

1 **3.15 RECREATION**

RECREATION	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant with Mitigation	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
a) Would the project increase the use of existing neighborhood and regional parks or other recreational facilities such that substantial physical deterioration of the facility would occur or be accelerated?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
b) Does the project include recreational facilities or require the construction or expansion of recreational facilities which might have an adverse physical effect on the environment?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

2 **3.15.1 Environmental Setting**

3 The Project site is located along the northeast shore of Suisun Bay in Bay Point, Contra
 4 Costa County. The Suisun Bay is used for industrial transport access, as well as
 5 recreational uses including bird watching, boating, and sailing. The Bay also supports
 6 sport fishing, commercial fishing, and shellfish harvesting.

7 To the south of the Project is ChemTrade – Bay Point Works. The facility occupies
 8 approximately 26 acres, and is an operating sulfuric acid plant. Access to the property is
 9 controlled at the gate. Honeywell property is adjacent to the property and is an
 10 additional industrial use. The federally-controlled Port Chicago Military Ocean Terminal
 11 (MOT) property is adjacent to the GWF pipe right-of-way.

12 **3.15.2 Regulatory Setting**

13 **Federal and State**

14 There are no Federal or State laws or regulations pertaining to this issue area.

15 **Local**

16 Contra Costa County Measure C, passed in 1990, established a 65/35 Land
 17 Preservation Standard to limit urban development to no more than 35 percent of the
 18 land in the county. At least 65 percent of all land in the County is required to be
 19 preserved for agriculture, open space, wetlands, parks and other non-urban uses. See
 20 the Land Use Element of the Contra Costa County General Plan 2005-2020 for more
 21 information.

1 **3.15.3 Impact Analysis**

2 ***a) Would the project increase the use of existing neighborhood and regional***
3 ***parks or other recreational facilities such that substantial physical deterioration***
4 ***of the facility would occur or be accelerated?***

5 **No Impact.** The Project is the removal of a non-operational outfall/diffuser pipe and
6 would not result in increased use or visitation to existing neighborhood or regional
7 recreational facilities. Therefore, no substantial physical deterioration of recreational
8 facilities would occur due to the Project.

9 ***b) Does the project include recreational facilities or require the construction or***
10 ***expansion of recreational facilities which might have an adverse physical effect***
11 ***on the environment?***

12 **No Impact.** The Project will occur within the Suisun Bay, which is used for several
13 recreational uses including bird watching, boating, and sailing. Although the Project will
14 temporarily occupy approximately 1 acre of the Bay, it would not include recreational
15 facilities or require the construction or expansion of recreational facilities. There is
16 ample area within the Bay to accommodate existing recreational uses of the waterway
17 with little or no conflict between uses.

18 **3.15.4 Mitigation Summary**

19 The project would not result in significant impacts to Recreation; therefore, no mitigation
20 is required.