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Re: Amendment to the Project Description, Vegetated Swale
San Francisco Electric Reliability Project (04-AFC-1)

BDD
Dear Mr. Pfanner:

I am writing on behalf of my client, the City and County of San Francisco (the City) to advise you on an amendment to the Project Description in Supplement A. In Supplement A, the City proposed to handle stormwater as follows:

“After completion of construction, the proposed SFERP would result in 100 percent impervious surfaces, and stormwater would flow to the City’s combined sewer system on Illinois Street. Assuming an annual average rainfall of about 21 inches and a 4.0-acre site, the annual average estimated stormwater contribution to the City’s combined sewer system is approximately 2.2 million gallons per year (MGY) using the Rational Method and a runoff coefficient of 0.95. This volume of stormwater is considered negligible. The overall average yearly stormwater runoff is about 7,000 MGY on the east side of the City, where average annual dry weather flows are about 24,800 MGY. The SFERP would not result in a change in stormwater contribution from the site to the combined sewer system as compared with the existing conditions.”

I am advised by my client that in subsequent discussions with the Port of San Francisco, it was determined that new Port of San Francisco stormwater best management practices (BMPs) would apply. According to the BMPs, the plant’s stormwater would have to be discharged into the bay through the use of vegetated swales. Stormwater from the site would sheet flow easterly to a vegetated swale that would flow northward into the bay. This information was first related to staff in Informal Data Response Set 6C. By this letter, the City is formally amending the portion of the project description describing how stormwater would be handled. To facilitate Staff’s review of this approach, the City is providing the following documents:

- A written description of the swale design
- Figures showing the swale’s location
- Drainage calculations
- Letter from Port of San Francisco stating that swale design meets their permit requirements

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The City appreciates staff's efforts to consider this change in the project description when performing their analysis and preparing their Final Staff Assessment. Please let me know if there is any additional information your staff needs to perform its analysis.

Very truly yours,

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Description of the Vegetated Swale

Post-construction treatment of stormwater will be accomplished by directing sheet flow from both the power plant site and 25th Street in front of the power plant into a Best Management Practices (BMP) stormwater treatment feature – a dry, vegetated swale. This method of stormwater collection and transport properly treats the stormwater prior to its discharge into the bay. Both the plant site and the street are impervious surfaces so the runoff coefficient for collection is conservatively assumed to be 0.99. The area between the plant site and the swale (as well as the area between the street and the swale) will be surfaced with vegetation similar to the grass in the swale. A membrane will be installed under the surface to ensure that no storm water percolates into the subsurface but rather is transported to the swale. From the swale, the water will then be transported to the Bay Conservation and Development Commission (BCDC) boundary where it will flow, after treatment, into the Bay via an outfall that spans the BCDC zone (see Figures C1.2 and C1.3).

The stormwater swale will be designed to treat what is commonly referred to as the “Water Quality” storm - a less intense, more frequent storm that over time produces more total runoff than larger storms. The water quality runoff is computed from a rainfall event equal to at least two times the 85th percentile hourly rainfall intensity, which is equivalent to a rainfall intensity of 0.2 inches per hour. In addition, the swale has been designed with enough additional capacity to carry runoff from the 100-year frequency, 15-minute duration storm, more commonly associated with flood events. This methodology is outlined within the California Stormwater Quality Association “Stormwater Best Management Practice Handbook.

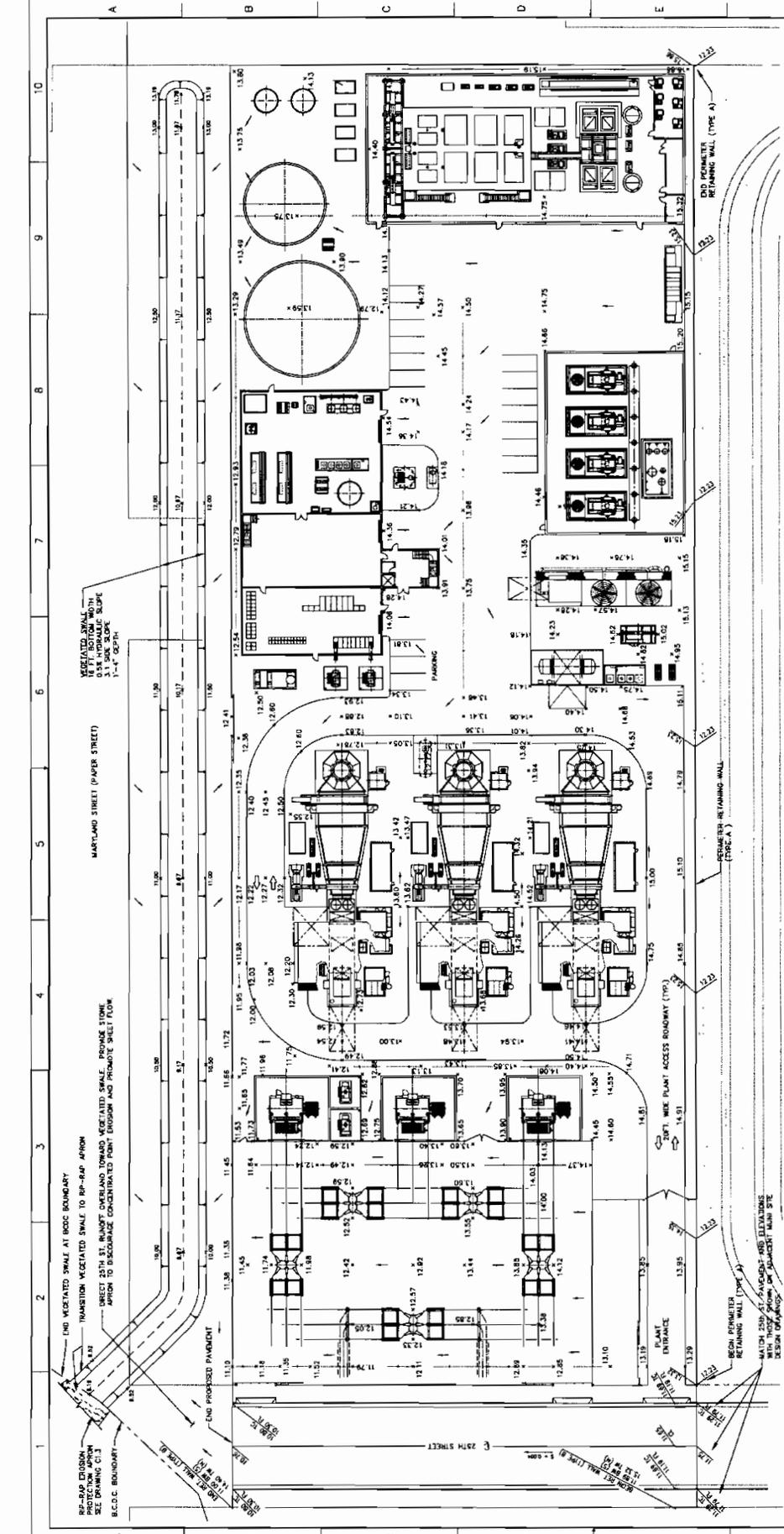
To transport the stormwater across the BCDC property, a rip rap apron outfall was selected as a suitable transport means. In considering the design of the outfall it is noted that the swale itself is running at such a shallow pitch (0.5%), that the flow velocity anticipated in the swale (even for the 100-year storm event), is very low (0.39 ft/sec). Therefore, the riprap pad at the outlet point of the swale need not be significant. A riprap apron will be installed at approximately twice the width of the swale bottom width (say, 30 feet) with a median stone size of 3 inches. The apron should be composed of a well-graded mixture of stone sizes so that 50 percent of the pieces, by weight, are larger than the median size of 3 inches, but with a sufficient mixture of other stone sizes to fill the smaller voids between the stones. The riprap apron will be installed in a trapezoidal or fan shape, widening towards and meeting the more significant shoreline armoring, and then subsequently down the slope to the Bay.

Riprap

Riprap is a layer of loose rock or aggregate placed over an erodible surface to protect the soil surface from the erosive forces of water. Riprap is placed at soil-water interfaces where soil conditions, water turbulence and velocity may cause erosion at design flow conditions.

Drainage Calculations

Two sets of drainage calculations (dated 8-17-05 and 10-19-05) are attached. These calculations demonstrate that the vegetated swale has been sized both to treat the water quality and carry the post-construction 100-year peak runoff.



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1	ISSUED FOR PERMIT	10/20/11
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3	FOR PRELIMINARY REVIEW	10/20/11
4	FOR PRELIMINARY REVIEW	10/20/11
5	FOR PRELIMINARY REVIEW	10/20/11

PB PB Power		A Professional Engineering Corporation	
1000 MARKET STREET, SUITE 100, SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA 94102			
SAN FRANCISCO ELECTRIC RELIABILITY PRODUCT		GRADING AND URNAGE PLAN	
MUNI SITE		C1.2	
DATE	PROJECT NO.	SCALE	SHEET NO.
10/20/11	10



- NOTES:**
- GRASS HEIGHT IN SWALE TO BE 8 INCHES. WATER QUALITY FLOW DEPTH TO BE 4 INCHES.
 - DECOMPOSED GRANITE TO BE 18 INCHES. WATER QUALITY FLOW DEPTH TO BE 4 INCHES.
 - MINIMUM SLOPE TO BE 3 TO 1.
 - MINIMUM SWALE LENGTH TO BE 100 LINEAR FEET.
 - NO INFILTRATION INTO SUBSURFACE SOILS IS PRECLUDED. FLEXIBLE WATERPROOF GEOMEMBRANE TO BE INSTALLED 3 TO 3 1/2 FEET BELOW THE VEGETATED SWALE.
 - SURFACE MATERIALS IS PRECLUDED SUITABLE TO SUSAN REDWOOD VEGETATION, BUT MAY REQUIRE SURFACE MATERIALS TO SUSTAIN SWALE GRASSES. VEGETATION TO COVER SWALE BOTTOM AND SIDES.
 - THIS TREATMENT BAP IS SIZED USING THE FLOW-BASED BMP DESIGN STANDARDS AS OUTLINED IN THE CALIFORNIA STORMWATER BMP HANDBOOK.
 - THE INTENSITY OF THE RAINFALL REQUIRING WATER QUALITY TREATMENT IS 0.2 INCHES PER HOUR.
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LEGEND

- *13.71 PROPOSED ELEVATION
- FLOW ARROW
- EXISTING MANHOLE
- EXISTING AREA SHAHM
- EXISTING CATCH BASIN
- LINEAR FEET
- FINISHED GROUND
- INVERT
- SWALE
- EXISTING ELEVATIONS

GRAPHIC SCALE
1" = 20'-0"

PLANT PLAN
SCALE: 1/8" = 1'-0"

- NOTES:**
- CONTRACTOR SHALL COORDINATE ALL CIVIL, ELECTRICAL AND MECHANICAL WORK BEFORE COMMENCING WITH WORK.
 - EXISTING ELEVATIONS AND FINISHED ELEVATIONS TO BE SHOWN ON ALL CONSTRUCTION PLANS.
 - ALL PROPOSED ELEVATIONS SHOW ARE FINISHED SURFACE ELEVATIONS.
 - THE SWALE SHALL BE GRADED TO MATCH WITH ADJACENT LOT AND SURROUNDING PROPERTY UNLESS OTHERWISE APPROVED BY THE OWNER.
 - SURFACE ELEVATIONS SHOW ARE FINISHED GRADE ELEVATIONS. MATCH MEANS TO BE TO FINISHED GRADE.
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 - EXISTING BACKGROUND ELEVATIONS SHOW ARE BASED ON NAVD-1988 DATUM.
 - ALL CORNER OR LINES WILL BE PERMANENTLY LOCATED, DRAINED INTO AN ADJACENT STREET OR DRAINAGE SYSTEM.
 - ROAD CONSTRUCTION LAYDOWN AREA TO SUBJECT STREETS SHALL BE MAINTAINED FROM THE PROPOSED VEGETATED SWALE.
 - VEGETATE AREA WEST OF PLANT SITE BETWEEN PLANT AND SWALE.

Introduction

The San Francisco Electric Reliability Project (at the MUNI Site) is a simple cycle, natural gas fired, combustion turbine generator (CTG) power plant using three GE LM6000PC Spring CTG units. The MUNI site is located on a brownfield site on the eastern project line of the MUNI Metro East Maintenance and Operation Facility (under construction).

Grading and Drainage

The plant site is located in an area that is currently unoccupied and generally of flat topography, sloping towards the San Francisco Bay. It is not anticipated that off-site areas contribute significantly to runoff at the site.

The general site grading will establish a working surface for construction and plant operating areas, provide positive drainage from buildings and structures, and provide adequate ground coverage for subsurface utilities.

Onsite drainage will be accomplished through gravity flow. The surface grading will direct stormwater runoff to the proposed vegetated swale collection system via overland flow at a minimum of 0.5%.

Stormwater Runoff Regulation

Stormwater discharges from the site are regulated by the RWQCB. Most of the stormwater runoff generated within the City and County of San Francisco is collected in a combined sewer system and conveyed to the Southeast and Oceanside water pollution control plants. However, a substantial portion of the Port of San Francisco, including the project site, is not serviced by the combined system. Stormwater discharges from these areas, not serviced by the combined system, are subject to regulation under the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) program.

The Port's SWMP includes guidance to be used when considering new development within the Port. The requirement most relevant to evaluation of the feasibility of the proposed project site design concerns sizing and design of the pollutant treatment system. The following is an excerpt from the SWMP (as taken from the California Stormwater BMP Handbook):

***Numeric Sizing Criteria for Pollutant Removal Treatment Systems.** The provisions provide specific design criteria for treatment BMPs. The project area threshold for the design criteria is defined as 5,000 square feet of new or redevelopment. The permits require treatment BMPs to be sized using... flow hydraulic design criteria for the design of treatment BMPs whose primary mode of action depends of flow capacity, such as swales, sand filters or wetlands. These types of BMPs are required to be sized to treat: 10% of*

the 50-year peak flow rate; or the flow of runoff produced by a rain event equal to at least two times the 85th percentile hourly rainfall intensity for the applicable area, or the runoff resulting from a rain event equal to at least 0.2 inches per hour.

As specified, the intensity of rainfall that requires treatment is 0.2 inches per hour. It is estimated that treating this rate of rainfall with flow-based BMPs would result in treatment of, on average, 85 percent of the total average annual rainfall.

The following steps describe the approach for application of the flow-based BMP design criteria:

1. Identify the “BMP Drainage Area” that drains to the proposed BMP. This includes all areas that will contribute runoff to the proposed BMP.
2. Determine rainfall intensity criteria to apply and the corresponding design rainfall intensity.
 - a. *Uniform Intensity Approach:* The “Design Rainfall Intensity” is the intensity specified in the criteria – 0.2 inches/hour.
3. Calculate the composite runoff coefficient “C” for the “BMP Drainage Area” identified in Step 1.
4. Apply the Rational Formula to calculate the “BMP Design Flow”
 - a. *Uniform Intensity Approach:* Using the “BMP Drainage Area” from Step 1, the “Design Rainfall Intensity” from Step 2a, and “C” from Step 3, apply the Rational Formula. The result is the “BMP Design Flow.”

This method used the Rational Method equation:

$$Q = CIA$$

Where:

Q is the design flow in cubic feet per second (cfs),
C is the drainage area runoff coefficient,
I is the design intensity (in/hr), and
A is the drainage area for the BMP (acres)

Step 1. Determine the drainage area for the BMP, A = 5.23 acres

Step 2. Determine the runoff coefficient, C = 0.90

Step 3. Use a design intensity of **0.2 in/hr** for “I” in the Q = CIA equation

$$I = \underline{0.2 \text{ in/hour}}$$

Step 4. Determine the design flow (Q) using $Q = CIA$

$$Q = C \cdot I \cdot A$$

$$Q = (\text{Step 2}) * (0.2 \text{ in/hr}) * (\text{Step 1})$$

$$Q = \underline{0.94 \text{ cfs}}$$

Design Flow, $Q = \underline{0.94 \text{ cfs}}$

Therefore, the vegetated swale must be sized to accommodate the design flow.

Vegetated Swale Treatment Method

As detailed in the California Stormwater BMP Handbook, vegetated swales are open, shallow channels with vegetation covering the sides slopes and bottom that collect and slowly convey runoff flow to downstream discharge points. They are designed to treat runoff through filtering by the vegetation in the channel, filtering through a subsoil matrix, and/or infiltration into the underlying soils.

Design and Sizing Guidelines

- Flow rate based design sized so that 85% of the annual runoff volume is discharged at less than the design rainfall intensity
- Swale should be designed so that the water level does not exceed $\frac{2}{3}$ the height of the grass or 4 inches, whichever is less, at the design treatment rate.
- Longitudinal slopes should not exceed 2.5%.
- The side slopes should be no steeper than 3:1 (H:V).
- Trapezoidal channels are normally recommended.
- The width of the swale should be determined using Manning's Equation using a value of 0.25 for Manning's n.
- The swale should have a length that provides a minimum hydraulic residence time of at least 10 minutes.

Attached please find a spreadsheet detailing the swale design calculations.

Stormwater Drainage Design
San Francisco Electric Reliability Project
MUNI Site

Assumptions

- Design grass height of 6 inches and a water quality flow depth of 4 inches, California Stormwater BMP Handbook, New Development and Redevelopment
- Manning's roughness coefficient of 0.25, California Stormwater BMP Handbook, New Development and Redevelopment
- Swale side slopes maximum steepness of 3:1, California Stormwater BMP Handbook, New Development and Redevelopment
- Minimum hydraulic residence time of 10 minutes, California Stormwater BMP Handbook, New Development and Redevelopment

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Flow Rate Calculation			
Area ID	Area	C	A*C
Plant Area (approx.)	227,960	0.9	4.71
	Sum A*C		4.7
	Area volumetric flow rate		0.94 cfs
	Upstream flow		0.00 cfs
	Total volumetric flow rate		0.94 cfs
Swale Design Calculations			
	Variables	Design Flow Rate	0.94 cfs
	<i>i</i> 0.2		
	<i>n</i> 0.25	Flow Depth	0.33 ft
	R 0.35	Manning's Equation	1.20 cfs
	S 0.5%		
	A 5.8	Flow Velocity	0.16 ft/s
	Z 4	Min. Length	98 ft
	b 16		
	DT 10		

C = runoff coefficient
i = rainfall intensity (inches per hour)
n = Manning's Roughness Coefficient
 R = hydraulic radius
 S = hydraulic slope of swale
 A = swale cross-section area (square feet)
 z = swale side slope ratio (x:1)
 b = width of bottom of swale (feet)
 Q = volumetric flow rate (cubic feet per second)
 DT = detention time (minutes)
 cfs = cubic feet per second
 ft/s = feet per second

$$A = (b+z*y)*y$$

$$R = A/(b+2*(y^2+y^2*z^2)^{0.5})$$

$$Q = 1.49/n(A*R^2/3*S^{1/2})$$

Vegetated Swale 100-year, 1-hour Storm Capacity Calculations

Calculations have been requested to illustrate that the vegetated swale has been sized to not only treat the water quality storm but to carry the post-construction 100-year peak runoff from the SFERP site. The following steps were taken to do so:

1. Identify the “Drainage Area” that drains to the proposed swale. This includes all areas that will contribute runoff.
2. Determine rainfall intensity criteria to apply and the corresponding design rainfall intensity.
 - a. The rainfall intensity duration used for this calculation are based on the rainfall information collected by the Department of Water Resources rain gauge at the San Francisco International Airport. An empirical equation has been developed based on rainfall data collected over an almost fifty-year period. The equation is:

$$I = A * D^B$$

Where:

A is a constant based on the rainfall frequency

For 10 year frequency A = 0.88

For 25 year frequency A = 1.04

For 100 year frequency A = 1.28

D is the rainfall duration in hours

B is the site specific constant (-0.484)

I is the intensity for the designed rainfall frequency/duration (in/hr)

A table of this IDF curve is attached, which indicates that for a 100-year frequency and 15-minute duration (assuming that the peak producing period of the storm has a duration equal to an estimated time of concentration of fifteen minutes) the Intensity “I” = 2.504.

3. Calculate the composite runoff coefficient “C” for the “Drainage Area” identified in Step 1.
4. Apply the Rational Formula to calculate the Design Flow
 - a. Using the “Drainage Area” from Step 1, the “Rainfall Intensity” from Step 2a, and “C” from Step 3, apply the Rational Formula. The result is the “Design Flow.”

This method used the Rational Method equation:

$$Q = CIA$$

Where:

Q is the design flow in cubic feet per second (cfs),
C is the drainage area runoff coefficient,
I is the design intensity (in/hr), and
A is the drainage area to the swale (acres)

Step 1. Determine the drainage area for the BMP, $A = \underline{5.23}$ acres

Step 2. Determine the runoff coefficient, $C = \underline{0.99}$

The Manning's coefficient has been increased to 0.99 to reflect total imperviousness at the site.

Step 3. Use a design intensity of **2.50 in/hr** for "I" in the $Q = CIA$ equation

$$I = \underline{2.50 \text{ in/hour}}$$

Step 4. Determine the design flow (Q) using $Q = CIA$

$$Q = C * I * A$$

$$Q = (\text{Step 2}) * (2.50 \text{ in/hr}) * (\text{Step 1})$$

$$Q = \underline{12.97 \text{ cfs}}$$

Design Flow, $Q = \underline{12.97 \text{ cfs}}$

Therefore, the vegetated swale must be sized to not only treat the water quality storm but to carry this post-construction 100-year peak runoff.

Attached please find a spreadsheet detailing that the swale will carry in excess of the 100-year peak runoff at a depth of 1.30 feet. This is in excess of the estimated swale depth of 1.00 feet. Therefore, the swale must be deeper to carry this increased rate-of-runoff

Stormwater Drainage Design
 San Francisco Electric Reliability Project
 MUNI Site

Flow Rate Calculation			
Power Plant, Swale and 25th Street.	Area 227,819 sf = 5.23 Ac.	C 0.99	A*C 5.18
		Sum A*C	5.18
	Area volumetric flow rate		12.96 cfs (A*C*rainfall intensity "i")
	Upstream flow		0.00 cfs
	Total volumetric flow rate		12.96 cfs
Swale Design Calculations			
	Variables	Design Flow Rate	12.96 cfs
	i	2.50	
	n	0.25	Flow Depth 1.30 ft
	R	1.39	Manning's Equation 13.58 cfs
	S	0.5%	
	A	25.9	Flow Velocity 0.50 ft/s
	Z	3	Min. Length 301 ft
	b	16	
	DT	10	

C = runoff coefficient
 i = rainfall intensity (inches per hour)
 n = Manning's Roughness Coefficient
 R = hydraulic radius
 S = hydraulic slope of swale
 A = swale cross-section area (square feet)
 z = swale side slope ratio (x:1)
 b = width of bottom of swale (feet)
 Q = volumetric flow rate (cubic feet per second)
 DT = detention time (minutes)
 cfs = cubic feet per second
 ft/s = feet per second

$$A = (b+z*y)*y$$

$$R = A/(b+2*(y^2+y^2*z^2)^{0.5})$$

$$Q = 1.49/n(A*R^{2/3}*S^{1/2})$$

INTENSITY DURATION FREQUENCY
California Department of Water Resources IDF Data Base
SF Airport Station

DURATION	INTENSITY (IN / HR)				INTENSITY (MM / HR)			
	10YR	25YR	50YR	100YR	10YR	25YR	50YR	100YR
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
5	2.930	3.462	3.862	4.261	74.412	87.941	98.088	108.235
6	2.682	3.170	3.538	3.901	68.127	80.513	89.803	99.093
7	2.489	2.942	3.281	3.621	63.229	74.725	83.347	91.969
8	2.334	2.758	3.076	3.394	59.272	70.048	78.131	86.213
9	2.204	2.605	2.908	3.206	55.987	66.167	73.801	81.436
10	2.095	2.475	2.761	3.047	53.204	62.877	70.132	77.387
11	2.000	2.364	2.637	2.909	50.805	60.042	66.970	73.898
12	1.918	2.268	2.528	2.789	48.710	57.566	64.209	70.851
13	1.845	2.180	2.432	2.683	46.859	55.379	61.769	68.159
14	1.780	2.103	2.346	2.589	45.208	53.428	59.592	65.757
15	1.721	2.034	2.269	2.504	43.723	51.673	57.635	63.598
16	1.668	1.972	2.199	2.427	42.379	50.084	55.863	61.642
17	1.620	1.916	2.138	2.357	41.163	48.636	54.247	59.859
18	1.576	1.863	2.077	2.292	40.030	47.309	52.767	58.226
19	1.535	1.814	2.024	2.233	38.996	46.087	51.404	56.722
20	1.498	1.770	1.974	2.178	38.040	44.957	50.144	55.331
21	1.463	1.729	1.928	2.128	37.152	43.907	48.974	54.040
22	1.430	1.690	1.885	2.080	36.325	42.930	47.883	52.837
23	1.400	1.654	1.845	2.036	35.552	42.016	46.864	51.712
24	1.371	1.620	1.807	1.994	34.827	41.159	45.909	50.658
25	1.344	1.589	1.772	1.955	34.146	40.354	45.011	49.667
26	1.319	1.559	1.739	1.919	33.504	39.595	44.164	48.733
27	1.295	1.531	1.707	1.884	32.897	38.879	43.365	47.851
28	1.273	1.504	1.677	1.851	32.323	38.200	42.608	47.016
29	1.251	1.479	1.649	1.820	31.779	37.557	41.891	46.224
30	1.231	1.455	1.622	1.790	31.262	36.948	41.209	45.472
31	1.211	1.432	1.597	1.762	30.770	36.364	40.560	44.756
32	1.193	1.410	1.572	1.735	30.300	35.810	39.941	44.073
33	1.176	1.389	1.549	1.710	29.853	35.280	39.351	43.422
34	1.158	1.369	1.527	1.685	29.424	34.774	38.787	42.799
35	1.142	1.350	1.506	1.662	29.014	34.290	38.246	42.203
36	1.127	1.332	1.485	1.639	28.621	33.825	37.728	41.631
37	1.112	1.314	1.466	1.617	28.244	33.380	37.231	41.083
38	1.098	1.297	1.447	1.597	27.882	32.952	36.754	40.556
39	1.084	1.281	1.429	1.577	27.534	32.540	36.295	40.049
40	1.071	1.265	1.412	1.558	27.198	32.144	35.853	39.561
41	1.058	1.250	1.395	1.539	26.875	31.762	35.427	39.091
42	1.046	1.236	1.379	1.521	26.564	31.393	35.016	38.638
43	1.034	1.222	1.363	1.504	26.263	31.038	34.619	38.201
44	1.023	1.208	1.348	1.487	25.972	30.695	34.236	37.778
45	1.011	1.195	1.333	1.471	25.691	30.362	33.866	37.369
46	1.001	1.183	1.319	1.456	25.419	30.041	33.508	36.974
47	0.990	1.170	1.306	1.441	25.156	29.730	33.161	36.591
48	0.980	1.159	1.292	1.426	24.901	29.429	32.824	36.220
49	0.971	1.147	1.279	1.412	24.654	29.136	32.498	35.860
50	0.961	1.136	1.267	1.398	24.414	28.853	32.182	35.511
51	0.952	1.125	1.255	1.385	24.181	28.578	31.875	35.173
52	0.943	1.115	1.243	1.372	23.955	28.310	31.577	34.844
53	0.934	1.104	1.232	1.359	23.735	28.051	31.287	34.524
54	0.926	1.094	1.221	1.347	23.521	27.798	31.005	34.213
55	0.918	1.085	1.210	1.335	23.313	27.552	30.731	33.910
56	0.910	1.075	1.199	1.323	23.111	27.313	30.464	33.616



November 17, 2005

Ms. Karen Kubick, Manager
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San Francisco Public Utilities Commission
1155 Market Street, 4th Floor

**Subject: Storm Water Management – San Francisco Electrical Reliability Project
Port of San Francisco, Western Pacific Property**

Dear Karen,

Thank you for providing Port of San Francisco (Port) staff the opportunity to review design calculations prepared by the San Francisco Public Utilities Commission for storm water treatment swales to be installed in conjunction with construction of the San Francisco Electrical Reliability Project (SFERP) at the Port's Western Pacific property north of Pier 80. The proposed storm water treatment swales include the following design elements:

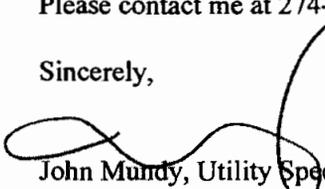
- sizing to convey and treat a 100-year storm of 1.28"/hour, which complies with and exceeds the 0.2"/hour treatment capacity required by the Program;
- depth to accommodate a 15-minute, 100-year storm, which will maintain adequate drainage in the project vicinity;
- a rip-rap swale conveying runoff flow from the treatment swale to the adjacent shoreline.

Project storm water design features also include containment areas for equipment that may leak oil. Runoff in containment areas will be routed to an oil-water separator and discharged to the San Francisco combined sewer system. Port and SFPUC staff met at the project site on November 7, 2005 with Keith Lichten of the Regional Water Quality Control Board, who approves with the treatment approach in concept. Port staff has reviewed your design calculations, and finds that storm water treatment and conveyance proposed for the SFERP complies with requirements of our Storm Water Program.

Based on discussions with your project staff it is our understanding that the proposed generation facility will employ gas turbines rather than steam, and as such will not be subject to the requirements of the California Statewide General Permit for Storm Water Discharges Associated with Industrial Facilities. Thus your facility's operational compliance would be addressed under various elements of the Port's Municipal NPDES permit, including the requirement for installation of storm water post-construction controls discussed above.

Please contact me at 274-0256 should you require further assistance with this matter.

Sincerely,


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