



DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
SAN FRANCISCO DISTRICT, U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS
450 GOLDEN GATE AVENUE
SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA 94102-3404

Operations and Readiness Division

PUBLIC NOTICE

**REQUEST FOR PERMISSION TO ALTER A U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS
PROJECT UNDER SECTION 408**

TITLE: Guadalupe River – Ranger Station Removal Project, 408-SPN-2024-0002

Public notice comment period:

Begins: March 11, 2024

Ends: April 10, 2024

REQUESTER: In compliance with U.S.C. Title 33, Chapter 9, Subchapter 1, Section 408, the City of San Jose (requester) has requested permission through the Valley Water (non-federal sponsor of the federally authorized project) from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) to alter the Downtown Guadalupe River Project, an existing federal flood risk management project, authorized by the Flood Control Act of 1948.

LOCATION: The proposed project is located at 375 West Santa Clara Street, adjacent to the Guadalupe River, San Jose, Santa Clara County, California.

REQUESTER'S PROPOSED ACTION: The City of San Jose proposes to demolish a fire-damaged ranger station and install new improvements within the existing ranger station footprint, creating an overlook adjacent to the Guadalupe River. (Attachment 2)

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS OF PROPOSED ACTION: The proposed project would remove an existing, fire-damaged structure located along a flood wall on the Guadalupe River. The work activities would take place on top of the flood wall and areas on the landward side of the wall. No impacts are expected to the river.

USACE determined there is no suitable habitat for federally listed species under the jurisdiction of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) or the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) in the vicinity of the project. Therefore, USACE determined there would be no effects to federally listed species, designated critical habitat, or essential fish habitat under the jurisdiction of the USFWS and/or NMFS.

After an initial review, USACE has determined no eligible or potentially eligible cultural resources may be affected by the proposed project. USACE will initiate consultation with the State Historic Preservation Officer and Native American Tribes under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act, as appropriate.

Upon review of the Section 408 application and other supporting documentation, USACE has made a preliminary determination that the project neither qualifies for a Categorical Exclusion nor requires the preparation of an Environmental Impact Statement for the purposes of NEPA.

AUTHORITY: The authority to grant permission for temporary or permanent use, occupation, or alteration of any USACE civil works project is contained in Section 14 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899, as amended (33 U.S.C 408) ("Section 408"). Section 408 authorizes the Secretary of the Army, on the recommendation of the Chief of Engineers, to grant permission for the alteration or occupation or use of a USACE project if the Secretary determines that the activity will not be injurious to the public interest and will not impair the usefulness of the project. The Secretary of Army's authority under Section 408 has been delegated to the USACE, Chief of Engineers. The USACE Chief of Engineers has further delegated the authority to the USACE, Directorate of Civil Works and Division and District Engineers, depending upon the nature of the activity.

LIMITS OF SECTION 408 AUTHORITY: A requester has the responsibility to acquire all other permissions or authorizations required by federal, state, and local laws or regulations, including any required permits from the USACE Regulatory Program under Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899 (33 U.S.C. 403), Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. Section 1344), and/or Section 103 of the Marine Protection, Research and Sanctuaries Act of 1972 (33 U.S.C. 1413). In addition, an approval under Section 408 does not grant any property rights or exclusive privileges nor does it authorize any injury to the property or rights of others.

EVALUATION FACTORS: The decision whether to grant the requested permission for project alteration under Section 408 will be based on several factors. That decision will reflect the national concern for both protection and utilization of important resources. The benefit which reasonably may be expected to accrue from the proposal must be balanced against its reasonably foreseeable detriments. Review of requests for alteration will be reviewed by a USACE technical review team considering the following factors:

1) Impair the Usefulness of the Project Determination. The review team will determine if the proposed alteration would limit the ability of the USACE project to function as authorized, or would compromise or change any authorized project conditions, purposes or outputs. In order for an alteration to be approved, the requester must demonstrate that the alteration does not impair the usefulness of the federally authorized project.

2) Injurious to the Public Interest Determination. Proposed alterations will be reviewed to determine the probable impacts, including cumulative impacts, on the public interest. Factors that may be relevant to the public interest evaluation depend upon the type of

USACE project being altered and the nature of the proposed alteration and may include, but are not limited to, such things as conservation, economic development, historic properties, cultural resources, environmental impacts, water supply, water quality, flood hazards, floodplains, residual risk, induced damages, navigation, shore erosion or accretion, and recreation. This evaluation will consider information received from the interested parties, including tribes, agencies, and the public. The benefits that reasonably may be expected to accrue from the proposal must be compared against its reasonably foreseeable detriments. The decision whether to approve an alteration will be determined by the consideration of whether benefits are commensurate with risks and by the net impact of the alteration on the public interest using the public interest factors.

3) Environmental Compliance. A decision on a Section 408 request is a federal action, and therefore subject to the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and other environmental compliance requirements. While USACE is responsible for ensuring environmental compliance, the requester is responsible for providing all information that the San Francisco District identifies as necessary to satisfy all applicable federal laws, executive orders, regulations, policies, and procedures. NEPA and other analysis completed to comply with other environmental statutes (e.g. Endangered Species Act) should be commensurate with the scale and potential effects of the activity that would alter the USACE project. The San Francisco District will work with the requester to determine the requirements, which will be scaled to the likely impacts of the proposed alteration and should convey the relevant considerations and impacts in a concise and effective manner. The final NEPA analysis will normally address the direct, indirect, and cumulative impacts that result from activities resulting in the temporary or permanent use, occupation, or alteration of any USACE civil works project. The final NEPA analysis will be incorporated in the decision documentation that provides the rationale for issuing or denying a Section 408 permission for the project. The final NEPA analysis and supporting documentation will be on file with the San Francisco District, Operations and Readiness Division.

PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT: The purpose of this notice is to solicit comments from the public; federal, state, and local agencies and officials; tribes; and other interested parties regarding the Guadalupe River – Ranger Station Removal Project, a proposed alteration to an existing federally authorized project. Comments received within 30 days of publication of this notice will be used in the evaluation of potential impacts of the proposed action on important resources and in the evaluation of whether the proposed alteration would be injurious to the public interest and/or would impair the usefulness of the authorized project. Only the specific activities that have the potential to occupy, use or alter the Downtown Guadalupe River Project will be evaluated. Please limit comments to the area of the alteration and those adjacent areas that would be directly or indirectly affected by the alteration to Downtown Guadalupe River Project. Please note that all comment letters received are subject to release to the public through the Freedom of Information Act.

SUBMITTING COMMENTS: Written comments, referencing 408-SPN-2024-0002 must be submitted to the office listed below on or before April 10, 2024.

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ATTACHMENTS: vicinity map, location map, and proposed project footprint in relation to federal project.



DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS
CITY FACILITIES ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES DIVISION
PLANS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF

9755 - GUADALUPE RIVER PARK RANGER STATION DEMOLITION

375 W. SANTA CLARA ST. SAN JOSE, CA 95121



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PROJECT DATA

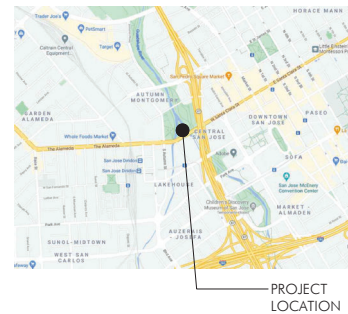
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OCCUPANCY: B
NUMBER OF STORES: 2-STORY
BUILDING CONSTRUCTION: TYPE V-B
SPRINKLERED: FULLY SPRINKLERED
APPLICABLE CODES: 2019 CALIFORNIA BUILDING CODE
2019 CALIFORNIA ELECTRICAL CODE
2019 CALIFORNIA MECHANICAL CODE
2019 CALIFORNIA PLUMBING CODE
2019 CALIFORNIA ENERGY CODE
2019 CALIFORNIA FIRE CODE
2019 CALGREEN CODE
* INCLUDING LOCAL CITY ADOPTED CODES & REQUIREMENTS

PLAN CHECK PERMIT NUMBER

BUILDING DEPT. PLAN CHECK NO. 22-704346 SECI
FIRE DEPARTMENT PLAN CHECK NO. TBD

NOTES:
1. PROJECT IS MANAGED AND PERMITTED BY THE CITY OF SAN JOSE, DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, CITY FACILITIES ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES DIVISION.
2. ALL RELATED BUILDING, ELECTRICAL, MECHANICAL, PLUMBING, CIVIL AND LANDSCAPING INSPECTIONS ARE AT NO COST TO THE CONTRACTOR AND THEIR SUBCONTRACTORS FOR THIS PROJECT.

VICINITY MAP



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PROJECT TITLE

GUADALUPE RIVER PARK
RANGER STATION
DEMOLITION

375 W SANTA CLARA ST.
SAN JOSE, CA 95113

REV	DATE	REASON FOR ISSUE
0	8/17/22	ISSN CD SET
1	9/21/22	ISSN CD SET
1	11/18/23	ISSN REVISION SET
1	4/7/24	CITY CHECK SET
2	6/7/24	CITY CHECK SET - REUB/MTAT

STAGING & LANE CLOSURE REQUIREMENTS

- CONTRACTOR TO PREPARE STAGING PLAN FOR TRAILER AND STAGING MATERIAL STORAGE LOCATIONS, SITE ACCESSIBILITY DURING CONSTRUCTION, AND VEHICLE ACCESSIBILITY DURING CONSTRUCTION OF THE PROJECT AND SUBMIT TO CITY FOR APPROVAL.
- GENERAL CONTRACTOR, ITS SUBCONTRACTORS AND THEIR SUPPLIERS, WHEN A DELIVERY OCCURS TO THE PROJECT SITE, SHALL COMPLY WITH SECTION 01 55 20 TEMPORARY TRAFFIC CONTROL. GENERAL CONTRACTOR SHALL SUBMIT A TRAFFIC CONTROL PLAN TO THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS PROJECT INSPECTOR AT LEAST FIVE (5) DAYS PRIOR TO LANE(S) CLOSURE.

PROJECT SCOPE

THE FOLLOWING IS A BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE SCOPE OF WORK FOR PUBLIC WORKS ENGINEERING SERVICES DIVISION & STRUCTURAL ENGINEERING SERVICES DIVISION (SECI). CONTRACTOR SHALL DETERMINE/VERIFY THE ENTIRE SCOPE AS SHOWN ON THE DRAWINGS AND SPECIFICATIONS PRIOR TO SUBMITTING BIDS.

- REMOVAL OF EXISTING BUILDING IN ITS ENTIRETY. SLAB AT GRADE TO REMAIN IN PLACE.
- NEW PAVING WHERE BUILDING RAMP WAS REMOVED. NEW RAILINGS AT PERIMETER OF SLAB AND ALONG SLOPED SITE.
- REMOVAL OF MEP SYSTEMS ASSOCIATED WITH THE BUILDING. MAINTAIN ELECTRICAL/WATER CONNECTIONS THAT FEED EXISTING SITE ELEMENTS TO REMAIN.
- REFERENCE GENERAL NOTES ON SHEET A0.1 FOR PROJECT REQUIREMENTS.
- IT SHALL BE THE CONTRACTOR'S RESPONSIBILITY FOR ALL THE DEMOLITION WASTE (IE. DIRT AND HARDSCAPE) REMOVAL AND DISPOSAL, INCLUDING EQUIPMENT AND LABOR TO ACHIEVE A FINISHED PRODUCT AS SHOWN IN THE CONSTRUCTION DOCUMENTS AT NO ADDITIONAL COSTS TO THE CITY.

APPROVAL TO BID

DATE: _____

MATT LOESCH
DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS

CITY CPMS PROJECT NO. ID 9755

DATE: 1/7/2022
CHECKED BY: JS
DWG. NUMBER: 9755

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COVER SHEET

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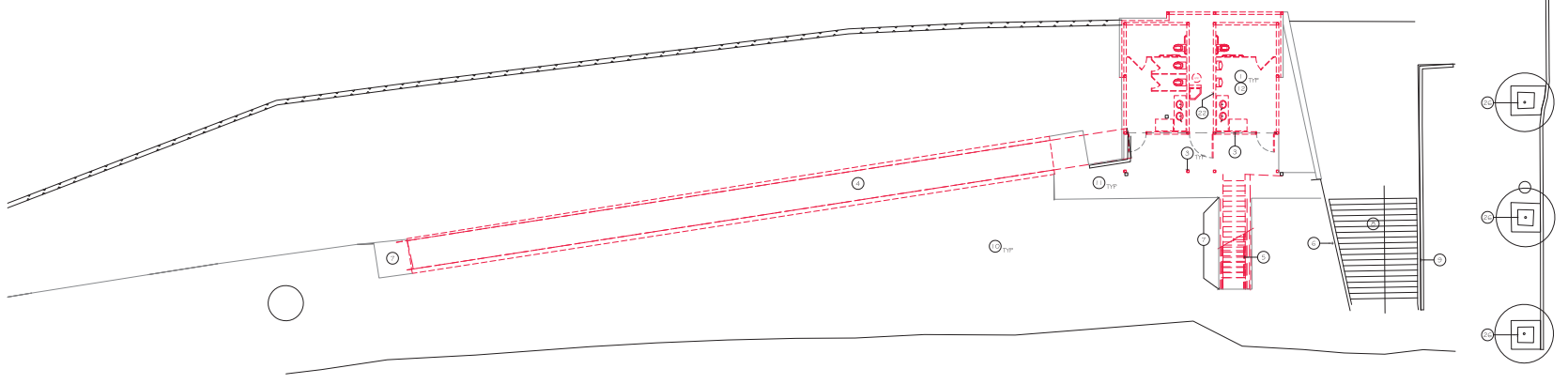
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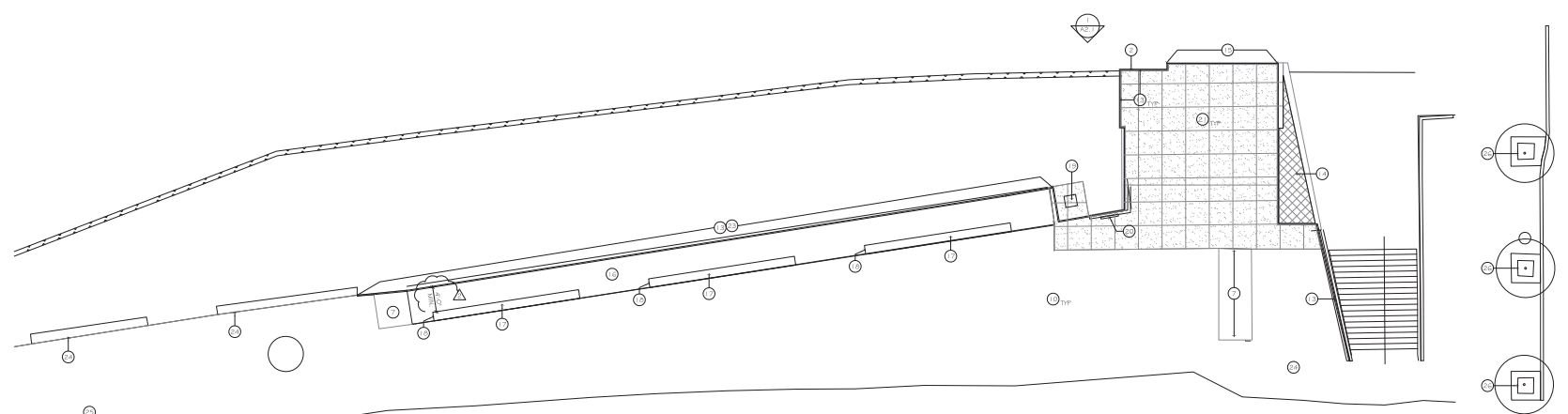
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FLOOR PLANS

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1. DEMOLITION PLAN
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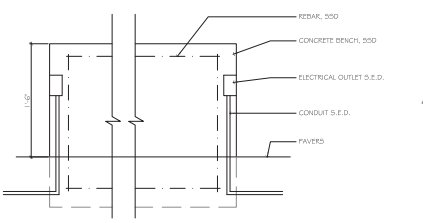


2. PROPOSED PLAN
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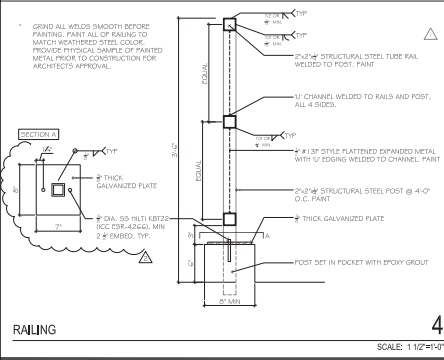
KEYNOTES

Indicated by on the plan.

- REMOVE IS BUILDING FROM FOUNDATION UP ENTIRELY. CAP OFF ALL UTILITIES NOT USED. RELOCATE ELECTRICAL PANEL W AND IRRIGATION CONTROLS TO NEW CABINET. FOUNDATION TO REMAIN PROTECT DURING DEMOLITION. CUT AND GRIND DOWN ALL STEEL POSTS DOWN TO THE FOUNDATION FOR EVEN SURFACE.
- FOUNDATION CURB TO REMAIN AT PERIMETER OF SLAB.
- SAW CUT OR CHIP CONCRETE CURBS WHERE WALL WAS REMOVED TO CREATE FLAT EVEN SURFACE. PATCH BACK IF HOLES ARE CREATED DURING DEMOLITION.
- REMOVE IS RAMP ENTIRELY DOWN TO FOUNDATION.
- REMOVE IS STAIRS ENTIRELY DOWN TO FOUNDATION. CUT ALL STEEL POSTS OFF DOWN TO THE FOUNDATION FOR EVEN SURFACE.
- REMOVE IS RAILING ENTIRELY.
- CHIP OUT PORTION OF IS RED CONCRETE AS REQUIRED TO INSTALL NEW PAVERS TO MATCH AND ALIGN WITH EXISTING.
- IS STAIRS TO REMAIN.
- IS RAILING TO REMAIN.
- IS SITE PAVING TO REMAIN. PATCH AND REPAIR IF DAMAGED DURING CONSTRUCTION.
- IS STRUCTURAL SLAB TO REMAIN. PATCH AND REPAIR IF DAMAGED.
- IS FOUNDATION TO REMAIN. PATCH AND REPAIR IF DAMAGED DURING DEMOLITION. PROVIDE LEVEL EVEN SURFACE.
- IS RAILING IN CONCRETE CURB AT EDGE OF SLAB. SEE DETAIL 4A(1.1). RAILING TO GO AROUND PERIMETER OF EXISTING BUILDING FOOTPRINT.
- IS METAL GRATE ATTACHED TO SIDES OF CONCRETE WALLS TO BLOCK ACCESS TO BELOW. PAINT TO MATCH EXISTING RAILING. S.S.D. FOR ADDITIONAL DETAILS.
- IS METAL GRATE AT OPENING UNDER SLAB AT RIVER. ATTACHED TO CONCRETE WALLS AND FLOOR ABOVE. PAINT TO MATCH EXISTING. SEE DETAIL AREA 1.1.
- IS SITE INFILL WHERE RAMP WAS REMOVED WITH PAVERS TO MATCH EXISTING. SEE CIVIL DRAWINGS.
- IS 23" DEEP LONG CONCRETE BENCH, 18" DEEP AND HIGH. S.S.D. AND 1/4" DIA. (1) FOR DETAIL OF BENCH CONNECTION. DEDUCTIVE ALTERNATE TO NOT INSTALL BENCHES. KEEP CONDUIT FOR FUTURE RAINING UNDERGROUND FOR FUTURE LOC 2 E.D.
- RECESSED NICHE AT ENDS OF THE CONCRETE BENCH FOR FUTURE OUTLET. SEE BLOC. DWGS.
- IS LOCKHOUSE-SHED METAL UTILITY CABINET. RELOCATE ELECTRICAL PANEL W AND IRRIGATION CONTROLS TO CABINET. PAINT CABINET TO MATCH RAILING.
- IS SURFACE MOUNTED MAXIMAX ONLINE TRIDE RECOGNITION PLaque, POWDER COATED ALUMINUM NPS STYLE DOUBLE CARTRIDGE FEDERAL LAYS WITH 4" EXTERIOR CHIP GRATING PANEL 24"x36". CONTRACTOR TO INSTALL. SEE DETAIL 3A(2.1). PEDESTAL AND GRATING PANEL PROVIDED BY: FOSAL INDUSTRIES, INC. 44 SPRING BLVD. DEER PARK, NY 11729 1-800-244-3809 WWW.FOSALINDUSTRIES.COM
- HATCHED AREA OF CONCRETE TO BE SANDBLASTED AND COLORED TO MATCH IS GRAY SIDEWALK NEXT TO THE PALM TREES. CONTRACTOR TO ADD NEW SCORING IN PATTERN SHOWN TO MATCH IS STEERING. CONTRACTOR TO PROVIDE SCORING PATTERN SUBMITTAL FOR ARCHITECT AND OWNER'S REVIEW AND APPROVAL.
- WHERE PILES ARE REMOVED PROVIDE NEW METAL COVER PLATE TO BE FLUSH WITH EXISTING CONCRETE SURFACE.
- AT IS DIRT AREA WHERE NEW CURB AND RAILING ARE ADDED. CONTRACTOR TO VERIFY IF SLOPE IS ADEQUATE TO PROVIDE WATER RUNOFF AND NOT CREATE LOW SPOTS FOR POOLING AND ADOPT AS NEEDED.
- REPLACE ANY MISSING OR BROKEN PAVES WITH NEW ASSUME IS TOTAL. ALIGN NEW WITH EXISTING ADJACENT. CONTRACTOR TO PROVIDE NEW PAVERS TO MATCH EXISTING. EXISTING PAVERS ARE GREY QUARTZITE SCHIST. MIN. 1" THICK. MIN. COMPRESSIVE STRENGTH: 15,000 PSI. NEW PAVERS TO MATCH CITY SAMPLES AND SUBMITTED TO ARCHITECT AND OWNER FOR REVIEW AND APPROVAL.
- SNACK BAR REMAINS OF ABANDONED CONCRETE PEDESTAL THAT PRESENTS A TRIPPING HAZARD. REMOVE PARTIAL. NATURAL STONE TILES, THEN INFILL WITH CONCRETE USE #4 - EPOXY SET 1/8" DOWELS AT 12" ON CENTER IN CONCRETE INFILL. THEN REPAVE WITH NEW NATURAL STONE PAVERS. THIS WILL REQUIRE 22 ADDITIONAL PAVERS.
- IS PALM TREES.



CONCRETE BENCH
SCALE: 1/12"=1'-0"



RAILING
SCALE: 1/12"=1'-0"

EXHIBIT A PERMIT AREA

