

Pico Power Project

***Appendix 8.3-A
Letter to City of Santa Clara
Historic Resource Coordinator***

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Ms. Gloria Sciara
City of Santa Clara
Historic Resource Coordinator
(408) 247-9857 (fax)

Subject: REQUEST FOR HISTORIC RESOURCES INFORMATION FOR THE
PICO POWER PROJECT, IN THE CITY OF SANTA CLARA, SANTA
CLARA COUNTY

Dear Ms. Gloria Sciara

Silicon Valley Power (SVP) is the municipal utility of the City of Santa Clara, California and will be seeking approval from the California Energy Commission (CEC) to construct and operate the Pico Power Project in the City of Santa Clara, in Santa Clara County. Foster Wheeler Environmental Corporation is assisting Silicon Valley Power in preparing the environmental assessment for the CEC filing of this project.

The proposed Pico Power Project will be a 120-megawatt (MW), combined-cycle, natural gas-fired power plant facility located within industrial corridor at the junction of Duane and Lafayette Street, just south of Bayshore Freeway (US 101). Construction laydown areas include a parcel on Space Park Drive, off of Kenneth St., the "Pistol Range" off of Lafayette St., and an area within the proposed plant site. SPV would construct a two-mile linear natural gas supply pipeline from the proposed project site, north along Lafayette Avenue, to SVP's existing Gianara trunk line (west of Gianara Street).

The vicinity is shown on the attached map and the legal description is provided below.

Pico Power Plant Project vicinity:

Milpitas 7.5 USGS Quad Map-T6S, R1W, unsectioned

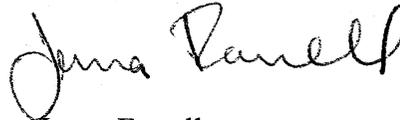


Construction for this facility is planned for April 2003, and we are in the process of preparing the Pico Power Project Application for Certification for the CEC.

We are requesting that you provide us with information pertaining to Historic Resources, architecturally or historically significant properties, archaeologically sensitive boundaries, and laws, ordinances, regulations, and standards concerning Historic Resources for the City of Santa Clara.

Please reference the "Pico Power Project" in your correspondence, and send the information to the address on the cover page, by email, or by fax (916)-928-0594. Please contact me at (916) 928-4801 or jfarrell@fwenc.com if you have any questions. We greatly appreciate your immediate attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

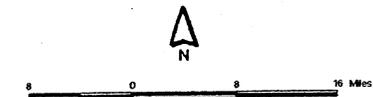
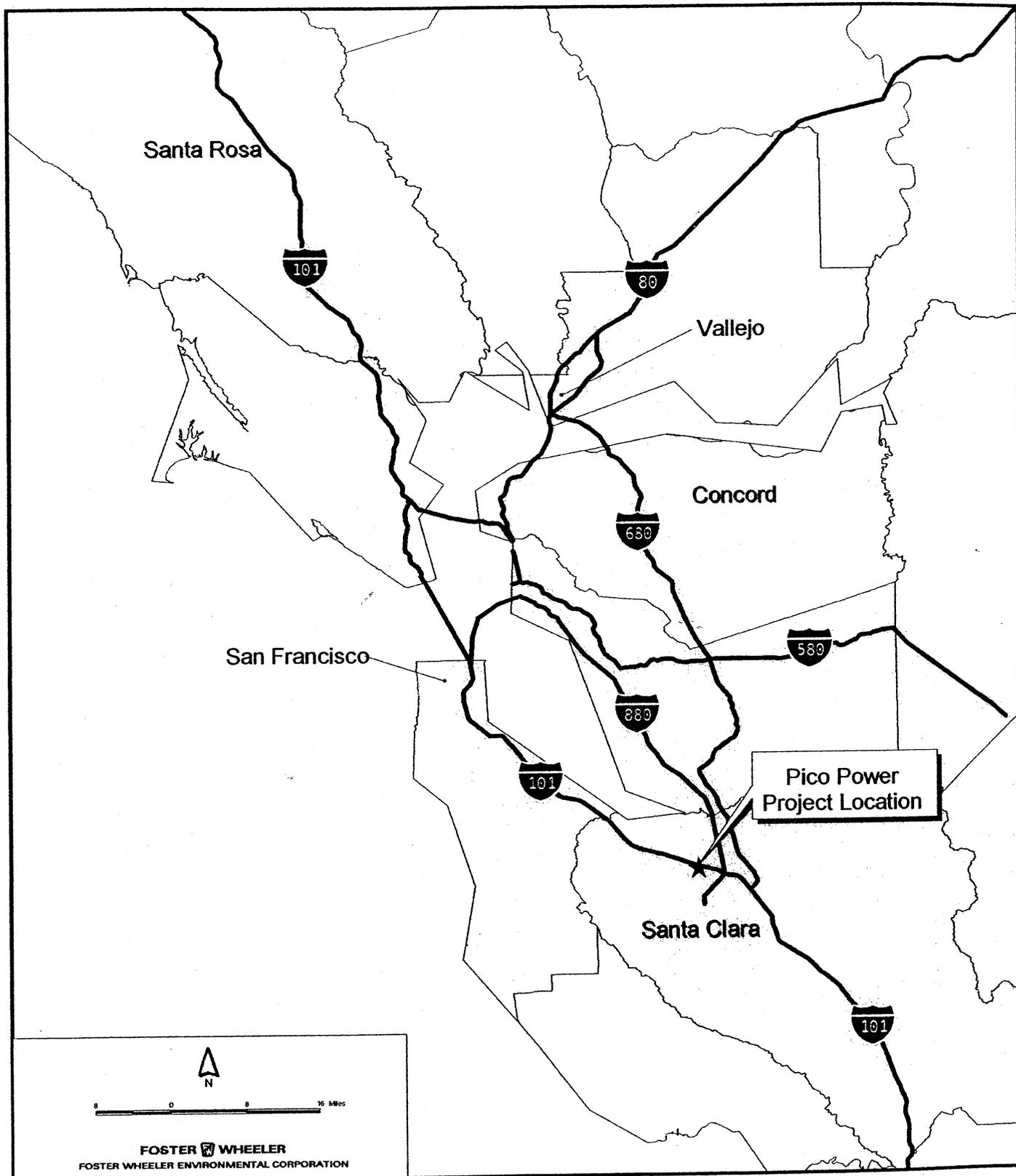


Jenna Farrell
Archaeologist

c: D. Davy, Foster Wheeler Environmental

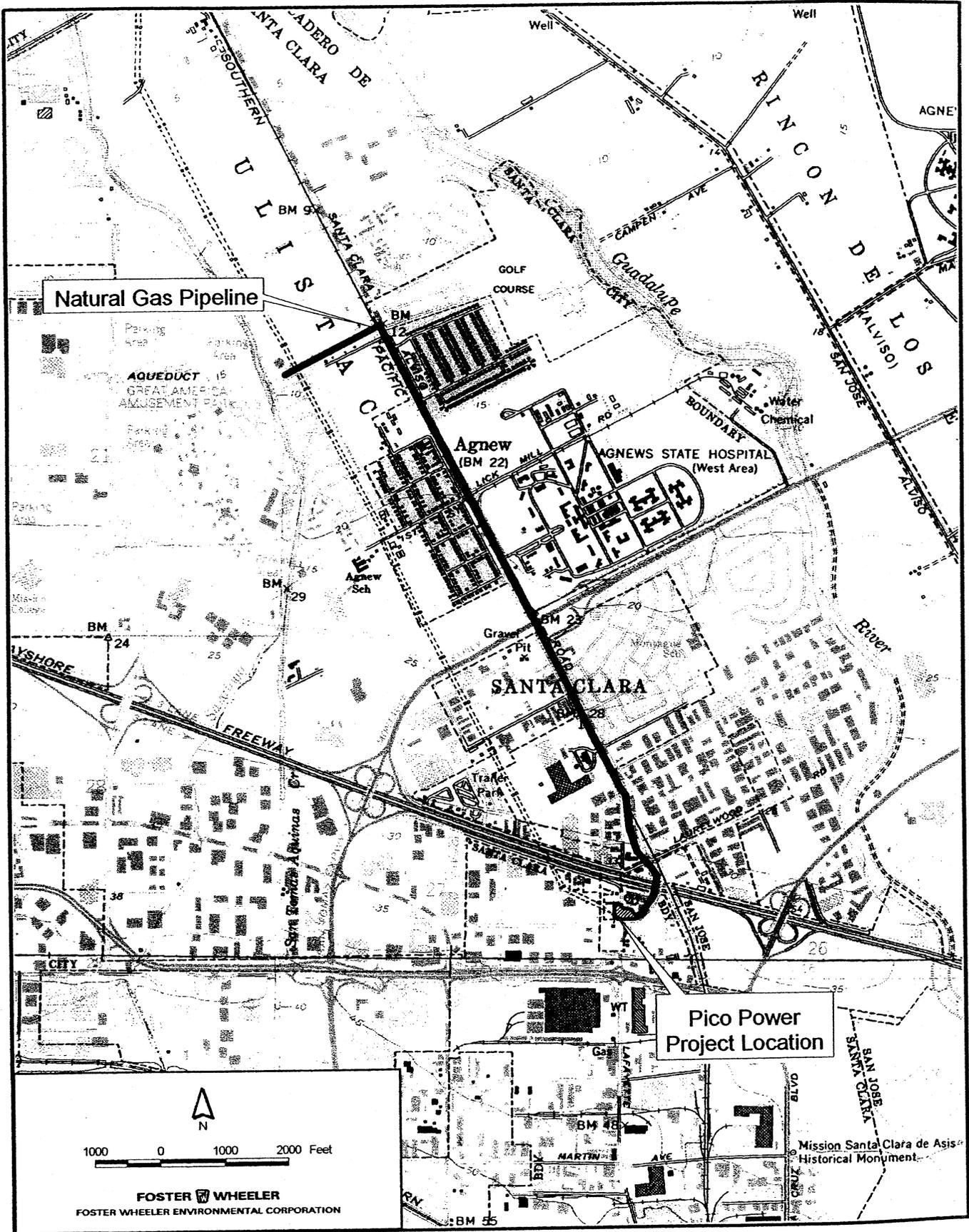


Pico Power Project Location

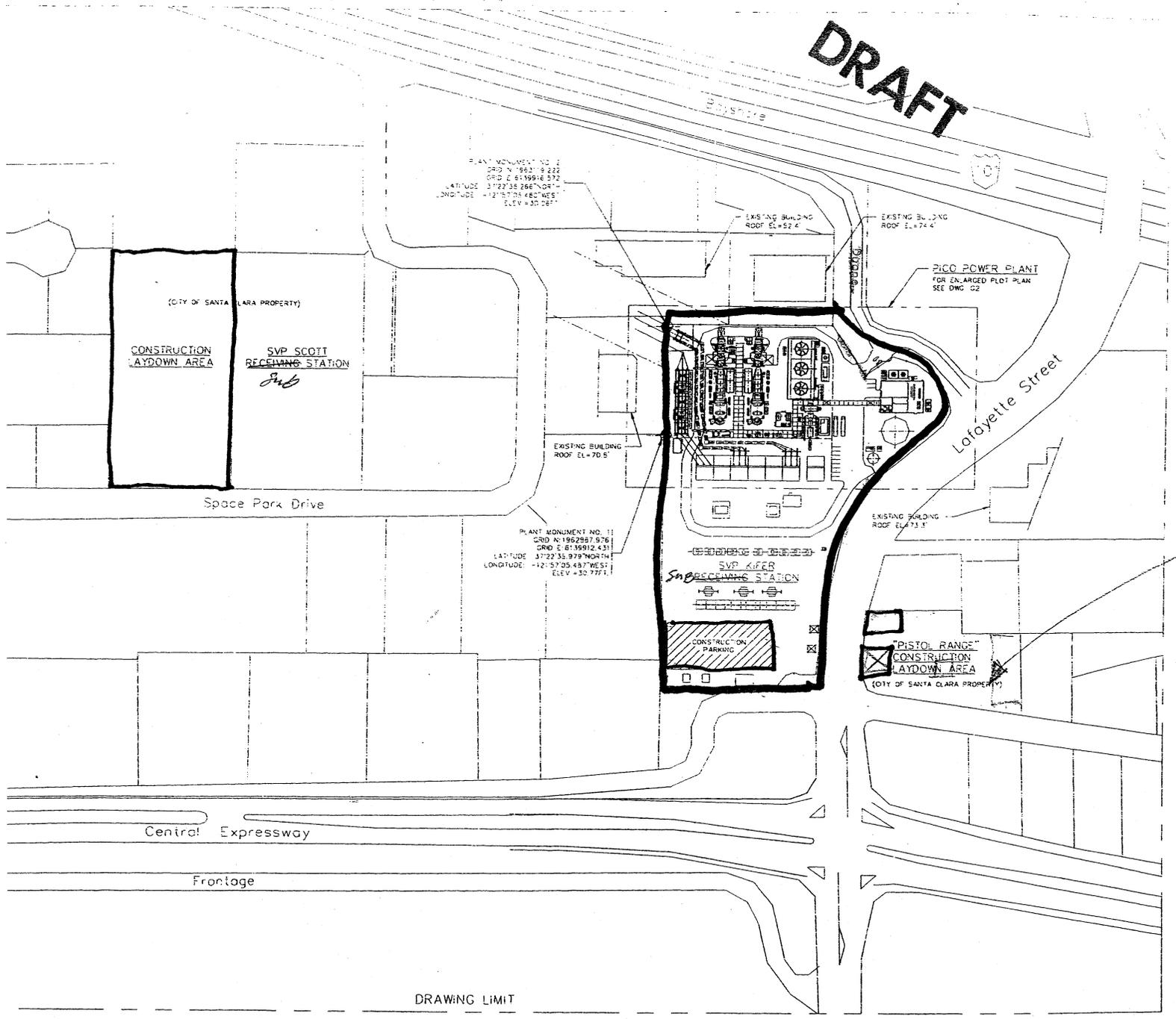


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PICO POWER PLANT AND NATURAL GAS PIPELINE LOCATION



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SITE PLAN
SCALE: 1"=100'-0"



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1" = 100'-0"



THE CITY OF SANTA CLARA CALIFORNIA



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July 18, 2002

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Re: SVP Pico Power Plant and Natural Gas Line Project

Dear Ms. Farrell,

The Historical Resources Division of the Planning Department has reviewed the proposed project in terms of potential impacts to cultural and archaeological resources. Based on this review we offer the following comments:

From our research, the project site is located in proximity to a known and documented archaeological site and is in proximity to other known sites. Therefore, it is our conclusion that the proposed project will take place in a highly sensitive area where the possibility of encountering historic and archeological resources is extremely high. Through a recent experience, we have discovered another site in the area that contained pre-historic remains and artifacts that were discovered during minor earth movement associated with a much smaller project.

Since there is a high probability of encountering cultural and archaeological resources, we want to be as sensitive as possible and involve the most likely descendants, the Muwekma Ohlone Tribe, at an early stage of this process. In our recent discussion with representatives from this group, we discussed that if future opportunities arose under our jurisdiction where monitoring would take place, the City would make a concerted effort to have OFCS (Ohlone Family Consulting Services) representatives involved in future projects. They have an approved list of professionals whom they can refer you to. Contact names for this group include Norma Sanchez, (408) 441-6185 (Tribal member and representative for OCFS) and Dr. Alan Leventhal, (408) 924-5722 Consultant to OFCS. It should be noted that the Muwekma Ohlone Tribe expects to obtain Federal recognition this year.

We cannot stress the importance of the Muwekma Ohlone Tribe involvement enough. Since it is your conclusion that monitoring is necessary for this project and we concur that the potential for discovery is deemed to be highly possible, we strongly recommend that lead agency for the SVP-Pico project utilize the available resources familiar with the area. Therefore, it is our position that the OFCS be contacted to conduct the monitoring and archaeological services for this project. If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact me at (408) 615-2462 or (FAX) comments to (408) 247-9857.

Sincerely,

Gloria Sciarra, AICP
Historic Resources Coordinator
City of Santa Clara
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cc: Geoffrey Goodfellow, Director of Planning and Building Inspection
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