidt  
(Signature)

Title Senior Engineer

CITY OF SACRAMENTO  
INITIAL STUDY  
ENVIRONMENTAL CHECKLIST FORM

C.C. No. 1067

Date: 5/22/81

I. BACKGROUND

1. Name of Project Robla Drainage Project 12-3, Area VII
2. City Department Initiating Project Engineering Dept.
3. Name of Individual Preparing Checklist Rich Schmiedt
4. Is Checklist Being Prepared for CEQA X or NEPA    ?
5. Source of Funding of Project Drainage Bond

II. ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS

(Explanations of all "yes" and "maybe" answers are required under Item III.)

	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Maybe</u>	<u>No</u>
1. <u>Earth.</u> Will the proposal result in:			
a. Unstable earth conditions or in changes in geologic substructures?	—	—	<u>X</u>
b. Disruptions, displacements, compaction or overcovering of the soil?	<u>X</u>	—	—
c. Change in topography or ground surface relief features?	<u>X</u>	—	—
d. The destruction, covering or modification of any unique geologic or physical features?	—	—	<u>X</u>
e. Any increase in wind or water erosion of soils, either on or off the site?	—	—	<u>X</u>
f. Changes in deposition or erosion of beach sands, or changes in siltation, deposition or erosion which may modify the channel of a river or stream or the bed of the ocean or any bay, inlet or lake?	—	—	<u>X</u>
g. Exposure of people or property to geologic hazards such as earthquakes, landslides, mudslides, ground failure, or similar hazards?	—	—	<u>X</u>
2. <u>Air.</u> Will the proposal result in:			
a. Substantial air emissions or deterioration of ambient air quality?	—	—	<u>X</u>
b. The creation of objectionable odors?	—	—	<u>X</u>
c. Alteration of air movement, moisture or temperature, or any change in climate, either locally or regionally?	—	—	<u>X</u>
3. <u>Water.</u> Will the proposal result in:			
a. Changes in currents, or the course or direction of water movements, in either marine or fresh waters?	—	—	<u>X</u>
b. Changes in absorption rates, drainage patterns, or the rate and amount of surface water runoff?	<u>X</u>	—	—
c. Alterations to the course or flow of flood waters?	—	—	<u>X</u>
d. Change in the amount of surface water in any water body?	—	—	<u>X</u>
e. Discharge into surface waters, or in any alteration of surface water quality, including but not limited to temperature, dissolved oxygen or turbidity?	—	—	<u>X</u>
f. Alteration of the direction or rate of flow of ground waters.	—	—	<u>X</u>
g. Change in the quantity of ground waters, either through direct additions or withdrawals, or through interception of an aquifer by cuts or excavations?	—	—	<u>X</u>
h. Substantial reduction in the amount of water otherwise available for public water supplies?	—	—	<u>X</u>

	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Maybe</u>	<u>No</u>
i. Exposure of people or property to water related hazards such as flooding or tidal wave?	—	—	<u>X</u>
4. <u>Plant Life</u> . Will the proposal result in:			
a. Change in the diversity of species, or number of any species of plants (including trees, shrubs, grass, crops, microflora and aquatic plants)?	<u>X</u>	—	—
b. Reduction of the numbers of any unique, rare or endangered species of plants?	—	—	<u>X</u>
c. Introduction of new species of plants into an area, or in a barrier to the normal replenishment of existing species?	—	—	<u>X</u>
d. Reduction in acreage of any agricultural crop?	—	—	<u>X</u>
5. <u>Animal Life</u> . Will the proposal result in:			
a. Change in the diversity of species, or numbers of any species of animals (birds, land animals including reptiles, fish and shellfish, benthic organisms, insects or microfauna)?	—	—	<u>X</u>
b. Reduction of the numbers of any unique, rare or endangered species of animals?	—	—	<u>X</u>
c. Introduction of new species of animals into an area, or result in a barrier to the migration or movement of animals?	—	—	<u>X</u>
d. Deterioration to existing fish or wildlife habitat?	—	—	<u>X</u>
6. <u>Noise</u> . Will the proposal result in:			
a. Increase in existing noise levels?	<u>X</u>	—	—
b. Exposure of people to severe noise levels?	—	—	<u>X</u>
7. <u>Light and Glare</u> . Will the proposal produce new light or glare?	—	—	<u>X</u>
8. <u>Land Use</u> . Will the proposal result in a substantial alteration of the present or planned use of an area?	<u>X</u>	—	—
9. <u>Natural Resources</u> . Will the proposal result in:			
a. Increase in the rate of use of any natural resources?	—	—	<u>X</u>
b. Substantial depletion of any nonrenewable natural resource?	—	—	<u>X</u>
10. <u>Risk of Upset</u> . Does the proposal involve a risk of an explosion or the release of hazardous substances (including, but not limited to, oil, pesticides, chemicals or radiation) in the event of an accident or upset conditions?	—	—	<u>X</u>
11. <u>Population</u> . Will the proposal alter the location, distribution, density, or growth rate of the human population of an area?	<u>X</u>	—	—
12. <u>Housing</u> . Will the proposal affect existing housing, or create a demand for additional housing?	<u>X</u>	—	—
13. <u>Transportation/Circulation</u> . Will the proposal result in:			
a. Generation of substantial additional vehicular movement?	—	—	<u>X</u>
b. Effects on existing parking facilities, or demand for new parking?	—	—	<u>X</u>
c. Substantial impact upon existing transportation systems?	—	—	<u>X</u>
d. Alterations to present patterns of circulation or movement of people and/or goods?	—	—	<u>X</u>
e. Alterations to waterborne, rail or air traffic?	—	—	<u>X</u>
f. Increase in traffic hazards to motor vehicles, bicyclists or pedestrians?	—	—	<u>X</u>
14. <u>Public Services</u> . Will the proposal have an effect upon, or result in a need for new or altered governmental services in any of the following areas:			
a. Fire protection?	—	—	<u>X</u>
b. Police protection?	—	—	<u>X</u>



	Yes	Maybe	No
d. Parks or other recreational facilities?	—	—	X
e. Maintenance of public facilities, including roads?	X	—	—
f. Other governmental services?	—	—	X
15. <u>Energy</u> . Will the proposal result in:			
a. Use of substantial amounts of fuel or energy?	—	—	X
b. Substantial increase in demand upon existing sources of energy, or require the development of new sources of energy?	—	—	X
16. <u>Utilities</u> . Will the proposal result in a need for new systems, or substantial alterations to the following utilities:			
a. Power or natural gas?	X	—	—
b. Communications systems?	—	—	X
c. Water?	—	—	X
d. Sewer or septic tanks?	—	—	X
e. Storm water drainage?	X	—	—
f. Solid waste and disposal?	—	—	X
17. <u>Human Health</u> . Will the proposal result in:			
a. Creation of any health hazard or potential health hazard (excluding mental health)?	—	—	X
b. Exposure of people to potential health hazards?	—	—	X
18. <u>Aesthetics</u> . Will the proposal result in the obstruction of any scenic vista or view open to the public, or will the proposal result in the creation of an aesthetically offensive site open to public view?	—	—	X
19. <u>Recreation</u> . Will the proposal result in an impact upon the quality or quantity of existing recreational opportunities?	—	—	X
20. <u>Archeological/Historical</u> . Will the proposal result in an alteration of a significant archeological or historical site, structure, object or building?	—	—	X
21. <u>Mandatory Findings of Significance</u> .			
a. Does the project have the potential to degrade the quality of the environment, substantially reduce the habitat of a fish or wildlife species, cause a fish or wildlife population to drop below self sustaining levels, threaten to eliminate a plant or animal community, reduce the number or restrict the range of a rare or endangered plant or animal or eliminate important examples of the major periods of California history or prehistory?	—	—	X
b. Does the project have the potential to achieve short-term, to the disadvantage of long-term, environmental goals? (A short-term impact on the environment is one which occurs in a relatively brief, definitive period of time while long-term impacts will endure well into the future.)	—	—	X
c. Does the project have impacts which are individually limited, but cumulatively considerable? (A project may impact on two or more separate resources where the impact on each resource is relatively small, but where the effect of the total of those impacts on the environment is significant.)	—	—	X
d. Does the project have environmental effects which will cause substantial adverse effects on human beings, either directly or indirectly?	—	—	X

III. DISCUSSION OF ENVIRONMENTAL EVALUATION (any "yes" or "maybe" answers must be explained - attached additional sheets if necessary)

1. Earth

(b) A service road to the proposed drainage lift station will be constructed of AC pavement and aggregate base material. This road is necessary to insure year round access to the proposed lift station.

(c) The existing topography will not be greatly altered as a result of this project. The construction will require open excavations for the truck drainage lines and drainage lift station. Upon completion of the work, the excavations will be backfilled. Most of the trenching for the drainage pipe will occur in existing or proposed street right-of-way. This project is merely preparatory to enable further development of the area. The project will allow the vacant land to develop and the existing developed areas to install curb, gutter and sidewalk by assessment district. These assessment districts should be coordinated with the Regional Sanitation District to provide sanitary sewer into the area from the Dry Creek interceptor scheduled for construction during 1981.

3. Water

This project in itself will not result in any significant changes in absorption rates, drainage patterns, or the rate and amount of surface runoff. However, this project is the first step in allowing this area to become a fully urbanized area. Future development will be controlled by the community plan and will require environmental evaluation for individual projects.

4. Plant Life

(a) Some removal of natural grasses will occur as a result of this project. Again, this project only paves the way for future development.

6. Noise

(a) Construction operations will create a certain amount of noise within the limits of this project. The noise resulting from construction activities, although temporary, may have an adverse effect on the neighborhood.

8. Land Use

The construction of this project provides basic storm drainage facilities that will enable further urban development of the area. The major impact of this project on land use is associated with the future development, rather than this proposed project. Future development will be controlled by the community plan and will require environmental evaluation for individual projects.

11. Population

This project will only provide one of the ingredients for population growth. Population growth will be the result of future projects.

III. DISCUSSION OF ENVIRONMENTAL EVALUATION (any "yes" or "maybe" answers must be explained - attached additional sheets if necessary)

12. Housing

This project will provide only basic drainage to the area. This will create a positive atmosphere for additional housing. The extension of sanitary sewer into the area will also be necessary for real growth in the area.

14. Public Services

(a) This project itself will not result in any special need for new governmental service. Maintenance of the proposed drainage lift station will be of a minor nature. Again, the real need for public services will be required with future developments.

16. Utilities

(a&e) This project will only provide a basic drainage system consisting of a drainage lift station and trunk drainage lines and will not result in any significant increase in demand for public services.

IV. Mitigation measures proposed to minimize environmental impacts for the project as identified above. (Explain in detail - if none, so state)

Rigid construction controls will be incorporated into the specifications and maintained during construction to minimize dust and noise pollution, enhance public safety and protect existing property and improvements.

- V. Alternatives to the project which would produce less of an adverse impact on the environment (lower density, less intense land use, move building on site, no project, et cetera)

The only alternative to the project is "no project". If no project is constructed, the area will remain basically "as is". It will not be possible for the area to develop without the basic drainage facilities.

VI. DETERMINATION

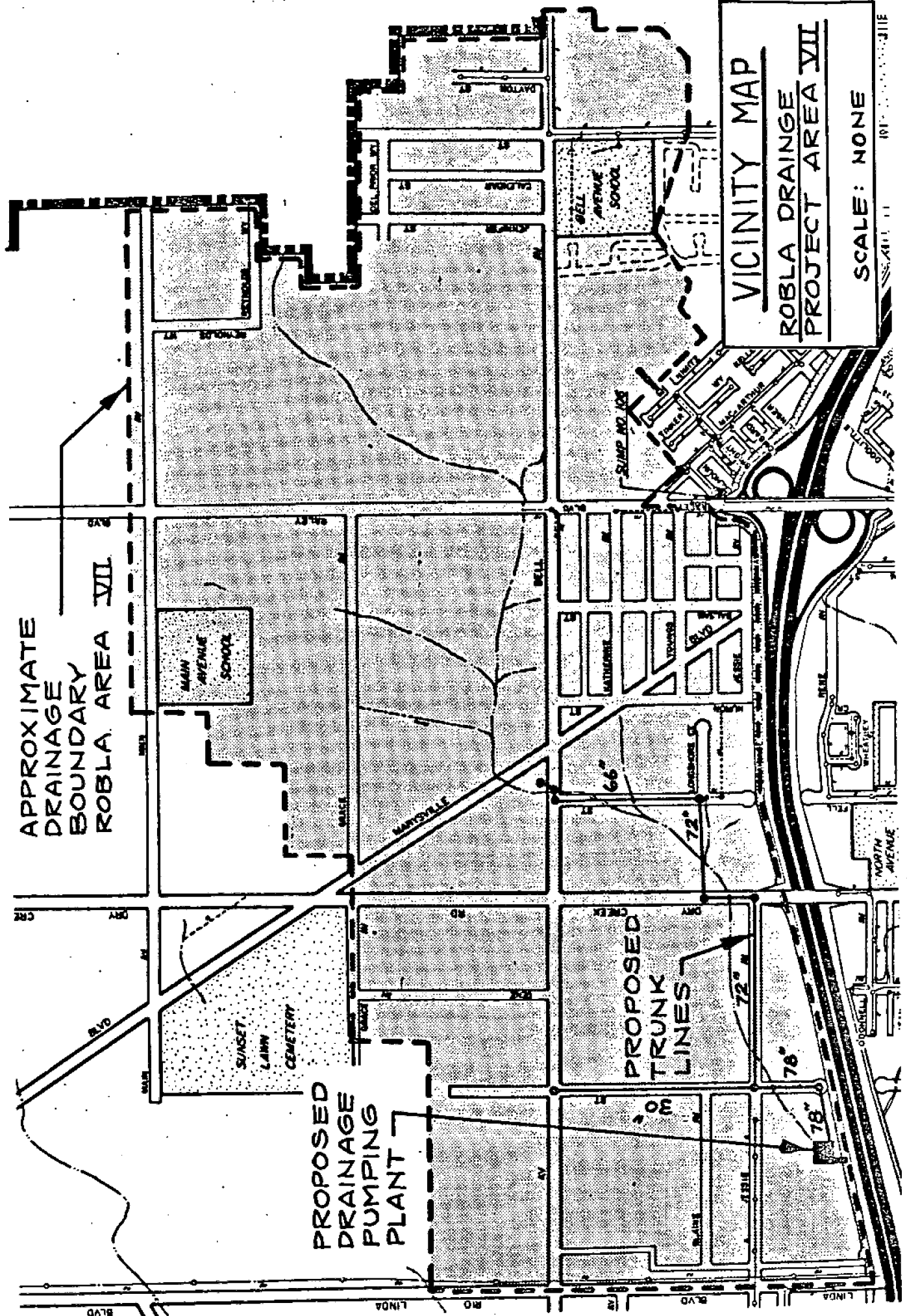
On the basis of this initial study:

- I find the proposed project COULD NOT have a significant effect on the environment, and a NEGATIVE DECLARATION will be prepared.
- I find that although the proposed project could have a significant effect on the environment, there will not be a significant effect in this case because the mitigation measures described in IV above have been added to the project or the possibility of a significant effect on the environment is so remote as to be insignificant.
- I find the proposed project MAY have a significant effect on the environment, and an ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT IS REQUIRED.

Date May 22, 1981

Richard Schmidt  
(Signature)

Title Senior Engineer



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