



PUBLIC NOTICE

**AVAILABILITY OF A DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT
AND NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

PROJECT INFORMATION		PUBLIC HEARING INFORMATION	
Date:	November 29, 2023	Hearing Date:	January 4, 2024
Project Title:	Islais Creek Bridge Project	Time:	12pm
Project Address:	N/A	Location:	City Hall, 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, Room 400 and Remote - https://sfplanning.org/remotehearings
Case No.:	2022-000112ENV	Case Type:	Environmental (Draft EIR)
Block/Lot No.:	N/A	Hearing Body:	Planning Commission
Zoning District(s):	Production, Distribution, Repair (PDR-2)/Heavy Industrial (M-2)		
Neighborhood:	Bayview		
Project Sponsor:	San Francisco Public Works, Thomas Roitman, 628.271.2404, thomas.roitman@sfdpw.org		
EIR Coordinator:	Elizabeth White, 628.652.7557, CPC.IslaisCreekBridgeProject@sfgov.org		

The San Francisco Planning Department (San Francisco Planning) has studied this project’s potential physical environmental effects and welcomes your comments on the adequacy of the Draft EIR.

Project Description

The City and County of San Francisco is proposing to replace the existing Islais Creek Bridge along Third Street in San Francisco’s Bayview neighborhood. Construction of the proposed project would result in the replacement of the existing drawbridge with a fixed bridge and large ships would no longer be able access the Islais Creek channel west of the new bridge. The new bridge would accommodate a center 26-foot-wide dedicated light-rail transit (light rail) tracks, two 11-foot travel lanes in each direction, a 12-foot-wide shared pedestrian/bicycle path on the eastern side of the bridge, and a 16-foot-wide shared pedestrian/bicycle path on the western side of the bridge. Construction is estimated to be approximately 24 months and would begin no sooner than spring 2025. Throughout the construction duration, there would be no access for vehicles, the T-Third Street light rail service, or pedestrians to the bridge or Third Street between Marin Street to the north and Cargo Way to the south. Vehicles would be detoured around the site to other routes. T-Third Street passengers would use bus shuttles in lieu of light rail service south of Islais Creek Bridge and the 15 Bayview Hunters Point Express and 91 Third Street/19th Avenue OWL buses would be detoured around the project site.

Draft EIR: The Draft EIR finds that implementation of the proposed project would lead to significant and unavoidable project-level impacts related to historic architectural resources and transportation and circulation (construction-related transit delay). The Draft EIR provides a detailed project description, an analysis of physical environmental effects of the project, and identifies feasible mitigation measures and alternatives that would avoid or lessen the severity of project impacts. The Draft EIR is available for public review and comment on the San Francisco Planning Department’s website at sfplanning.org/sfceqadocs and at the San Francisco Permit Center, 49 South Van Ness Avenue, 2nd Floor, San Francisco, CA 94103. Paper copies and electronic copies (on a flash drive) of the Draft EIR are available upon request to the project planner. Referenced materials are available through the following Planning Department’s web pages: sfplanning.org/sfceqadocs and sfplanning.org/resource/permits-my-neighborhood.

Purpose of Notice

You are not required to take any action. If you wish to comment on the adequacy of the Draft EIR, you may do so in either or both of the following ways:

WRITTEN COMMENTS	COMMENTS AT THE PUBLIC HEARING
<p><i>Planner:</i> Elizabeth White, Senior Environmental Planner</p> <p><i>Via Mail:</i> 49 South Van Ness Ave, Suite 1400 San Francisco, CA 94103</p> <p><i>Via Email:</i> CPC.IslaisCreekBridgeProject@sfgov.org</p>	<p><i>Location:</i> City Hall, 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, Room 400 and Remote - https://sfplanning.org/remotehearings</p> <p>January 4, 2024, at 12 p.m. or later</p>
<p>From November 30, 2023, to 5 p.m. on January 22, 2024</p>	

The purpose of the public hearing is for the San Francisco Planning Commission and San Francisco Planning staff to receive comments on the adequacy and accuracy of the Draft EIR. The commission will not respond to any of the comments or take action on the project at this hearing. Certification of the Final EIR will be considered at a later hearing. Environmental review focuses on the *physical environmental effects* of the project. Comments regarding your like or dislike of the project or if you think officials should approve or disapprove the project will not be addressed in the environmental review document. Instead, we encourage you to provide these comments to the project sponsor, Thomas Roitman (628.271.2404, thomas.roitman@sfpdw.org). Additional information may be found on San Francisco Planning’s website or by contacting the EIR coordinator listed above.

General Information about Procedures

Members of the public are not required to provide personal identifying information when they communicate with San Francisco Planning Commission or staff. All written or oral communications, including submitted personal contact information, may be made available to the public for inspection and copying upon request and may appear on the department’s website or in other public documents. Only commenters on the Draft EIR will be permitted to file an appeal of the certification of the Final EIR to the Board of Supervisors.

At the close of the public review period, San Francisco Planning Department will prepare a Responses to Comments document to respond to all comments on the Draft EIR presented at the public hearing and received in writing during the public review period. This Responses to Comments document and all other associated documents will be made available at sfplanning.org/sfceqadocs.