

APPENDIX C

California Historical Resources Information System

Records Search

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Re: Record search results for the proposed 1936 Alum Rock Project.

Dear Nicole Cuevas,

Per your request received by our office on 1/30/2018, a records search was conducted for the above referenced project by reviewing pertinent Northwest Information Center (NWIC) base maps that reference cultural resources records and reports, historic-period maps, and literature for Santa Clara County. Please note that use of the term cultural resources includes both archaeological resources and historical buildings and/or structures.

Review of this information indicates that there have been no archaeological or architectural studies in the 1936 Alum Rock Project area. The State Office of Historic Preservation Historic Property Directory (OHP HPD) (which includes listings of the California Register of Historical Resources, California State Historical Landmarks, California State Points of Historical Interest, and the National Register of Historic Places) lists one recorded building in the proposed project area, (property number 160818, at 1936 Alum Rock Ave, status code 6y: Determined ineligible for the National Register by consensus through Section 106 process – Not evaluated for the California Register or Local Listing.). In addition to these inventories, the NWIC base maps show this building recorded as P-43-001668 (Hill 2004) at which time the resource was evaluated for the California Register and local registers and found ineligible.

At the time of Euroamerican contact the Native Americans that lived in the area were speakers of the Tamyen language, part of the Costanoan language family (Levy 1978:485). There are no Native American resources in or adjacent to the proposed project area referenced in the ethnographic literature (Levy 1976:57).

Based on an evaluation of the environmental setting and features associated with known sites, Native American resources in this part of Santa Clara County have been found in close proximity to fresh water resources, in transitional ecotones and in close proximity to marshland and coastal resources. The 1936 Alum Rock Project area is located adjacent to Silver Creek. Given the similarity of one or more of these environmental factors, there is a moderate potential for unrecorded Native American resources in the proposed 1936 Alum Rock Project area.

Review of historical literature and maps gave no indication of historic-period activity within the 1936 Alum Rock Project area. With this in mind, there is a low potential for unrecorded historic-period archaeological resources in the proposed 1936 Alum Rock Project area.

The 1942 and 1951 USGS 15-minute topographic quadrangle depicts multiple buildings or structures within the 1936 Alum Rock Project area. These unrecorded buildings/structures meet the Office of Historic Preservation's minimum age standard that buildings, structures, and objects 45 years or older may be of historical value.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1) There is a moderate potential of identifying Native American archaeological resources and a low potential of identifying historic-period archaeological resources in the project area. We recommend a qualified archaeologist conduct further archival and field study to identify cultural resources. Field study may include, but is not limited to, pedestrian survey, hand auger sampling, shovel test units, or geoarchaeological analyses as well as other common methods used to identify the presence of archaeological resources. Please refer to the list of consultants who meet the Secretary of Interior's Standards at <http://www.chrisinfo.org>.

2) We recommend the lead agency contact the local Native American tribe(s) regarding traditional, cultural, and religious heritage values. For a complete listing of tribes in the vicinity of the project, please contact the Native American Heritage Commission at 916/373-3710.

3) The proposed project area contains one recorded building (OHP property number 160818, P-43-001668). Additionally, there appears to be multiple buildings or structures in the proposed 1936 Alum Rock Project area that have not been evaluated.

Therefore, prior to commencement of project activities, it is recommended that this resource and the unrecorded buildings or structures be assessed by a professional familiar with the architecture and history of Santa Clara County considering the scope of the proposed 1936 Alum Rock Project. Please refer to the list of consultants who meet the Secretary of Interior's Standards at <http://www.chrisinfo.org>.

4) Review for possible historic-period buildings or structures has included only those sources listed in the attached bibliography and should not be considered comprehensive.

5) If archaeological resources are encountered **during construction**, work should be temporarily halted in the vicinity of the discovered materials and workers should avoid altering the materials and their context until a qualified professional archaeologist has evaluated the situation and provided appropriate recommendations. Project personnel should not collect cultural resources. Native American resources include chert or obsidian flakes, projectile points, mortars, and pestles; and dark friable soil containing shell and bone dietary debris, heat-affected rock, or human burials. Historic-period resources include stone or adobe foundations or walls; structures and remains with square nails; and refuse deposits or bottle dumps, often located in old wells or privies.

6) It is recommended that any identified cultural resources be recorded on DPR 523 historic resource recordation forms, available online from the Office of Historic Preservation's website: http://ohp.parks.ca.gov/default.asp?page_id=1069

Due to processing delays and other factors, not all of the historical resource reports and resource records that have been submitted to the Office of Historic Preservation are available via this records search. Additional information may be available through the federal, state, and local agencies that produced or paid for historical resource management work in the search area. Additionally, Native American tribes have historical resource information not in the California Historical Resources Information System (CHRIS) Inventory, and you should contact the California Native American Heritage Commission for information on local/regional tribal contacts.

The California Office of Historic Preservation (OHP) contracts with the California Historical Resources Information System's (CHRIS) regional Information Centers (ICs) to maintain information in the CHRIS inventory and make it available to local, state, and federal agencies, cultural resource professionals, Native American tribes, researchers, and the public. Recommendations made by IC coordinators or their staff regarding the interpretation and application of this information are advisory only. Such recommendations do not necessarily represent the evaluation or opinion of the State Historic Preservation Officer in carrying out the OHP's regulatory authority under federal and state law.

Thank you for using our services. Please contact this office if you have any questions, (707) 588-8455.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Brian Denham". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Brian Denham
Researcher

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**Note that the Office of Historic Preservation's *Historic Properties Directory* includes National Register, State Registered Landmarks, California Points of Historical Interest, and the California Register of Historical Resources as well as Certified Local Government surveys that have undergone Section 106 review.