CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
CENTRAL VALLEY REGION

ORDER NO. 74-123

REVISION AND AMENDMENT OF WATER QUALITY CONTROL PLAN (INTERIM) BY THE ADDITION OF A PROHIBITION OF WASTE DISCHARGE FROM SEPTIC TANKS OR CESSPOOLS WITHIN NORTH SAN JUAN, NEVADA COUNTY

The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Valley Region, finds:

1. The Board adopted, on 15 June 1971, a Water Quality Control Plan (Interim), Basins 5A, B, C and D (hereafter "Interim Plan").

2. The Interim Plan contains areas where waste discharge from septic tanks and cesspools is prohibited.

3. On 14 December 1973 in the State Personnel Board Auditorium, 801 Capitol Mall, Sacramento, after due public notice, the regional board conducted a public hearing at which evidence was received concerning the discharge from failing septic tanks and cesspools in North San Juan as described in finding 6, below.

4. An April 1973 survey by the Nevada County Health Department within North San Juan as described in finding 6, below, indicated that 59% of the 68 individual sewage disposal systems surveyed were failing.

5. A July, 1973 survey of 15 water supply wells in North San Juan as described in finding 6, below, was conducted by the Nevada County Health Department in conjunction with the Department of Water Resources. Sixty percent of the wells surveyed did not meet Health Department standards.

6. The specific area of concern is a portion of Section 5, Township 17 North, Range 8 East, Mount Diablo Meridian as depicted on the attached map.

7. Continued installation of septic tanks or cesspools will increase the threat to public health and will further unreasonably impair water quality.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

1. The discharge of waste within North San Juan, Nevada County from leaching or percolation systems installed after 1 January 1974 is prohibited. An exemption to this prohibition may be granted after presentation by the proposed discharger of geologic and hydrologic evidence that leaching system disposal will not, individually or collectively, result in a pollution or nuisance.

2. The discharge of waste within North San Juan, Nevada County from leaching or percolation systems is prohibited after 1 July 1977.

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An exemption to this prohibition may be granted whenever the regional board finds that the continued operation of septic tanks, cesspools, or other means of disposal in a particular area will not, individually or collectively, directly or indirectly, adversely affect water quality.

3. Chapter VI of the Interim Plan is revised by the addition of this prohibition, upon approval of the State Water Resources Control Board.

I, JAMES A. ROBERTSON, Executive Officer, do hereby certify the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of an order adopted by the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Valley Region, on 14 December 1973.

JAMES A. ROBERTSON, Executive Officer

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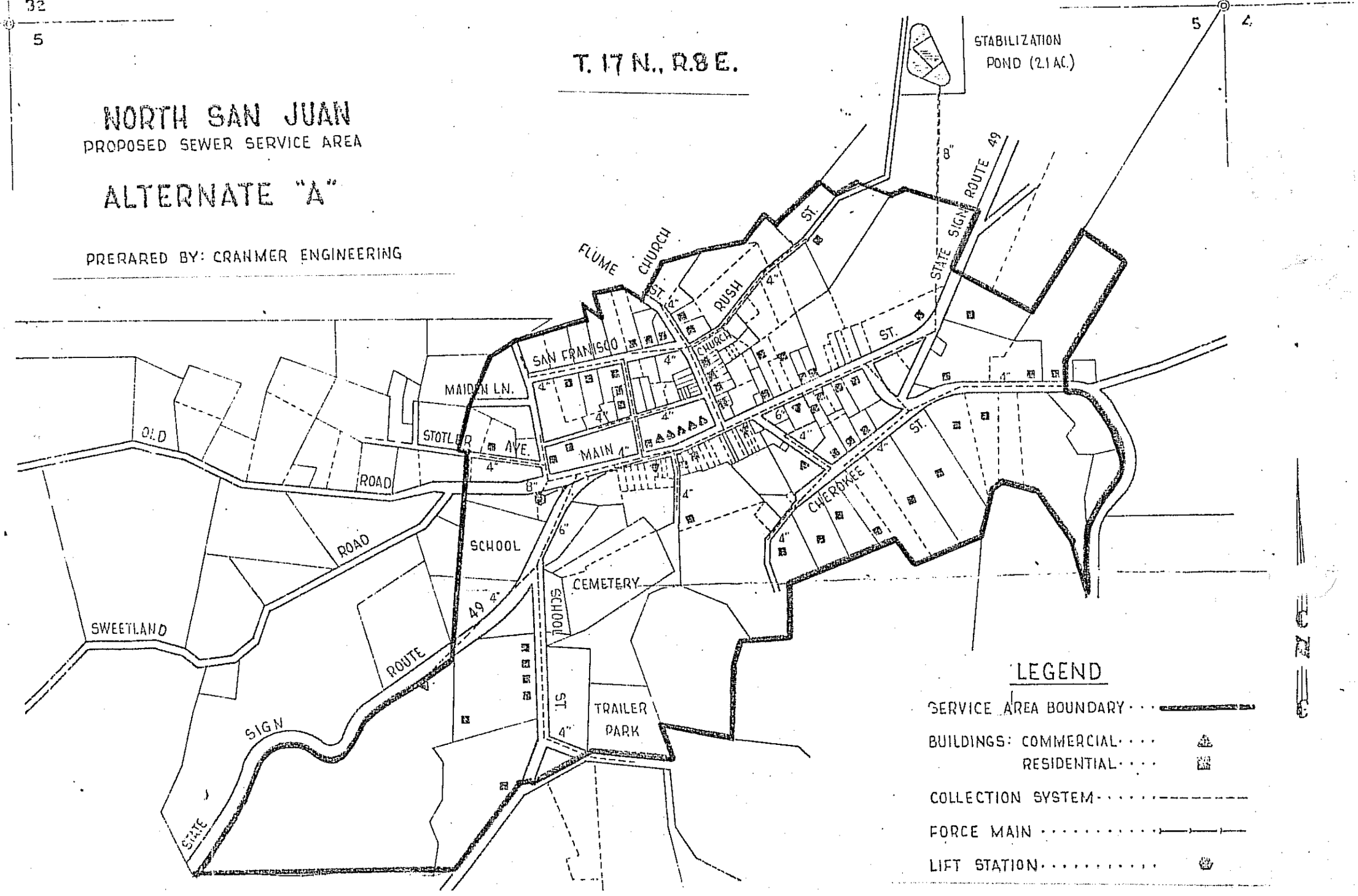
PROPOSED SEWER SERVICE AREA

ALTERNATE "A"

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