

1 **4.11 RECREATION**

2 The proposed Project passes through Yolo, Sutter, Sacramento, and Placer
3 counties. In three of those counties, there are recreational resources within 1 mile of
4 the proposed Project right-of-way (ROW). This Section describes the existing
5 condition of recreation resources and evaluates the potential impacts of the
6 proposed Project on those resources. Section 4.11.1 describes the recreation
7 setting, with an emphasis on the Project vicinity, rather than the proposed alignment
8 ROW. Recreation facilities within 0.5 miles of the proposed Project are identified.

9 **4.11.1 Environmental Setting**

10 The proposed pipeline alignment traverses lands in Sutter County, Yolo County,
11 Sacramento County, Placer County, and within the Sphere of Influence of the City of
12 Roseville. The area along the proposed alignment passes through predominantly
13 agricultural or undeveloped areas. Line 406 is located entirely in north-central Yolo
14 County and extends from the existing Lines 400 and 401 to the existing Line 172A
15 for approximately 14 miles through unincorporated areas of Yolo County. The area
16 traversed by Line 406 is generally used for agricultural production. Line 407 West
17 extends from the eastern terminus of Line 406 in Yolo County to the junction of
18 Riego Road and Powerline Road, approximately 1 mile east of the Sacramento
19 River, in Sutter County. Line 407 East extends from the eastern terminus of Line
20 407 West and extends east to the intersection of Fiddymont road and Baseline
21 Road.

22 **Yolo County**

23 Recreational opportunities within Yolo County include community parks, State
24 recreation areas, historic parks, lakes, wine tasting, golf, river rafting, boating, and
25 swimming. Yolo County owns and maintains 11 parks and recreation facilities
26 throughout the County, and none of these recreation facilities are located directly
27 within the Project area. The Esparto Community Park is the closest park to the
28 Project area at approximately 2.5 miles south of the Line 406 Project area, in the
29 town of Esparto. However, recreational activities that may take place in the vicinity
30 of the Project area consist of water sports and leisure activities along Cache Creek
31 and the Sacramento River. A portion of the eastern end of Line 407 West is
32 adjacent to the Gray's Bend area of the Sacramento River. The line then continues
33 east and passes under the Sacramento River. There are no boat-launching facilities
34 or public beaches on the Yolo County side of the Sacramento River in these areas;

1 however, boats, kayaks, or river rafts launched from other parts of the river may be
2 present at any given time.

3 **Sutter County**

4 The main recreational activities offered in the Sutter County portion of the Project
5 area revolve around the Sacramento River. Lines 407 West and 407 East cross
6 approximately 6 miles of unincorporated Sutter County. There are no community
7 parks or other recreational facilities within 0.5 mile of the Project area. Recreational
8 activities are limited to the vicinity of the Sacramento River crossing. The Rio
9 Ramaza Marina is a private marina on an approximately 0.35-mile stretch of the
10 Sacramento River, which is open to public access. The north end of the marina is
11 immediately adjacent to the Sacramento River crossing of Line 407 West. This
12 marina offers activities such as fishing, swimming, camping, and boating.

13 **Sacramento County**

14 Sacramento County supports a wide variety of recreational activities. The Powerline
15 Road Distribution Feeder Main (DFM) segment of the Project is in the northwest
16 corner of the county. The nearest recreation area to the Project site is the Teal
17 Bend Golf Course, which is approximately 2 miles southwest of the DFM area.

18 There are no recreational areas in Sacramento County within 0.5 mile of the Line
19 407 East Project area. The closest recreational area is the Dry Creek Parkway,
20 managed by Sacramento County. The northern border of the parkway is
21 approximately 1.5 miles south of the Line 407 East Project site.

22 **Placer County**

23 Line 407 East extends approximately 6.5 miles into the southwestern corner of
24 Placer County, terminating within the City of Roseville's sphere of influence. Bill
25 Santucci Park, located within the Roseville city limits, is the closest recreational
26 facility to the Project at 0.41 miles from the eastern terminus of Line 407 East. Doyle
27 Ranch Park and Morgan Creek Golf Club, also located in Roseville, are
28 approximately 0.85 and 0.80 miles south of the proposed Project, respectively.
29 Existing and proposed bikeways are located immediately adjacent to the Line 407
30 East Project area. The City of Roseville has designated Baseline Road and
31 Fiddymment Road as Class II bikeways, i.e., on-road bikeways. These roads mark
32 the boundary of the city's western limits and the termination of Line 407 East.

1 Junction Boulevard, approximately 0.3 mile east of the Project, is designated as a
2 proposed bikeway by the City of Roseville.

3 **4.11.2 Regulatory Setting**

4 **Federal**

5 There are no Federal regulations applicable to recreation resources, since there are
6 no federally-managed recreation areas, wilderness areas or wild and scenic rivers in
7 the Project vicinity.

8 **State**

9 *California State Park General Plans*

10 A General Plan is required for units of the California State Park System before
11 permanent facilities can be provided. When completed, the General Plan directs the
12 long-range development and management of a park by defining broad policy and
13 program guidance. The General Plan is specific to each park and gives a general
14 description of the applicable park; an evaluation of applicable resources including
15 cultural resources, natural resources, and management; a discussion of land use
16 and facilities at the park; park operations; and environmental impacts related to the
17 park. The closest State Parks to the Project site are Woodland Opera House State
18 Historic Park in Woodland and Colusa-Sacramento River State Recreation Park in
19 Sacramento, neither of which is located within the Project area.

20 **Local**

21 *Yolo County General Plan*

22 The following recreation goals, objectives, and policies related to recreation from the
23 Open Space and Recreation Element of the Yolo County General Plan (Yolo County
24 2002) were considered in this analysis.

25 **Policy REC 1: Recreation Basic.** Yolo County acquires, maintains and
26 provides a variety of park, open and natural areas for recreational and leisure
27 pursuits at the regional, community and neighborhood level through means of
28 California statute, established land use controls, regulations, real property
29 transfer, and the advice, guidance and cooperation of other jurisdictions and
30 through coordination with other elements of this General Plan, as amended. It
31 shall be the basic recreation policy of the County to:

- 1 1. Protect and preserve as many of the County's recreational and scenic
2 resources as possible;
- 3 2. Maintain diversified regional-type recreation facilities and programs;
- 4 3. Assist in preserving the open space resources of the County;
- 5 4. Cooperate with special districts, cities, adjacent counties, and State and
6 Federal agencies in the acquisition, development and administration of
7 recreation facilities, resources and programs for joint use and mutual
8 advantage;
- 9 5. Cooperate with and encourage private individuals and organizations in the
10 preservation, acquisition, and administration of recreation resources;
- 11 6. Assist local rural communities in obtaining a basic level of recreation service;
- 12 7. Encourage and assist in the development of bicycle and hiking trails in and to
13 County parks and recreation areas;
- 14 8. Encourage Greater understanding of the park system and the resources it
15 protects by development of an interpretive program.

16 *Sutter County General Plan*

17 The following recreation goals, objectives, and policies related to recreation from the
18 Conservation/Open Space Element of the Sutter County General Plan (Sutter
19 County 1996) were considered in this analysis.

20 **Goal 5.A:** To provide adequate park and open space areas for passive and
21 active recreational, social, educational, and cultural opportunities for the
22 residents of Sutter County.

23 **Policy 5.A-1:** The County shall strive to maintain and improve the distribution
24 of local and regional parks to support the recreational needs of Sutter County
25 residents.

26 **Policy 5.A-2:** The County shall strive to achieve and maintain a standard of
27 10 acres of parkland per 1,000 population. This target ratio should be further
28 divided between neighborhood, community, and regional parks according to
29 the standards set forth in the County's park and recreation master plan.

1 *Placer County General Plan*

2 The following recreation goals, objectives, and policies related to recreation from the
3 Land use Element of the Placer County General Plan (Placer County 1994) were
4 considered in this analysis.

5 **Goal 1.G:** To designate land for and promote the development and expansion
6 of public and private recreational facilities to serve the needs of residents and
7 visitors.

8 **Goal 5.A:** To develop and maintain a system of conveniently-located,
9 properly-designed parks and recreational facilities to serve the needs of
10 present and future residents, employees, and visitors.

11 **Policy 5.A.1:** The County shall strive to achieve and maintain a standard of 5
12 acres of improved parkland and 5 acres of passive recreation area or open
13 space per 1,000 population.

14 **Policy 5.A.4:** The County shall consider the use of the following open space
15 areas as passive parks to be applied to the requirement for 5 acres of passive
16 park area for every 1,000 residents.

17 a) Floodways

18 b) Protected riparian corridors and stream environment zones

19 c) Protected wildlife corridors

20 d) Greenways with the potential for trail development

21 e) Open water (e.g., ponds, lakes, and reservoirs)

22 f) Protected woodland areas

23 g) Protected sensitive habitat areas providing that interpretive displays
24 are provided (e.g., wetlands and habitat for rare, threatened or
25 endangered species.)

26 Buffer areas are not considered as passive park areas if such areas are
27 delineated by setbacks within private property. Where such areas are
28 delineated by public easements or are held as common areas with
29 homeowner/property owner access or public access, they will be considered as

1 passive park areas provided that there are opportunities for passive
2 recreational use.

3 **Policy 5.A.8:** The County shall strive to maintain a well-balanced distribution of
4 local parks, considering the character and intensity of present and planned
5 development and future recreation needs.

6 **Policy 5.A.13:** The County shall ensure that recreational activity is distributed
7 and managed according to an area's carrying capacity, with special emphasis
8 on controlling adverse environmental impacts, conflict between uses, and
9 trespass. At the same time, the regional importance of each area's recreation
10 resources shall be recognized.

11 **Policy 5.A.22:** The County shall encourage compatible recreational use of
12 riparian areas along streams and creeks where public access can be balanced
13 with environmental values and private property rights.

14 *Sacramento County General Plan*

15 The following open space goals and policies related to recreation from the Open
16 Space Element of the Sacramento County General Plan (Sacramento County 1993)
17 were considered in this analysis.

18 **Goal:** Open space lands in Sacramento permanently protected through
19 coordinated use of regulation, acquisition, density transfer, and incentive
20 programs.

21 **Policy OS-1:** Permanently protect, as open space, areas of natural resource
22 value, including wetlands preserve, riparian corridors, woodlands, and
23 floodplains.

24 **Policy OC-2:** Maintain open space and natural areas that are interconnected
25 and of sufficient size to protect biodiversity, accommodate wildlife movement
26 and sustain ecosystems.

27 *City of Roseville General Plan*

28 The following parks and recreation goals and policies related to recreation from the
29 Parks and Recreation Element of the City of Roseville General Plan (City of
30 Roseville 2004) were considered in this analysis.

1 **Parks and Recreation Goal 1:** Provide adequate park land, recreational
2 facilities, and programs within the City of Roseville through public and private
3 resources.

4 **Parks and Recreation Goal 2:** Provide residents with both active and
5 passive recreation opportunities by maximizing the use of dedicated park
6 lands and open space areas.

7 **Parks and Recreation Policy 1:** The City shall ensure the provision of 9
8 acres of park land per 1,000 residents.

9 **Parks and Recreation Policy 5:** Cooperate with other jurisdictions to provide
10 regional recreation facilities, where appropriate.

11 **4.11.3 Significance Criteria**

12 An adverse impact on recreation or special use areas is considered significant and
13 would require mitigation if Project construction or operation would:

- 14 1. Prevent or impede access to an established recreation area during its peak
15 use periods or for more than 1 year;
- 16 2. Adversely affect areas of special recreational concern (such as a wilderness
17 area or wilderness study area);
- 18 3. Provide or enable access to previously inaccessible, environmentally
19 sensitive areas;
- 20 4. Result in permanent alteration of a recreation resource (e.g., use of recreation
21 lands or waters, disturbance to unique vegetation, habitat or outstanding
22 landscape characteristics);
- 23 5. Result in increased use of existing neighborhood and regional parks, resulting
24 in physical deterioration; or
- 25 6. Result in substantial adverse physical effects from construction of new or
26 altered recreational facilities.

27 **4.11.4 Applicant Proposed Measures**

28 No Applicant Proposed Measures (APMs) have been identified by PG&E related to
29 recreation.

1 **4.11.5 Impact Analysis and Mitigation**

2 **Impact Discussion**

3 Cache Creek, the Sacramento River, Rio Ramaza Marina, and existing Class II
4 bikeways and Bill Santucci Park in the City of Roseville are the recreational facilities
5 located within 0.5 mile of the Project area (California State Parks 2008, City of
6 Roseville 2008, Placer County 1994, Sacramento County 1993, Sutter County 1996,
7 Yolo County 2002). Project construction would not require the construction of new
8 facilities. The Project would not impact population in the area and, consequently,
9 would not create the need for new or expanded parks or facilities.

10 *Access to Established Recreation Area*

11 The Project would not prevent or impede access to an established recreation area
12 during its peak use periods or for more than 1 year. The proposed Project would not
13 limit access to special use and recreational areas during either Project construction
14 or operation. The Project would be constructed within 0.5 mile of Cache Creek, the
15 Sacramento River, Rio Ramaza Marina, and existing Class II bikeways and Bill
16 Santucci Park in the City of Roseville. The Sacramento River would be crossed
17 using horizontal directional drilling techniques, so boating, rafting, and use of the Rio
18 Ramaza Marina would not be interrupted. There would be no need to close City of
19 Roseville bikeways within the vicinity of the Project area because the Project would
20 not extend past the intersection of Baseline Road and Fiddymont Road. Access to
21 Bill Santucci Park would not be affected by construction or operation of the proposed
22 Project. Therefore, this impact would be considered less than significant (Class III).

23 *Special Recreational Concern*

24 The Project would not adversely affect areas of special recreational concern (such
25 as a wilderness area or wilderness study area). There are no areas of special
26 recreational concern within the Project area. Therefore, this impact would be
27 considered less than significant (Class III).

28 *Environmentally Sensitive Area Access*

29 The Project would not provide or enable access to previously inaccessible,
30 environmentally sensitive areas. The proposed Project would not include
31 construction of new roads and therefore would not provide access to previously
32 inaccessible areas. Therefore, this impact would be considered less than significant
33 (Class III).

1 *Permanent Alteration to Recreation Resource*

2 The Project would not result in permanent alteration of a recreation resource (e.g.,
3 use of recreation lands or waters, disturbance to unique vegetation, habitat or
4 outstanding landscape characteristics). The Project would be constructed within 0.5
5 mile of Cache Creek, the Sacramento River, Rio Ramaza Marina, and existing Class
6 II bikeways and Bill Santucci Park in the City of Roseville. However, these
7 recreational resources would not be impacted by the proposed Project and no
8 permanent alteration would occur to these recreational resources. Therefore, this
9 impact would be considered less than significant (Class III).

10 *Increased Use of Parks*

11 The Project would not result in increased use of existing neighborhood and regional
12 parks, resulting in physical deterioration. Increases in demand for recreational
13 facilities are typically associated with substantial increases in population. Since the
14 proposed Project is a response to projected growth in the region, the Project would
15 not result in increased population growth or the increased use of neighborhood,
16 regional, or other recreational activities such that substantial physical deterioration of
17 existing facilities would occur or be accelerated. As further described in Section
18 4.12, Population and Housing/Public Services/Utilities and Service Systems, the
19 proposed Project would require 90 to 130 construction workers, including PG&E and
20 contracted construction personnel. These employees would be drawn primarily from
21 the local area per union agreement. While the construction workers may use nearby
22 recreation facilities during breaks, this would be temporary in nature and would not
23 substantially increase the use of recreational facilities in the Project vicinity.

24 The proposed Project would not result in a substantial increased demand for
25 recreational facilities or adversely affect Yolo County, Sutter County, Sacramento
26 County, Placer County, and City of Roseville park/population facilities because the
27 construction activities would be temporary. Therefore, impacts related to the
28 increased use of existing neighborhood and regional parks, resulting from
29 deterioration, would be less than significant (Class III).

30 *Recreational Facilities*

31 The Project would not result in substantial adverse physical effects from construction
32 of new or altered recreational facilities. The proposed Project does not include any
33 plans for the addition of any recreational facilities nor would it require the
34 construction or expansion of recreational facilities. Therefore, the proposed Project

1 would not result in any adverse physical effects on the environment from
2 construction or expansion of additional recreational facilities. This impact would be
3 less than significant (Class III).

4 **4.11.6 Impacts of Alternatives**

5 A No Project Alternative as well as twelve options have been proposed for the
6 alignment in order to minimize or eliminate environmental impacts of the proposed
7 project and to respond to comments from nearby landowners. The twelve options,
8 labeled A through L, have been analyzed in comparison to the portion of the
9 proposed route that has been avoided as a result of the option. Descriptions of the
10 options can be found in Section 3.0, Alternatives and Cumulative Projects, and are
11 depicted in Figure 3-2A through 3-2K.

12 **No Project Alternative**

13 Under the No Project Alternative Lines 406 and 407 would not be constructed. As a
14 result there would not be any impact to recreational resources.

15 **Option A**

16 The area through which the Option A alignment would be similar to the proposed
17 Project and consist primarily of agricultural areas. There are not any recreation
18 resources to be avoided along the Option A portion of the proposed alignment;
19 therefore, there would be no change in impacts regarding protection of recreation
20 resources. There would not be a change in the magnitude of impacts for any of the
21 significance criteria. Option A would not prevent or impede access to an established
22 recreation area since this alignment would not pass through any recreational areas.
23 Nor would Option A adversely affect areas of special recreational concern since
24 there are no areas of special recreational concern within the Option A area. Nor
25 would Option A provide or enable access to previously inaccessible, environmentally
26 sensitive areas, since no roads would be constructed as part of Option A. Option A
27 would not result in increased use of existing neighborhood and regional parks, nor
28 result in substantial adverse physical effects from construction of new or altered
29 recreational facilities. Therefore, all impacts would remain the same as the
30 proposed Project under Option A.

31 **Option B**

32 The area through which the Option B alignment would be similar to the proposed
33 Project and consist primarily of agricultural areas. There are not any recreation

1 resources to be avoided along the Option B portion of the proposed alignment;
2 therefore, there would be no change in impacts regarding protection of recreation
3 resources. There would not be a change in the magnitude of impacts for any of the
4 significance criteria. Option B would not prevent or impede access to an established
5 recreation area since this alignment would not pass through any recreational areas.
6 Nor would Option B adversely affect areas of special recreational concern since
7 there are no areas of special recreational concern within the Option B area. Nor
8 would Option B provide or enable access to previously inaccessible, environmentally
9 sensitive areas, since no roads would be constructed as part of Option B. Option B
10 would not result in increased use of existing neighborhood and regional parks, nor
11 result in substantial adverse physical effects from construction of new or altered
12 recreational facilities. Therefore, all impacts would remain the same as the
13 proposed Project under Option B.

14 **Option C**

15 The area through which the Option C alignment would be similar to the proposed
16 Project and consist primarily of agricultural areas. There are not any recreation
17 resources to be avoided along the Option C portion of the proposed alignment;
18 therefore, there would be no change in impacts regarding protection of recreation
19 resources. There would not be a change in the magnitude of impacts for any of the
20 significance criteria. Option C would not prevent or impede access to an established
21 recreation area since this alignment would not pass through any recreational areas.
22 Nor would Option C adversely affect areas of special recreational concern since
23 there are no areas of special recreational concern within the Option C area. Nor
24 would Option C provide or enable access to previously inaccessible, environmentally
25 sensitive areas, since no roads would be constructed as part of Option C. Option C
26 would not result in increased use of existing neighborhood and regional parks, nor
27 result in substantial adverse physical effects from construction of new or altered
28 recreational facilities. Therefore, all impacts would remain the same as the
29 proposed Project under Option C.

30 **Option D**

31 The area through which the Option D alignment would be similar to the proposed
32 Project and consist primarily of agricultural areas. There are not any recreation
33 resources to be avoided along the Option D portion of the proposed alignment;
34 therefore, there would be no change in impacts regarding protection of recreation
35 resources. There would not be a change in the magnitude of impacts for any of the

1 significance criteria. Option D would not prevent or impede access to an established
2 recreation area since this alignment would not pass through any recreational areas.
3 Nor would Option D adversely affect areas of special recreational concern since
4 there are no areas of special recreational concern within the Option D area. Nor
5 would Option D provide or enable access to previously inaccessible, environmentally
6 sensitive areas, since no roads would be constructed as part of Option D. Option D
7 would not result in increased use of existing neighborhood and regional parks, nor
8 result in substantial adverse physical effects from construction of new or altered
9 recreational facilities. Therefore, all impacts would remain the same as the
10 proposed Project under Option D.

11 **Option E**

12 The area through which the Option E alignment would be similar to the proposed
13 Project and consist primarily of agricultural areas. There are not any recreation
14 resources to be avoided along the Option E portion of the proposed alignment;
15 therefore, there would be no change in impacts regarding protection of recreation
16 resources. There would not be a change in the magnitude of impacts for any of the
17 significance criteria. Option E would not prevent or impede access to an established
18 recreation area since this alignment would not pass through any recreational areas.
19 Nor would Option E adversely affect areas of special recreational concern since
20 there are no areas of special recreational concern within the Option E area. Nor
21 would Option E provide or enable access to previously inaccessible, environmentally
22 sensitive areas, since no roads would be constructed as part of Option E. Option E
23 would not result in increased use of existing neighborhood and regional parks, nor
24 result in substantial adverse physical effects from construction of new or altered
25 recreational facilities. Therefore, all impacts would remain the same as the
26 proposed Project under Option E.

27 **Option F**

28 The area through which the Option F alignment would be similar to the proposed
29 Project and consist primarily of agricultural areas. There are not any recreation
30 resources to be avoided along the Option F portion of the proposed alignment;
31 therefore, there would be no change in impacts regarding protection of recreation
32 resources. There would not be a change in the magnitude of impacts for any of the
33 significance criteria. Option F would not prevent or impede access to an established
34 recreation area since this alignment would not pass through any recreational areas.
35 Nor would Option F adversely affect areas of special recreational concern since

1 there are no areas of special recreational concern within the Option F area. Nor
2 would Option F provide or enable access to previously inaccessible, environmentally
3 sensitive areas, since no roads would be constructed as part of Option F. Option F
4 would not result in increased use of existing neighborhood and regional parks, nor
5 result in substantial adverse physical effects from construction of new or altered
6 recreational facilities. Therefore, all impacts would remain the same as the
7 proposed Project under Option F.

8 **Option G**

9 The area through which the Option G alignment would be similar to the proposed
10 Project and consist primarily of agricultural areas. There are not any recreation
11 resources to be avoided along the Option G portion of the proposed alignment;
12 therefore, there would be no change in impacts regarding protection of recreation
13 resources. There would not be a change in the magnitude of impacts for any of the
14 significance criteria. Option G would not prevent or impede access to an established
15 recreation area since this alignment would not pass through any recreational areas.
16 Nor would Option G adversely affect areas of special recreational concern since
17 there are no areas of special recreational concern within the Option G area. Nor
18 would Option G provide or enable access to previously inaccessible, environmentally
19 sensitive areas, since no roads would be constructed as part of Option G. Option G
20 would not result in increased use of existing neighborhood and regional parks, nor
21 result in substantial adverse physical effects from construction of new or altered
22 recreational facilities. Therefore, all impacts would remain the same as the
23 proposed Project under Option G.

24 **Option H**

25 The area through which the Option H alignment would be similar to the proposed
26 Project and consist primarily of agricultural areas. There are not any recreation
27 resources to be avoided along the Option H portion of the proposed alignment;
28 therefore, there would be no change in impacts regarding protection of recreation
29 resources. There would not be a change in the magnitude of impacts for any of the
30 significance criteria. Option H would not prevent or impede access to an established
31 recreation area since this alignment would not pass through any recreational areas.
32 Nor would Option H adversely affect areas of special recreational concern since
33 there are no areas of special recreational concern within the Option H area. Nor
34 would Option H provide or enable access to previously inaccessible, environmentally
35 sensitive areas, since no roads would be constructed as part of Option H. Option H

1 would not result in increased use of existing neighborhood and regional parks, nor
2 result in substantial adverse physical effects from construction of new or altered
3 recreational facilities. Therefore, all impacts would remain the same as the
4 proposed Project under Option H.

5 **Option I**

6 The area through which the Option I alignment would be similar to the proposed
7 Project and consist primarily of agricultural areas. There are not any recreation
8 resources to be avoided along the Option I portion of the proposed alignment;
9 therefore, there would be no change in impacts regarding protection of recreation
10 resources. There would not be a change in the magnitude of impacts for any of the
11 significance criteria. Option I would not prevent or impede access to an established
12 recreation area since this alignment would not pass through any recreational areas.
13 Nor would Option I adversely affect areas of special recreational concern since there
14 are no areas of special recreational concern within the Option I area. Nor would
15 Option I provide or enable access to previously inaccessible, environmentally
16 sensitive areas, since no roads would be constructed as part of Option I. Option I
17 would not result in increased use of existing neighborhood and regional parks, nor
18 result in substantial adverse physical effects from construction of new or altered
19 recreational facilities. Therefore, all impacts would remain the same as the
20 proposed Project under Option I.

21 **Option J**

22 The area through which the Option J alignment would be similar to the proposed
23 Project and consist primarily of agricultural areas. There are not any recreation
24 resources to be avoided along the Option J portion of the proposed alignment;
25 therefore, there would be no change in impacts regarding protection of recreation
26 resources. There would not be a change in the magnitude of impacts for any of the
27 significance criteria. Option J would not prevent or impede access to an established
28 recreation area since this alignment would not pass through any recreational areas.
29 Nor would Option J adversely affect areas of special recreational concern since
30 there are no areas of special recreational concern within the Option J area. Nor
31 would Option J provide or enable access to previously inaccessible, environmentally
32 sensitive areas, since no roads would be constructed as part of Option J. Option J
33 would not result in increased use of existing neighborhood and regional parks, nor
34 result in substantial adverse physical effects from construction of new or altered

1 recreational facilities. Therefore, all impacts would remain the same as the
2 proposed Project under Option J.

3 **Option K**

4 The area through which the Option K alignment would be similar to the proposed
5 Project and consist primarily of agricultural areas. There are not any recreation
6 resources to be avoided along the Option K portion of the proposed alignment;
7 therefore, there would be no change in impacts regarding protection of recreation
8 resources. There would not be a change in the magnitude of impacts for any of the
9 significance criteria. Option K would not prevent or impede access to an established
10 recreation area since this alignment would not pass through any recreational areas.
11 Nor would Option K adversely affect areas of special recreational concern since
12 there are no areas of special recreational concern within the Option K area. Nor
13 would Option K provide or enable access to previously inaccessible, environmentally
14 sensitive areas, since no roads would be constructed as part of Option K. Option K
15 would not result in increased use of existing neighborhood and regional parks, nor
16 result in substantial adverse physical effects from construction of new or altered
17 recreational facilities. Therefore, all impacts would remain the same as the
18 proposed Project under Option K.

19 **Option L**

20 The area through which the Option L alignment would be similar to the proposed
21 Project and consist primarily of agricultural areas. There are not any recreation
22 resources to be avoided along the Option L portion of the proposed alignment;
23 therefore, there would be no change in impacts regarding protection of recreation
24 resources. There would not be a change in the magnitude of impacts for any of the
25 significance criteria. Option L would not prevent or impede access to an established
26 recreation area since this alignment would not pass through any recreational areas.
27 Nor would Option L adversely affect areas of special recreational concern since
28 there are no areas of special recreational concern within the Option L area. Nor
29 would Option L provide or enable access to previously inaccessible, environmentally
30 sensitive areas, since no roads would be constructed as part of Option L. Option L
31 would not result in increased use of existing neighborhood and regional parks, nor
32 result in substantial adverse physical effects from construction of new or altered
33 recreational facilities. Therefore, all impacts would remain the same as the
34 proposed Project under Option L.

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Table 4.11-1: Comparison of Alternatives for Recreation

Alternative	Comparison with Proposed Project
No Project	No Impacts
Option A	Similar Impacts
Option B	Similar Impacts
Option C	Similar Impacts
Option D	Similar Impacts
Option E	Similar Impacts
Option F	Similar Impacts
Option G	Similar Impacts
Option H	Similar Impacts
Option I	Similar Impacts
Option J	Similar Impacts
Option K	Similar Impacts
Option L	Similar Impacts
Source: Michael Brandman Associates 2009.	

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3 **4.11.7 Cumulative Projects Impact Analysis**

4 The construction of other projects in the vicinity of the proposed Project could
5 cumulatively affect recreational resources if the construction activities occurred
6 simultaneously. As discussed in Section 3.4, Cumulative Related Future Projects,
7 several projects are planned in the vicinity of the proposed Project. The timing of
8 construction for the cumulative projects is unknown, and it is possible that portions of
9 these projects could be constructed at the same time and in the same vicinity as the
10 proposed Project. However, the proposed Project would not result in any long-term
11 impacts on recreational resources, and would therefore not be cumulatively
12 considerable. Cumulative impacts would be less than significant (Class III).

13 **4.11.8 Summary of Impacts and Mitigation Measures**

14 Since the Project would not prevent or impede access to an established recreation
15 area, adversely affect areas of special recreational concern, provide or enable
16 access to previously inaccessible environmentally sensitive areas, result in

- 1 increased use of existing neighborhood and regional parks, or result in substantial
- 2 adverse physical effects from construction of new or altered recreational facilities, no
- 3 mitigation measures have been proposed.