1 **3.13 POPULATION AND HOUSING**

POPULATION AND HOUSING – Would the Project:	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant with Mitigation	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
a) Induce substantial population growth in an area, either directly (for example, by proposing new homes and businesses) or indirectly (for example, through extension of roads or other infrastructure)?	☐	☐	☐	☒
b) Displace substantial numbers of existing housing, necessitating the construction of replacement housing elsewhere?	☐	☐	☐	☒
c) Displace substantial numbers of people, necessitating the construction of replacement housing elsewhere?	☐	☐	☐	☒

2 **3.13.1 Environmental Setting**

3 The Project site is located along the southeast shore of the Suisun Bay in
4 unincorporated Contra Costa County. The nearest residential community is the
5 unincorporated town of Bay Point, approximately 1 mile from the Project site. The
6 Project will occur within the waters of the Suisun Bay.

7 **Population**

8 Contra Costa County is one of nine counties in the San Francisco Bay Area and covers
9 733 square miles. The County is the Bay Area's third most populous county, with 14.6
10 percent of the Bay Area's population in 2010 (ABAG 2012). Population estimates of
11 1,049,025 in 2010 represented an increase of more than 9.5 percent from the 2000
12 County population estimate of 948,816. ABAG estimates that the population of Contra
13 Costa County will continue to increase in the next two decades, with projections of an
14 estimated 1,157,000 people by 2020 and 1,255,300 people by 2030.

15 In 2010, Bay Point's population was estimated at 21,349 people, a decrease of less
16 than one percent from the 2000 population estimate of 21,534 people (ABAG 2012).

17 Within the Project site, the population is zero.

18 **Housing**

19 As of 2010, there were approximately 400,263 housing units in Contra Costa County, an
20 increase of 11.4 percent since 2000. Household size is about the same; it was
21 2.72 persons per household in 1990 and 2.77 persons in 2010. The housing vacancy
22 rate increased from 2.9 percent in 2000 to 6.2 percent in 2010 (ABAG 2012).

1 Bay Point is estimated to have 6,762 housing units in 2010, up approximately one
2 percent from 6,716 housing units in 2000 (ABAG 2012; U.S. Census Bureau 2003).

3 There are no residences within the Project site.

4 **3.13.2 Regulatory Setting**

5 **Federal and State**

6 No Federal or State laws relevant to this issue area are applicable to the Project.

7 **Local**

8 The Housing Element of the Contra Costa County General Plan includes goals and
9 policies to assist the County in meeting its defined housing needs. No housing goals or
10 policies are applicable to the Project site.

11 **3.13.3 Impact Analysis**

12 *a) Induce substantial population growth in an area, either directly (for example, by*
13 *proposing new homes and businesses) or indirectly (for example, through*
14 *extension of roads or other infrastructure)?*

15 **No Impact.** The Project is the removal of a former outfall/diffuser pipe and does not
16 involve the construction of any buildings or infrastructure. The Project would not result in
17 an increase in housing or population growth in the area. Therefore, no increase in
18 population growth, either directly or indirectly, would result from the Project.

19 *b) Displace substantial numbers of existing housing, necessitating the*
20 *construction of replacement housing elsewhere?*

21 **No Impact.** The Project would not involve the removal of existing structures or housing
22 units. Therefore, the Project would not displace existing housing units.

23 *c) Displace substantial numbers of people, necessitating the construction of*
24 *replacement housing elsewhere?*

25 **No Impact.** The Project would not involve the removal of existing structures or housing
26 units. Therefore, the Project would not result in the displacement of existing people.

27 **3.13.4 Mitigation Summary**

28 The Project would not result in significant impacts to Population and Housing resources;
29 therefore, no mitigation is required.