



NOTICE OF PREPARATION
of an Environmental Impact Report for the
Alameda-Tesla Park Classification and General Plan Project

Date: January 15, 2025
To: State Clearinghouse, Responsible and Trustee Agencies, and Interested Individuals and Organizations
Subject: Notice of Preparation of an Environmental Impact Report for the Alameda-Tesla Park Classification and General Plan Project
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the California Department of Parks and Recreation (State Parks), as the lead agency, is preparing an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the proposed Alameda-Tesla Park Classification and General Plan Project (proposed project). State Parks has prepared this Notice of Preparation (NOP) pursuant to Section 15082 of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines. This NOP informs agencies and the public that an EIR is being prepared to address potential environmental effects resulting from the approval and implementation of the Alameda-Tesla Park Classification and General Plan Project. Publication of this NOP provides an opportunity for public comment on the potential environmental effects to be addressed in the Alameda-Tesla Park Classification and General Plan Project EIR. Additional information about the Alameda-Tesla Park Classification and General Plan Project process is available at the project website: <https://alamedateslaplan.com/>

Due to the limits mandated by State law, your response must be sent at the earliest possible date but no later than the close of the 30-day NOP review period at **5:00 PM on Friday, February 14, 2025**. If you submit comments on the scope of the EIR, you will automatically be added to the distribution list for future notices about the proposed project. Please include ***"Alameda-Tesla Park Classification and General Plan Project EIR"*** as the subject and submit comments via the mailing address listed above or email info@alamedateslaplan.com. Please note that all submitted correspondence and comments become part of the public record.

SCOPING MEETING

State Parks will hold a **virtual** scoping meeting at **6:00 PM on Tuesday, January 28, 2025**, to provide additional information about the Alameda-Tesla Park Classification and General Plan Project and EIR process and give interested parties an opportunity to comment on the scope and potential environmental effects of the project to be analyzed in the EIR. The meeting can be attended remotely via the Zoom platform at the following link: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/87331319353?pwd=xKbpbKizbugKC5nOCTv112rbglbaep.1>

Meeting ID: 873 3131 9353

Passcode: 303972

PROJECT LOCATION

The Alameda-Tesla Property includes more than 3,000 acres of land, made up of creeks, floodplains, valleys, hills, and rock outcroppings in eastern Alameda County, California. The property has been the location of industrial, mining, and ranching operations. The boundary of the Alameda-Tesla property is shown in Figure 1, *Alameda-Tesla Park Boundary*. The Alameda-Tesla property is along Tesla Road, approximately 8 miles west of Interstate 580 (I-580), and is approximately midway between the City of Livermore to the west and the City of Tracy to the east. The property shares a boundary with Carnegie State Vehicular Recreation Area.



PROJECT DESCRIPTION

A General Plan is the primary management document for each park unit within the State Parks System and establishes the park unit's primary purpose and management direction. The Alameda-Tesla Park Classification and General Plan Project would result in a General Plan for the Alameda-Tesla property. The Alameda-Tesla property would be classified at the same time. Classifications come with varying levels of trail systems, interpretive activities, recreation, and overnight lodging. More information regarding each of these classifications and subclassifications is available on the project website at <https://alamedateslaplan.com/elementor-8/>.

The General Plan will outline the long-term management framework for the property and, depending on the classification outcome, establish the foundation for future park improvements. The General Plan will be based on extensive resource and user information gathered during the planning effort. The General Plan will document existing conditions and establish goals and guidelines that will guide Alameda-Tesla property management and provide long-term direction for the development of future facilities. Where appropriate, the location and extent of potential future facilities will be determined, and associated effects will be analyzed in the EIR.

POTENTIAL ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECTS

The programmatic EIR¹ will determine whether implementing the proposed project may result in environmental effects requiring mitigation measures to offset potential effects. CEQA requires that an EIR evaluate alternatives to a project that could reasonably attain the project objectives while reducing any significant effect of the project, as well as considering the "No Project" Alternative (i.e., what could happen if the project were not approved). The potential environmental effects that will be addressed in the Alameda-Tesla Park Classification and General Plan Project EIR include effects on the following resource areas:

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| • Aesthetics | • Geology and Soils | • Land Use and Planning | • Recreation |
| • Air Quality | • Greenhouse Gas Emissions | • Mineral Resources | • Transportation |
| • Biological Resources | • Hazards and Hazardous Materials | • Noise | • Utilities and Service Systems |
| • Cultural and Tribal Cultural Resources | • Hydrology and Water Quality | • Population and Housing | • Wildfire |
| • Energy | | • Public Services | |

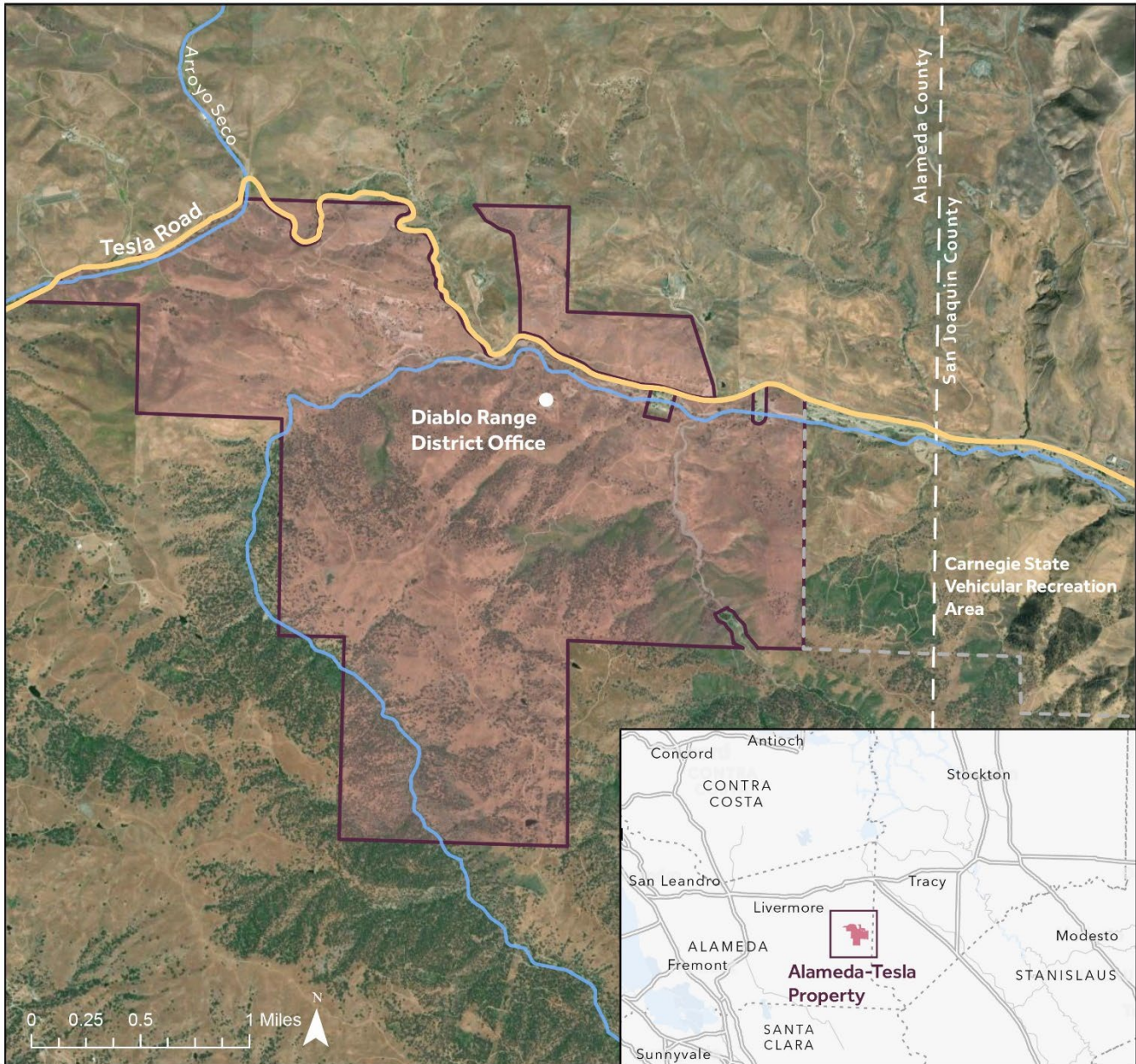
Agriculture and Forestry Resources: Alameda County zones the property as "agriculture." Local zoning does not apply to State property. There are no agricultural or timberland operations on the project site, and the project site does not contain any Prime Farmland, Unique Farmland, or Farmland of Statewide Importance.² Therefore, the proposed project would not result in any potential environmental effects to agriculture or forestry resources and this topic will not be addressed in the EIR.

¹ California Environmental Quality Act Statute and Guidelines Section 15168, Program EIR.

² California Department of Conservation, California Important Farmland Finder, <https://maps.conservation.ca.gov/DLRP/CIFF/>, accessed January 13, 2025.



FIGURE 1 ALAMEDA-TESLA PARK BOUNDARY





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