

Attachment C

Errata Sheet

SMUD Trail Project

**Project Initial Study/Mitigated Negative
Declaration**

December 2011

(CIP No. 97005)

ERRATA SHEET FOR THE SMUD TRAIL PROJECT INITIAL STUDY/MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION

CEQA REQUIREMENTS

State CEQA Guidelines §15073.5(a) requires that a lead agency re-circulate a negative declaration “when the document must be substantially revised.” A “substantial revision” includes: (1) identification of a new, avoidable significant effect requiring mitigation measures or project revisions and/or (2) determination that proposed mitigation measures or project revisions will not reduce potential effects to less than significance and new measures or revisions must be required. Recirculation is not required when new information is added to the negative declaration which merely clarifies, amplifies, or makes insignificant modifications to the negative declaration.

The October 2011 Initial Study inadvertently omitted specific reference to El Dorado Irrigation District’s (EID) sewer main that currently runs along New York Creek in the Project study area. Additionally, St. Andrews Sewer Lift Station, located southwest of and outside the Project area, was not specifically referenced, although it does appear on Figure 3 of the IS/MND document. The associated access drive from Tam O’Shanter Drive to the lift station, located along the southwest Project area boundary, was anticipated to be used for construction access, but that has changed to be avoided. These facilities were all known to the County through coordination with EID staff and avoidance of these facilities was factored into design of the Project with the intention that no impacts would occur. This additional information provided in this Errata therefore does not result in new, avoidable significant effects requiring mitigation, nor would project revisions fail to reduce potential effects to a less than significant level (since all impacts would remain less than significant). The revised text provided below does not require recirculation in accordance with § 15073.5(a).

INITIAL STUDY TEXT REVISIONS/ERRATA

The following minor text changes are made to the Initial Study and incorporated as part of the Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration. None of these changes substantially modify the analysis or conclusions of the document, but instead simply clarify aspects of the previously circulated document. Changes to the text are noted with underline (for added text) or ~~strikeout~~ type (for deleted text).

2.2 Environmental Setting (page 2 – insert after first paragraph)

...developments. Dominant land uses in the vicinity are residential and open space. Open space to the east is currently grasslands and oak woodlands, and large-lot residences are scattered in the hills further east.

The El Dorado Irrigation District (EID) operates the St. Andrews Sewer Lift Station and backup generator, located just outside of the Area of Potential Effect (APE) along the southern SMUD easement boundary, adjacent to and west of New York Creek. A paved EID access road leads to the lift station facility via Tam O’Shanter Drive. Originally, DOT staff considered using this access road when constructing the proposed bridge. However, it was determined in order to best avoid the wetlands between the access road and the proposed bridge site, construction access will utilize the proposed trail alignment at the proposed trail access point on Tam O’Shanter Drive.

2.3 Project Description (page 3 – Insert underlined language after top paragraph)

A prefabricated bridge made of steel and wood would be installed across the creek to completely span the 100-year floodplain; abutments would be constructed on both sides of the creek outside of the 100-year floodplain to support the bridge. The bridge would be approximately 80 feet long. Placement of the abutments would require excavation depth of up to 5 feet. The proposed creek crossing just north of the SMUD power line would allow crane access from the west side of the creek to install the bridge without needing to work under the power line.

There are 3 existing underground sewer lines and associated appurtenances running north-south along the east and west banks of New York Creek in the Project APE. The proposed trail would cross these facilities but would not impact them. On the west side of New York Creek (toward Tam O'Shanter), both a gravity and sewer force main (SFM) are located under the free span of the proposed bridge. A 6-inch sewer line that is 45-inches below existing grade is 5-feet from the face of the proposed abutment. A 10-inch ductile iron pipe (DIP) SFM, that is only 20-inches below the existing grade, is 11-feet from the face of the proposed abutment (See Figure 4).

On the east side of New York Creek (toward Silva Valley Parkway), a 12-inch PVC sewer force main line is 53-inches below the existing grade, and located 36-feet east of the easterly proposed abutment under 6 to 7 feet of proposed fill approaching the bridge. Additionally, an air relief valve is located within the study area, but approximately 100 feet south of the proposed bike trail on the east side of New York Creek. DOT staff has designed the Project to avoid any impacts upon the EID facilities. DOT will continue to consult with EID staff throughout design and construction to avoid any conflicts with EID facilities.

2.4 Construction Methods (page 3, second paragraph)

The prefabricated bridge would be assembled off-site and brought to the project area on a flatbed truck. It would be set into place using a crane and ~~would likely~~ will be brought in from the west along the proposed trail alignment at the proposed trail access point on Tam O'Shanter Drive. ~~west side along an El Dorado Irrigation District (EID) paved access road~~ No diversions or in-water construction would be needed in New York Creek, but some vegetation removal in the proposed bridge location would be necessary. Vegetation would be removed or clipped by hand when possible.

3.1 Initial Study Checklist (page 37 and 38)

XVII. UTILITIES AND SERVICE SYSTEMS — Would the project:		Potentially Significant Impact	Potentially Significant Unless Mitigation Incorporated	Less than Significant Impact	No Impact
a)	Exceed wastewater treatment requirements of the applicable Regional Water Quality Control Board?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
b)	Require or result in the construction of new water or wastewater treatment facilities or expansion of existing facilities, the construction of which could cause significant environmental effects?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

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c)	Require or result in the construction of new storm water drainage facilities or expansion of existing facilities, the construction of which could cause significant environmental effects?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
d)	Have sufficient water supplies available to serve the project from existing entitlements and resources, or are new or expanded entitlements needed?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
e)	Result in a determination by the wastewater treatment provider which serves or may serve the project that it has adequate capacity to serve the project's projected demand in addition to the provider's existing commitments?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
f)	Be served by a landfill with sufficient permitted capacity to accommodate the project's solid waste disposal needs?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
g)	Comply with federal, state, and local statutes and regulations related to solid waste?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

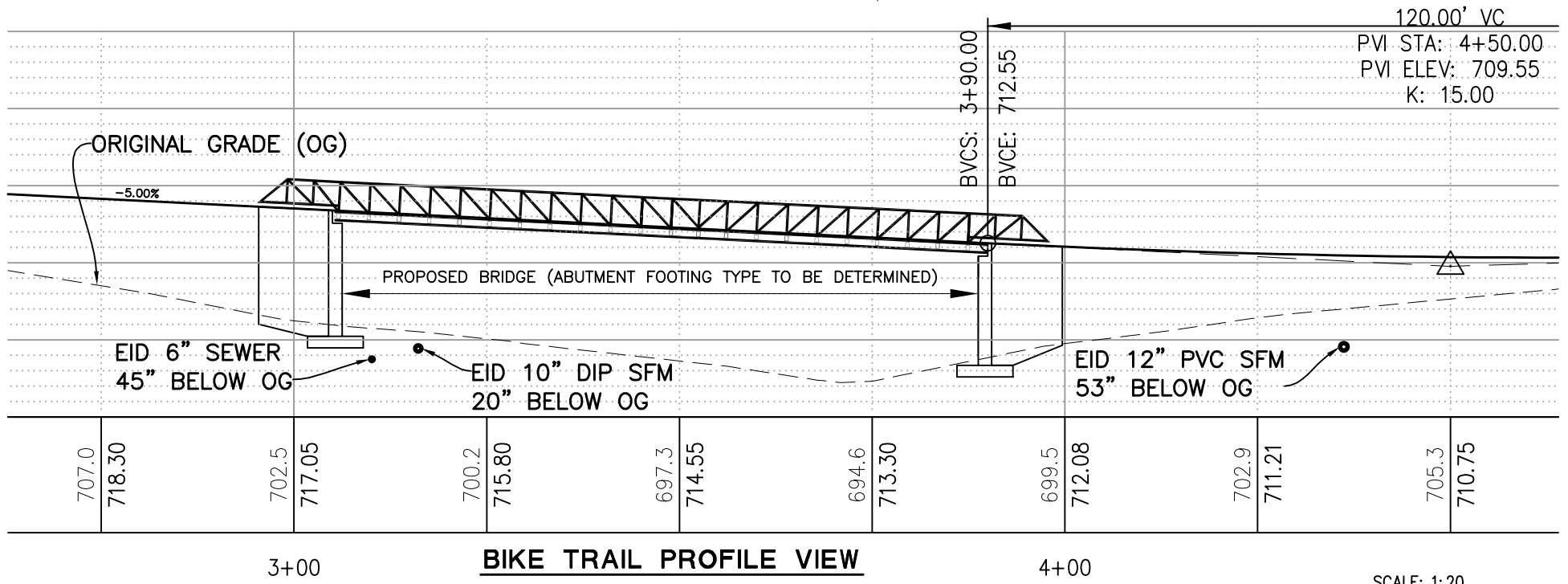
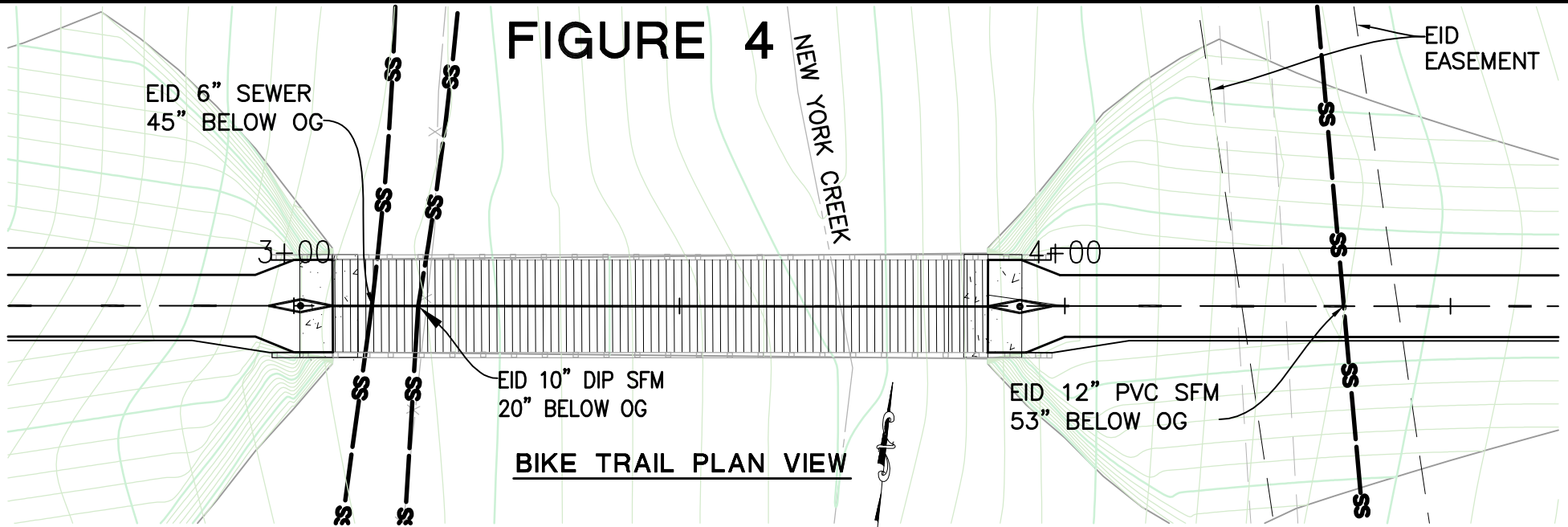
Environmental Setting

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FIGURE 4



**NEW YORK CREEK TRAIL EAST
(aka SMUD TRAIL)
USA - SEWER LOCATIONS**

DESIGNED: DRF
DRAWN: DRF
CHECKED: PH
DATE: 11/17/2011

SCALE: 1:20
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