

4.5 COMMUNITY SERVICES AND FACILITIES

4.5.1 INTRODUCTION

The community services and facilities within approximately ¼ mile (walking distance) of BART Silicon Valley study area were described in Section 4.5 of the FEIR and SEIR-1. These sections also evaluated the impacts of the Phase 1 portion of the project on these services and facilities. Community services and facilities are defined as schools, fire stations, police stations, hospitals, libraries, civic/community centers, parks, religious institutions, and museums.

4.5.2 ENVIRONMENTAL SETTING

The list of community services and facilities within ¼ mile of the Phase 1 area and the descriptions of these services and facilities have been updated in this section and are described below.

4.5.2.1 Police Services

The SEIR-1 stated that as of September 2006, the BART Police Department had 277 police personnel, with 194 sworn police officers and 83 civilian personnel. More recent BART Police Department staffing data have become available since publication of the SEIR-1.

As of August 2010, the BART Police Department has 296 police personnel, including 206 sworn police officers and 90 civilians. No other changes to police services or facilities in the Phase 1 area have occurred since certification of the SEIR-1.

4.5.2.2 Fire Protection and Emergency Response Service

The SEIR-1 did not identify any changes to fire protection and emergency response services in the Phase 1 area from those described in the FEIR. The following fire station was constructed in 2008 following certification of the SEIR-1 and is added to the list of fire stations near Phase 1:

- Fire Station 34 at 1634 Las Plumas Avenue, San Jose

Fire Station 34 is staffed 24 hours a day. Within the Phase 1 area, this station handles calls from within the area bordered by US 101, I-680, Las Plumas Avenue, and Sierra Road.

4.5.2.3 Hospitals

There are no hospitals located within the Phase 1 area.

4.5.2.4 Schools

The following schools are added to the list presented in the FEIR and SEIR-1 of elementary schools near Phase 1:

- Warm Springs Elementary School, 47370 Warm Springs Boulevard, Fremont
- Anne Darling Elementary School, 333 N 33rd Street, San Jose

4.5.2.5 Civic, Community, and Cultural Facilities

There are no changes to the civic, community, and cultural facilities near the Phase 1 area that were identified in the FEIR and SEIR-1.

4.5.2.6 Libraries

There are no changes to the libraries near the Phase 1 area that were identified in the FEIR and SEIR-1.

4.5.2.7 Parks and Recreational Facilities

There are no changes to the parks and recreational facilities near the Phase 1 area that were identified in the FEIR and SEIR-1.

4.5.2.8 Religious Institutions

There are no changes to the religious institutions near the Phase 1 area that were identified in the FEIR and SEIR-1.

4.5.3 REGULATORY SETTING

There are no local, state, or federal regulations that specifically pertain to community services and facilities. Design guidelines and mutual-aid agreements among the cities of Fremont, Milpitas, and San Jose provide guidance with respect to implementing Phase 1 and addressing impacts on community services and facilities. Refer to subsection 4.5.3.2 of the FEIR for a discussion of these guidelines and agreements.

4.5.4 PROJECT IMPACTS AND MITIGATION MEASURES

A review of the design changes made since certification of the SEIR-1 did not reveal any new impacts to police stations, fire stations, hospitals, schools, civic/community/cultural facilities, libraries, parks and recreational facilities, or religious institutions.

4.5.5 CONCLUSION

The design changes made since certification of the SEIR-1 would not result in new significant impacts related to community services and facilities. No new mitigation is necessary.

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