

13. PUBLIC SERVICES

<p>Would the project result in substantial adverse physical impacts associated with the provision of new or physically altered governmental facilities, need for new or physically altered governmental facilities, the construction of which could cause significant environmental impacts, in order to maintain acceptable service ratios, response times or other performance objectives for any of the public services:</p>	<p>Potentially Significant Impact</p>	<p>Less-Than-Significant With Mitigation Incorporated</p>	<p>Less-Than-Significant Impact</p>	<p>No Impact</p>
a. Fire protection?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
b. Police protection?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
c. Schools?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
d. Parks?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
e. Other public facilities?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Existing Conditions

Fire Protection. The proposed project spans across the jurisdictions of eight separate fire departments. Each department provides fire protection and emergency medical services for their respective cities. The San Mateo Fire Department includes six fire stations and has an average response time of approximately four minutes. The Burlingame Fire Department includes three fire stations and has an average response time of approximately five minutes.

The Millbrae Fire Department cooperates with the *Central San Mateo County Alarm Plan* on all requests for mutual aid. The department has two stations and an average response time of three to four minutes. The San Bruno Fire Department includes two fire stations. Its average response time is four minutes. The South San Francisco Fire Department consists of five fire stations with an average response time for an engine of 3 minutes and for an ambulance, 4.5 minutes. The Brisbane Fire Department has one fire station and an average response time of 3.5 minutes. The Daly City Fire Department has five fire stations that maintain an average response time of three minutes.

The San Francisco Fire Department provides fire protection and emergency medical services to San Francisco International Airport (SFO). The department's Airport Division consists of two fire stations within the airport property. In addition to suppressing fires, the Airport Division staff inspects airport terminals, cargo areas, support facilities, parking garages, and other structures. It has an average response time of approximately three minutes.

Police Protection. The San Mateo Police Department has 157 employees, including community police officers. The Burlingame Police Department employs 50 full-time Police plus support staff. The Millbrae Police Department has 58 employees and maintains a Reserve Police Officer Program. The San Bruno Police Department serves the city with a staff of 50 sworn officers, 19 civilian employees,

and seven reserve officers. The South San Francisco Police Department has 80 sworn officers and a total of 120 employees. The Brisbane Police Department services the city and provides mutual-aid services to surrounding cities. The Daly City Police Department employs 120 sworn and 49 non-sworn personnel.

The San Mateo County Sheriff's Office serves San Mateo County. With over 550 employees, the office provides patrol services to the unincorporated county plus Woodside, Portola Valley, and East Palo Alto. In addition, the Office of Emergency Services (OES) operates from within the office. The Sheriff's Office also supports local police departments on an as-needed basis. The OES serves 20 incorporated cities, as well as the unincorporated areas of San Mateo County. OES responders are part of the Hazardous Materials Response Team.

Schools. San Mateo Union High School District serves the cities of San Mateo, San Bruno, Burlingame, and Millbrae with eight high schools and one adult school. The San Mateo-Foster City School District consists of 16 elementary schools and four middle schools, serving the cities of San Mateo and Foster City. The Burlingame School District serves Burlingame with five elementary schools and one middle school.

The Millbrae Elementary School District, located in northern San Mateo County adjacent to SFO, serves Millbrae. The district has four elementary schools and one middle school. The Laguna Salida Elementary School District serves Pacifica and San Bruno. Most of the district's nine schools are located in Pacifica; however, one middle school lies within San Bruno. The San Bruno Park Elementary District serves San Bruno from its seven elementary schools and one middle school.

The South San Francisco Unified School District serves South San Francisco, the Serramonte area of Daly City, and a small portion of San Bruno. The district includes ten elementary schools, three middle school, two high schools, one adult school, and one continuation school. The Brisbane Elementary School District serves Brisbane and Daly City from its three schools.

Significance Criteria

The significance criteria for this project is based on Appendix G of the CEQA Guidelines. The project is considered to have a significant impact if it would result in substantial adverse physical impacts associated with the provision of new or physically altered governmental facilities, need for new or physically altered governmental facilities, the construction of which could cause significant environmental impacts, in order to maintain acceptable service ratios, response times or other performance objectives for any of the public services below:

- Fire protection;
- Police protection;
- Schools;
- Parks; or
- Other public facilities.

Explanation of Public Services Checklist

a. Fire Protection

No Impact

Under normal operating conditions, the proposed power line and proposed modifications to the existing substations would not introduce any new fire hazards that would require an increase in fire protection. Traffic and lane closures associated with construction could indirectly affect response times. A discussion of impacts on emergency response times is provided in Section B.15, Transportation and Traffic.

b. Police Protection

No Impact

Because there is no population growth anticipated as a result of the proposed project that would require increased police protection to accommodate increases in population or new facilities, the operation of the project would not impact police services.

c. Schools

No Impact

The proposed project would not result in a long-term increase in the local student population that would require additional school facilities. Also, construction of the proposed project is not anticipated to result in a significant construction force that would require an increase of school services. Therefore, the proposed project would have no impact on school services.

d. Parks

No Impact

The proposed project would not result in a direct increase in population or housing and would not close or restrict use of parks for a long duration. Therefore, the project would not tax existing parks nor necessitate the need for additional parks in the area.

e. Other Public Facilities

No Impact

The proposed project is not anticipated to cause an increase in the need for or construction of other public facilities because it would not involve any increase in the residential population or employment base that could demand additional public facilities. The proposed project would involve upgrading an existing electrical system with no change in the service population of local services.