

**CITY OF ALBANY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT**  
1000 SAN PABLO AVENUE, ALBANY CA 94706

**NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A  
NEGATIVE DECLARATION  
OF ENVIRONMENTAL SIGNIFICANCE**  
*and*  
**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING  
BY ALBANY CITY COUNCIL**

**NEILSON STORM DRAIN AND SANITARY SEWER PROJECT**  
FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT THE CITY WEBSITE: [www.albanyca.org](http://www.albanyca.org)  
*Date of Notice: February 12, 2008*

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**PROPOSED NEGATIVE DECLARATION:**

In compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), The City of Albany has prepared an Initial Study to determine if the proposed Neilson Storm Drain and Sanitary Sewer Project might have a significant effect on the environment. Based on that study the City, acting as Lead Agency under CEQA, has prepared a Draft Negative Declaration.

**PUBLIC REVIEW PERIOD FOR THE DRAFT NEGATIVE DECLARATION:**

Begins **February 12, 2008**  
Ends **March 12, 2008**, at 4:00 PM.

**Availability of Documents:** The Draft Negative Declaration, the supporting Initial Study and the project application materials are available for review at:

- Community Development Department, 1000 San Pablo Avenue, during regular business hours:  
8:30 AM - 7:00 PM, Mondays; 8:30 AM - 5:00 PM Tuesdays-Thursdays; 8:30 AM – 12:30 PM Fridays.
- Albany Library, 1247 Marin Avenue (phone 510-526-3720 for hours.)

**Written comments may be addressed to:** Community Development Department, 1000 San Pablo Avenue, Albany CA 94706. E-mail address: [Cityhall@albanyca.org](mailto:Cityhall@albanyca.org).

**Project name:** Neilson Storm Drain and Sanitary Sewer Project

**Project sponsor:** City of Albany

**Location:** The project site is Neilson Street between Albany Terrace and Codornices Creek in the southeastern portion of the City of Albany, approximately 15 miles to the northeast of San Francisco.

**Project background:** Several years ago, residents in the 1000 block of Curtis and Neilson Streets, reported to the City on drainage problems that had become chronic during wet weather months. In June 2006, Albany voters approved Measure F, which identified funding for the Neilson-Curtis Storm Drain improvements. Following feasibility studies, it was determined that the Upper Village Creek storm water runoff be collected at this intersection of Albany Terrace and Neilson and conveyed in a new pipe below Neilson Street to Codornices Creek.

**Project description:** The following is an overview of the proposed improvements included under the project (2 construction techniques are being considered).

- Installation of approximately 1,500 feet of a new 30-inch or 24-inch (diameter) storm drain line below Neilson Street between Albany Terrace and Codornices Creek;
- Connection of a new storm drain line to an existing storm drain at Albany Terrace and existing arch culvert that contains Codornices Creek;
- Installation of new 18-inch Outer Diameter (OD) Reinforced Concrete Pipe (RCP) street-level storm drains using open cut procedure;
- Installation of four new manhole shafts and manhole covers at the point where Neilson intersects with Francis Street, Terrace Street, Albany Terrace, and a point approximately 10 feet north of the point where the new storm drain would tie in with the Codornices Creek arch culvert.
- Installation of three Type "A" drain inlets, which are single grate 2x3 foot grated curb inlets at street level;
- Installation of one Type "B" drain inlet, which is an inlet with two each of 2 x 3 foot grates at street level;
- Replacement of existing 6-inch sanitary sewer line below Neilson Street with an 8-inch line through a pipe bursting procedure. The bursting and pipe replacement procedure would take place for a section of sanitary sewer line that extends from a point approximately 30 feet north of the Codornices Creek arch culvert to a point approximately 125 feet north of the center of the intersection of Albany Terrace;
- Connection of the new 8-inch sanitary sewer line to six existing sewer manholes; and
- Restoration of roadway surface following project, including pavement restoration and roadway striping

Adequate space would be required for shaft construction and construction operations. Staging areas would be established at Tevlin Street and Francis Street; Neilson Street and Francis Street; Neilson Street and Terrace Street; and Neilson Street and Albany Terrace.

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**PUBLIC HEARING:**

The Albany City Council will hold a public hearing to receive public comments on the Draft Negative Declaration and approve the plans and authorize the call for bids for the Neilson Storm Drain and Sanitary Sewer Project at the following time and place:

**DATE AND TIME OF PUBLIC HEARING:** March 17, 2008, 8:00 P.M.

**PLACE OF PUBLIC HEARING:** City Council Chamber, Albany City Hall, 1000 San Pablo Avenue