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# SOUTHWEST AREA TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA

Monday, November 7, 2016 3:00 p.m.

Town of Danville 510 La Gonda Way, Danville, CA

Any document provided to a majority of the members of the Southwest Area Transportation Committee (SWAT) regarding any item on this agenda will be made available for public inspection at the meeting and at the San Ramon Permit Center, 2401 Crow Canyon Road, San Ramon, CA during normal business hours.

#### 1. CONVENE MEETING/SELF INTRODUCTIONS

#### 2. PUBLIC COMMENT:

Members of the public are invited to address the Committee regarding any item that is not listed on the agenda. (*Please complete a speaker card in advance of the meeting and hand it to a member of the staff*)

#### 3. BOARD MEMBER COMMENT

#### 4. ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

#### 5. CONSENT CALENDAR

**5.A Approval of Minutes:** SWAT Minutes of September 12, 2016

End of Consent Calendar

#### 6. REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS

6.A Review and comment on Contra Costa County Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) - Tassajara Parks Project (Attachments – Action)

http://www.cccounty.us/4552/Tassajara-Parks

#### 7. WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS (Attachments – Action as determined necessary)

- Contra Costa County, Public Meeting Regarding Proposed Tassajara Valley Agricultural Enhancement Area MOU, November 9, 2016;
- Town of Moraga, Town Council, Public Hearing, August 24, 2016;
- Town of Moraga, Planning Commission, Public Meeting for Bella Vista (Rancho Laguna I) Subdivision Temporary Sales Office Trailer and Idea Home, August 29, 2016:
- SWAT Meeting Summary Report, September 12, 2016;

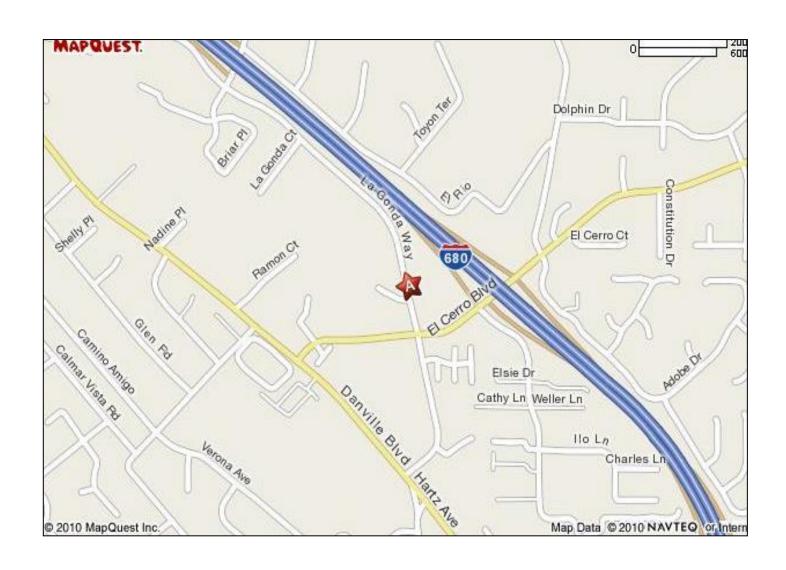
- Contra Costa Transportation Authority Meeting Summary, September 21, 2016;
- Lamorinda Program Management Committee Meeting, Cancellation Notice, October 3, 2016;
- Lamorinda Fee and Finance Authority Meeting, Cancellation Notice, October 3, 2016;
- TRANSPAC Meeting Summary, October 13, 2016;
- Contra Costa Transportation Authority Meeting Summary, October 19, 2016;
- Town of Moraga, Planning Commission, Public Meeting for the Moraga Town Center Homes project, a 36-unit attached single-family residential development, November 7, 2016.
- 8. DISCUSSION: Next Agenda
- 9. ADJOURNMENT to Monday, December 5, 2016 3:00 p.m. at Town of Danville

#### SOUTHWEST AREA TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

#### MEETING LOCATION MAP

#### \*PLEASE NOTE NEW MEETING LOCATION\*

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### **AGENDA ITEM 5.A**





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#### **SUMMARY MINUTES**

September 12, 2016 – 3:00 p.m. Town of Danville Office 510 La Gonda Way Danville, California

**Committee members present:** Karen Stepper, Town of Danville (Chair); Candace Andersen; Contra Costa County; Scott Perkins, City of San Ramon; Don Tatzin, City of Lafayette.

**Staff members present:** Lisa Bobadilla, City of San Ramon; Andy Dillard, Town of Danville; James Hinkamp, City of Lafayette; Robert Sarmiento, Contra Costa County; Larry Theis, City of Orinda; Darlene Amaral, City of San Ramon.

#### **Others present:**

- 1. **CONVENE MEETING/SELF INTRODUCTIONS:** Meeting called to order by Chair Stepper at 3:00 p.m.
- **2. PUBLIC COMMENT:** No public comment.
- **3. BOARD MEMBER COMMENT:** No board member comment.
- 4. **ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS:**
- 5. <u>CONSENT CALENDAR:</u>
  - **5.A** Approval of Minutes: SWAT Minutes of May 9, 2016
  - **5.B** Approval of Minutes: SWAT Minutes of May 17, 2016
  - **5.C** Approval of Minutes: SWAT Minutes of August 1, 2016

**ACTION: APPROVED** – Andersen/Tatzin/unanimous

End of Consent Calendar

#### 6. **REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS:**

6.A Review and Approve 511 Contra Costa FY 2016-17 SWAT Transportation Demand Management Programs and Budget

**ACTION: APPROVED** – Tatzin/Perkins/unanimous

## 6.B Review and Approve FY 16/17 SWAT Administrative Services MOU with the City of San Ramon

Lisa Bobadilla presented this item. Ms. Bobadilla informed SWAT members that on July 1, 2015, SWAT and the City of San Ramon entered into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for SWAT administrative services. The City of San Ramon has served as the SWAT Administrative Staff from July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016. The current MOU between SWAT and the City of San Ramon expired June 30, 2016.

Ms. Bobadilla stated that the City of San Ramon is prepared to provide SWAT administrative services effective July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017 and has prepared a Memorandum of Understanding for the Contact Service Year July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017. The MOU reflects San Ramon's desire to provide SWAT "Basic Administrative Services" in the amount of \$32,500.

**ACTION: APPROVED** – Tatzin/Perkins/unanimous

- **7. WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS:** The following written communication items were made available:
  - Contra Costa Transportation Authority Meeting Summary, July 20, 2016;
  - Better BART. Better Bay Area. Telephone and Online Town Hall Meetings;
  - BART to Antioch Train Preview, Wednesday, September 21, 2016.

**ACTION:** None

- 8. **DISCUSSION:** Next agenda
- **9. ADJOURNMENT:** to Monday, October 3, 2016 at 3:00pm, Town of Danville Offices

**ACTION:** Meeting adjourned by Chair Stepper at 3:10 p.m.

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# AGENDA ITEM 6.A

#### Tassajara Parks Project Description

The Project would consist of the construction of 125 single-family homes with substantial park, recreation and open space components in the Tassajara Valley area of unincorporated Contra Costa County.

The Project site is composed of two, noncontiguous, areas of land, which are referred to as the "Northern Site" and the "Southern Site" – together referred to as the project site. The Southern Site consists of approximately 616-acres and the Northern Site, which is situated less than one-half mile to the north is approximately 155-acres (refer to map below).

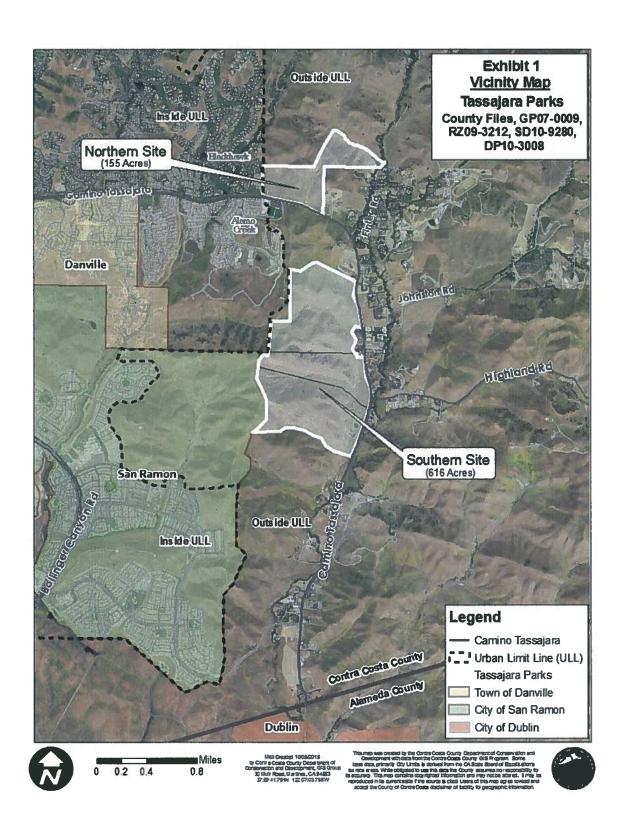
The Northern Site would consist of 125 single-family homes on 30-acres, with an adjacent detention basin. The remaining acreage of the Northern Site, containing two staging areas and a public trail, would be dedicated to the East Bay Regional Park District for parks / recreation / open space and agricultural use. The project also proposes modifications to the existing driveway into the adjacent Tassajara Hills Elementary School to improve circulation and parking at the school.

The Applicant proposes to convey almost all of the Southern Site (approximately 609-acres) to the East Bay Regional Park District, for parks / recreation / open space and agricultural use. The remaining 7-acres of the Southern Site would be offered for dedication to the San Ramon Valley Fire Protection District for their potential use.

In addition, the project proponent and the County are considering entering into a Development Agreement to vest the ability to build the Project and secure funding from the project proponent to support, develop, and implement policies, programs, and other actions intended to enhance agriculture and preserve open space, wetlands, parks, and other non-urban uses in the Tassajara Valley.

The Project would require a change to the Contra Costa County Urban Limit Line (ULL) to include the 30-acre residential development area, encompassing the Project's residential development on the Northern Site.

The Project involves the following entitlements: General Plan Amendment, Rezoning, Subdivision, Development Plan, Development Agreement, Tree removal and a change to the ULL (Pursuant to Chapter 82-1.018 of the Contra Costa County Ordinance Code).



#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

#### 1.1 - Purpose

This Recirculated Draft Environmental Impact Report (R-DEIR) is prepared in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) to evaluate the potential environmental impacts associated with the implementation of the Tassajara Parks Project (State Clearinghouse No. 2014052089). This document is prepared in conformance with CEQA (California Public Resources Code, Section 21000, et seq.) and the CEQA Guidelines (California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Section 15000, et seq.).

The purpose of this R-DEIR is to inform decision makers, representatives of affected and responsible agencies, the public, and other interested parties of the potential environmental effects that may result from implementation of the Project. This R-DEIR describes potential impacts relating to a wide variety of environmental issues and methods by which these impacts can be feasibly mitigated or avoided.

#### 1.2 - Project Summary

#### 1.2.1 - Project Location

The proposed Tassajara Parks Project (Project) is situated on approximately 771 acres of land on two sites located in the Tassajara Valley area of unincorporated Contra Costa County. The land on which the Project would be located is east of the City of San Ramon and Town of Danville and outside of and adjacent to the Contra Costa County Urban Limit Line (ULL).

Approximately 155 acres of the above-referenced land is commonly known as the Northern Site, while the remaining approximately 616 acres is commonly known as the Southern Site. The Northern Site and Southern Site are located less than 0.5 mile apart and are separated by intervening properties along Camino Tassajara Road. For purposes of this EIR, the Northern Site and the Southern Site are collectively referred to herein as the Project Site.

#### 1.2.2 - Project Description Summary

The Project would consist of 125 single-family residences on a semi-flat, 30-acre portion of the Northern Site (Residential Development Area). In addition, two trail staging areas and trail heads, a pedestrian/equestrian trail, detention basin, sewer pump station, grading, various frontage improvements to Camino Tassajara, and minor modifications to portions of a parking lot for the adjacent Tassajara Hills Elementary School (to help remedy existing school parking and circulation problems) would occur. The entirety of the Northern Site would be annexed into an existing Geologic Hazard Abatement District (GHAD) for the purpose of appropriately addressing geological hazards. Approximately 101 acres of the Northern Site (known as the Northern Preservation Area) would be subject to deed restrictions that would prohibit any future urban uses to be developed outside of the Residential Development Area (as defined below).

On the 616-acre Southern Site, seven acres have been contingently offered for dedication for potential future use by the San Ramon Valley Fire Protection District (SRVFPD) consistent with the provisions of the ULL. The remaining 609 acres would be permanently preserved for nonurban uses such as parks, recreation, open space, agriculture, grazing, scenic, wetland preservation and creation, and habitat mitigation. Section 2, Project Description provides a complete description of the Project.

#### 1.2.3 - Project Objectives

The objectives of the Project are to:

- Serve as a buffer and transition zone between existing urban and non-urban uses.
- Strengthen the ULL's fundamental purpose by establishing a "green wall" of permanent physical and legal constraints to additional development in the Tassajara Valley.
- Permanently protect and preserve agricultural, open space, scenic, wetlands, and other non-urban characteristics of the vast majority of the Project Site.
- Provide substantial and contiguous amounts of publicly accessible open space that would be
  protected and preserved in perpetuity for park, recreational, open space, scenic, agriculture,
  grazing, wetland preservation and creation and habitat mitigation purposes.
- Preserve opportunities for ongoing agricultural uses (i.e., grazing) on the Southern Site.
- Contribute to the supply of high-quality housing in the County that is close to existing transportation corridors and utility infrastructure, and that is compatible with existing adjacent land uses.
- Efficiently utilize the compact 30-acre development envelope (rather than traditional "ranchettes"), while ensuring consistency with surrounding residential uses and taking into account the topographical constraints of the Project Site.
- Minimize grading, as feasible, by developing all residential uses on the least topographically constrained portions of the Project Site.
- Provide circulation and parking improvements to Tassajara Hills Elementary School to help remedy existing deficiencies and enhance ease of use and safety of drop off and pick up of students.

#### 1.3 - Significant Unavoidable Adverse Impacts

The Project would result in the following significant unavoidable impacts:

Adopted Air Quality Plan Consistency: Given that the Project would not achieve the per
capita annual GHG emissions threshold of 4.6 MTCO₂e/SP/yr established by BAAQMD even
after the application of all feasible mitigation measures, the Project would result in a
significant and unavoidable impact with respect to conflicts with the GHG Reduction Goal of
BAAQMD's Clean Air Plan. Mitigation is proposed requiring the implementation of feasible

emissions reduction measures; however, these measures would not reduce emissions to less than significant levels. Therefore, this impact remains significant and unavoidable.

- Greenhouse Gas Operational Emission Threshold: The Project would exceed the Bay Area Air
  Quality Management District's threshold of 4.6 metric tons of carbon dioxide equivalents per
  service population for operational emissions for the reasons set forth in Section 3.3, Air
  Quality/Greenhouse Gas Emissions. Mitigation is proposed requiring the implementation of
  feasible emissions reduction measures; however, these measures would not reduce emissions
  to less than significant levels. Therefore, the significance after mitigation is significant and
  unavoidable.
- Existing Plus Project Freeway Operations: The Project would contribute vehicle trips to certain freeway segments that would operate at unacceptable LOS under Existing Plus Project Conditions as described in Section 3.12, Transportation and Traffic. Mitigation is proposed; however, it would not fully reduce Project impacts to a level of less than significant. Therefore, the residual significance is significant and unavoidable.
- Near-Term Plus Project Freeway Operations: The Project would contribute vehicle trips to
  certain freeway segments and one intersection that would operate at unacceptable LOS under
  Near-Term Plus Project Conditions as described in Section 3.12, Transportation and Traffic.
  Mitigation is proposed; however, it would not fully reduce Project impacts to a level of less
  than significant. Therefore, the residual significance is significant and unavoidable.
- Cumulative Plus Project Freeway Operations: The Project would contribute vehicle trips to
  certain freeway segments and intersections that would operate at unacceptable levels under
  Cumulative Plus Project Conditions as described in Section 3.12, Transportation and Traffic.
  Mitigation is proposed; however, it would not fully reduce Project impacts to a level of less
  than significant. Therefore, the residual significance is significant and unavoidable.
- Congestion Management Plan: The Project would contribute vehicle trips to certain
  Congestion Management Plan facilities that would operate at unacceptable levels as described
  in Section 3.12, Transportation and Traffic. Mitigation is proposed; however, it would not fully
  reduce Project impacts to a level of less than significant. Therefore, the residual significance is
  significant and unavoidable.

#### 1.4 - Summary of Project Alternatives

#### 1.4.1 - No Project Alternative

Under this alternative, the Project would not be implemented. The 125 residential units would not be constructed, and a ULL adjustment, rezone, or General Plan amendment would not be implemented. Land would not be offered to the EBRPD or SRVFPD and thus would not be permanently protected for various non-urban uses. The Project Site would stay in its existing condition and under existing uses for the foreseeable future. This alternative would not meet any of the Project objectives, but it is identified as the environmentally superior alternative.

#### 1.4.2 - Reduced Intensity Alternative

Under this alternative, only the southwestern portion of the Residential Development Area would be developed with a total of 65 units and associated improvements. Non-urban infrastructure (detention basin, grading, etc.) located adjacent but outside of the Residential Development Area would be similarly downsized. This alternative assumes that the staging areas and trail on the Northern Site would be constructed and would be conveyed to public entities similar to the Project, and that the Northern Preservation Area would be deed-restricted to prevent future urban use and allow this area to be used for habitat mitigation purposes. However, this alternative assumes that none of the land dedication for the Southern Site would occur. Similar to the Project, this alternative would also require a ULL adjustment, rezone, and General Plan Amendment. This alternative would not meet most of the Project objectives to the extent that the Project does, but this alternative would eliminate the significant and unavoidable impact related to operational greenhouse gas emissions and related air quality impact.

#### 1.5 - Areas of Controversy

Pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15123(b), a summary section must address areas of controversy known to the lead agency, including issues raised by agencies and the public, and it must also address issues to be resolved, including the choice among alternatives and whether or how to mitigate the significant effects.

A Notice of Preparation (NOP) for the Project was issued on May 28, 2014 and a Revised NOP was issued on June 11, 2014. The Revised NOP, describing the original concept for the Project and issues to be addressed in the EIR, was distributed to the State Clearinghouse, responsible agencies, and other interested parties for a 30-day public review period extending from June 11, 2014 through July 11, 2014. The NOP identified the potential for significant impacts on the environment related to the following topical areas:

- Aesthetics, Light and Glare
- Agricultural Resources
- Air Quality and Greenhouse Gas Emissions
- Biological Resources
- Cultural Resources
- Geology, Soils and Seismicity
- Hazards and Hazardous Materials

- Hydrology and Water Quality
- Land Use, Population, and Housing
- Noise
- Public Services and Recreation
- Transportation and Traffic
- Utilities and Service Systems

#### **Disagreement Among Experts**

This Draft EIR contains substantial evidence to support all the conclusions presented herein. As reflected in comments made in connection with the Draft EIR, there is disagreement among various parties regarding certain of these conclusions. Both the CEQA Guidelines and case law clearly provide the standards for treating disagreement among experts in the context of an EIR. Where evidence and opinions conflict on an issue concerning the environment, and the lead agency knows of these controversies in advance, the EIR and/or related findings must acknowledge the controversies, summarize the conflicting opinions of the experts, and include sufficient information

to allow the public and decision makers to make an informed judgment about the environmental consequences of the Project.

#### **Potentially Controversial Issues**

Below is a list of potentially controversial issues that may be raised during the public review and hearing process of this Draft EIR:

- Air Pollution
- Agricultural Resources
- Biological Resources
- Greenhouse Gas Emissions
- Land Use

- Light and Glare
- Public Services
- Transportation
- Visual Character
- Water Supply

It is also possible that evidence will be presented during the 45-day, statutory public review period for the R-DEIR that may create disagreement. Decision makers would consider this evidence during the public hearing process.

In rendering a decision on a project where there is disagreement among experts, the decision makers are not obligated to select the most environmentally preferable viewpoint. Decision makers are vested with the ability to choose whatever viewpoint is preferable and need not resolve a dispute among experts. In their proceedings, decision makers must consider comments received concerning the adequacy of the EIR and address any objections raised in these comments. However, decision makers are not obligated to follow any directives, recommendations, or suggestions presented in comments on the R-DEIR, and can certify the Final EIR without needing to resolve disagreements among experts.

#### 1.6 - Public Review of the Draft EIR

Upon completion of the R-DEIR, Contra Costa County filed an updated Notice of Completion (NOC) with the State Office of Planning and Research to begin the public review period on the R-DEIR (Public Resources Code, Section 21161). Concurrent with this updated NOC, this R-DEIR has been distributed to responsible and trustee agencies, other affected agencies, surrounding cities, and interested parties, as well as all parties requesting a copy of the R-DEIR in accordance with Public Resources Code 21092(b)(3). During the public review period, the R-DEIR, including the technical appendices, is available for review at the following locations:

## Contra Costa County Department of Conservation and Development

30 Muir Road

Martinez, CA 94553

Hours:

Monday through Thursday: 7:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

Friday: 7:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

#### **Danville Library**

400 Front Street Danville, CA 94526

Hours:

Monday through Thursday: 10 a.m.-8 p.m.

Friday and Saturday: 10 a.m.-6 p.m.

Sunday: 1 p.m.–5 p.m.

Office of District II Supervisor Candace Anderson

309 Diablo Road Danville, CA 94526

Hours:

Monday through Friday: 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

**Contra Costa County Library Dougherty Station Branch** 

17017 Bollinger Canyon Road San Ramon, CA 94582

Hours:

Monday through Thursday: 10 a.m.-8 p.m. Friday and Saturday: 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

Sunday: 1 p.m.-5 p.m.

**San Ramon Library** 

100 Montgomery Street San Ramon, CA 94583

Hours (limited during remodel):

Monday: 4 p.m.–8 p.m.

Tuesday and Wednesday: 1 p.m.-5 p.m.

Thursday: 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

Friday: closed

Saturday: 12 p.m.-5 p.m.

Sunday: closed

**Pleasant Hill Library** 

**Contra Costa County Main Branch** 

1750 Oak Park Boulevard Pleasant Hill, CA 94523

Hours:

Monday: 12 p.m.-8 p.m. Tuesday: 1 p.m.-8 p.m.

Wednesday and Thursday: 11 a.m.-6 p.m. Friday and Saturday: 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

Sunday: Closed

Under CEQA, when an EIR is substantially revised and the entire document is recirculated, the lead agency may require reviewers to submit new comments and need not respond to comments received during the earlier circulation period. However, in the interest of being fully responsive, the County has determined, in its discretion, that it will respond to: (1) the original comments provided in connection with the Draft EIR, and (2) comments received in connection with the R-DEIR. Accordingly, commenters may, but are not required to, rely on original comment letters submitted to the County. Agencies, organizations, and interested parties have the opportunity to comment on the Draft EIR during the 45-day public review period. Written comments on this Draft EIR should be addressed to:

> John Oborne, Senior Planner Ruben Hernandez, Senior Planner Contra Costa County Department of Conservation and Development 30 Muir Road Martinez, CA 94553 Phone: 925.674.7793

Email: john.oborne@dcd.cccounty.us Email: ruben.hernandez@dcdccounty.us

Submittal of electronic comments in Microsoft Word or Adobe PDF format is encouraged. Upon completion of the public review period, written responses to all significant environmental issues raised will be prepared and made available for review by the commenting agencies at least 10 days prior to the public hearing before the Board of Supervisors on the Project, at which the certification of the Final EIR will be considered. Comments received and the responses to comments will be included as part of the record for consideration by decision makers for the Project.

#### 1.7 - Executive Summary Matrix

Table ES-1 below summarizes the impacts, mitigation measures, and resulting level of significance after mitigation for the relevant environmental issue areas evaluated for the proposed Project. The table is intended to provide an overview; narrative discussions for the issue areas are included in the corresponding section of this EIR. Table ES-1 is included in the EIR as required by CEQA Guidelines Section 15123(b)(1).

#### **Table ES-1: Executive Summary Matrix**

Impacts	Mitigation Measures	Level of Significance After Mitigation
Section 3.1—Aesthetics, Light, and Glare		
<b>Impact AES-1:</b> The Project would not have a substantial adverse effect on a scenic vista.	No mitigation is necessary.	Less than significant impact.
<b>Impact AES-2:</b> The Project would not substantially degrade the existing visual character or quality of the site and its surroundings.	No mitigation is necessary.	Less than significant impact.
Impact AES-3: The Project would not create a new source of substantial light or glare which would adversely affect day or nighttime views in the area.	No mitigation is necessary.	Less than significant impact.
Section 3.2—Agricultural Resources		
Impact AG-1: The Project would not convert Prime Farmland, Unique Farmland, or Farmland of Statewide Importance to non-agricultural use.	No mitigation is necessary.	Less than significant impact.
<b>Impact AG-2:</b> The Project would not conflict with existing zoning for agricultural use, or a Williamson Act contract.	No mitigation is necessary.	Less than significant impact.
Impact AG-3: The Project would not result in other changes in the existing environment, which, due to their location or nature, could result in the conversion of Farmland, to non-agricultural use.	No mitigation is necessary.	Less than significant impact.
Section 3.3—Air Quality/Greenhouse Gas Emissions		
<b>Impact AIR-1:</b> The Project may conflict with or obstruct implementation of the applicable air quality plan.	Implement Mitigation Measures AIR-2, AIR-3, and AIR-6.	Significant and unavoidable impact.

#### Table ES-1 (cont.): Executive Summary Matrix

Impacts	Mitigation Measures	Level of Significance After Mitigation
Impact AIR-2: The Project may violate an air quality standard or contribute substantially to an existing or projected air quality violation.	<ul> <li>MM AIR-2: During construction, the following air pollution control measures (consistent with BAAQMD's Basic Construction Mitigation Measures) shall be implemented:</li> <li>All exposed surfaces (e.g., parking areas, staging areas, soil piles, graded areas, and unpaved access roads) shall be watered two times per day.</li> <li>All haul trucks transporting soil, sand, or other loose material off-site shall be covered</li> <li>All visible mud or dirt track-out onto adjacent public roads shall be removed using wet power vacuum street sweepers at least once per day. The use of dry power sweeping is prohibited.</li> <li>All vehicle speeds on unpaved roads and surfaces shall be limited to 15 miles per hour.</li> <li>Idling times shall be minimized either by shutting equipment off when not in use or reducing the maximum idling time to 5 minutes. Clear signage shall be provided for construction workers at all access points.</li> <li>All construction equipment shall be maintained and properly tuned in accordance with manufacturer's specifications. All equipment shall be checked by a certified vehicle emissions evaluator.</li> <li>All roadways, driveways, and sidewalks to be paved shall be completed as soon as possible. Building pads shall be laid as soon as possible after grading unless seeding or soil binders were used.</li> <li>A publicly visible sign shall be posted with the telephone number and person to contact at the County of Contra Costa regarding dust complaints. This person shall respond and take corrective action within 2 business days of a complaint or issue notification. The Bay Area Air Quality Management District's phone number shall also be visible to ensure compliance with applicable regulations.</li> </ul>	Less than significant impact.
Impact AIR-3: The Project may have the potential to result in a cumulatively considerable net increase of any criteria pollutant for which the Project region is nonattainment under an applicable federal or state ambient air quality standard (including releasing emissions which exceed quantitative thresholds for ozone precursors).	Implement MM AIR-2 and the following:  MM AIR-3: Off-road diesel-powered construction equipment greater than 50 horsepower shall meet United States Environmental Protection Agency Tier 4 off-road emissions standards. The Project applicant shall include in all construction contracts a clause reflecting this requirement.	Less than significant impact.

#### Table ES-1 (cont.): Executive Summary Matrix

Impacts	Mitigation Measures	Level of Significance After Mitigation
<b>Impact AIR-4:</b> The Project may have the potential to expose sensitive receptors to substantial pollutant concentrations.	Implement Mitigation Measure AIR-3.	Less than significant impact.
<b>Impact AIR-5:</b> The Project would not create objectionable odors affecting a substantial number of people.	No mitigation is necessary.	Less than significant impact.
Impact AIR-6: Implementation of the Project would generate direct and indirect greenhouse gas emissions that would result in a significant impact on the environment.	MM AIR-6: Prior to issuance of building permits, the following measures to reduce greenhouse gas emissions shall be implemented to the extent feasible:  a) Only natural gas hearths shall be installed throughout the development. b) Install solar or tankless water heaters throughout the development. c) Install energy-efficient ceiling/whole-house fans. d) Install on-site generation of renewable energy, such as solar to meet a minimum of 10 percent of the Project's total energy demand. e) Comply with California Green Building standards to reduce both indoor and outdoor water consumption.	Significant and unavoidable impact.
<b>Impact AIR-7:</b> Implementation of the Project would not conflict with any applicable plan, policy or regulation of an agency adopted to reduce the emissions of greenhouse gases.	No mitigation is necessary.	Less than significant impact.
Section 3.4—Biological Resources		
Impact BIO-1: The Project may have an adverse effect on special-status plant and wildlife species.	MM BIO-1a: Congdon's Tarplant and San Joaquin Spearscale. In order to offset impacts to Congdon's tarplant and San Joaquin spearscale, the Project applicant shall implement the following measures:  (a) Additional rare plant surveys for special-status plants shall be conducted the year prior to breaking ground on the Project Site, in compliance with USFWS (1996 and 2002), CDFW (2009), and CNPS (2001) published rare plant survey guidelines. Surveys will also evaluate for locally rare plants as documented by the East Bay Chapter of CNPS published: Rare, Unusual, and Significant Plants of Alameda and Contra Costa Counties. Data collected will include cover data for both Congdon's Tarplant and San Joaquin Spearscale (average numbers of plants per meter), and	Less than significant impact.

Table ES-1 (cont.): Executive Summary Matrix

estimated population count numbers. Project construction shall not be initiated until all special-status plant surveys are completed and mitigation, in fecessary, is implemented.  Upon completion of the additional rare plant surveys, a special-status plant survey report that includes the methods used, survey participants, and findings shall be prepared and submitted to the Contra Costa County Department of Conservation and Development, and CDFW.  (b) Populations of special-status species shall be avoided to the maximum degree practicable. If avoidance is not practicable, a Rare Plant Mitigation and Monitoring Plan shall be prapared and submitted to the County and CDFW within a minimum of 30 days prior to the start of ground-disturbing related activities.  (c) Prior to disturbing any area that supports Congdon's tarplant or San Joaquin spearscale, a qualified botanist shall collect the seeds or oversee the seed collection of both species by a quiffed seed collection crew. This seed shall be stored either by M&A, or by a native seed company, until construction is complete and the Special-Status Plant Mitigation Area(S), on the Southern Site, have been inflified, prepared and the collected seed can be distributed. The seeds of Congdon's tarplant and San Joaquin spearscale shall be collected seed shall remain in storage for subsequent, supplemental seeding if deemed necessary, to ensure successful replanting of Congdon's tarplant and San Joaquin spearscale shall be collected seed shall remain in storage for subsequent, supplemental seeding if deemed necessary, to ensure successful replanting of Congdon's tarplant and San Joaquin spearscale in the special-status plant mitigation areas. The remaining amount of collected seed of Congdon's tarplant and San Joaquin spearscale shall be planted at the appropriate time of year (late-fall months) in suitable areas within the Conservation Easement area on the Southern Site.  Congdon's tarplant and San Joaquin spearscale typically grow in valley and foothill grassland on alka
perennis), Mediterranean barley (Hordeum marinum ssp.

Table ES-1 (cont.): Executive Summary Matrix

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the special-status plant mitigation area. A Grazing Management Plan shall be prepared to allow for the continued benefit of special-status species. Appropriate grazing measures shall ensure that Congdon's tarplant and San Joaquin spearscale shall not be outcompeted by nonnative Mediterranean grass species.  (f) The applicant's qualified botanist shall conduct annual monitoring of the transplanted populations for a five year period as outlined in the Rare		(Lythrum hyssopifolia), yellow starthistle (Centaurea solstitialis), and bristly ox-tongue (Helminthotheca echioides). Common halophytic associates of Congdon's tarplant and San Joaquin spearscale include hastate orache (Atriplex prostrata), Boccone's sand spurrey (Spergularia bocconi), alkali mallow (Malvella leprosa), and saltgrass (Distichlis spicata) that co-occur with the special-status species on-site. According to the CNDDB (2015), Congdon's tarplant has often been found on the following soil series: Clear Lake Clay, Diablo Clay, Cropley Clay, and Conejo Clay Loam, whereas San Joaquin spearscale occurs on high clay, alkaline soils such as Pescadero Clay. Most occurrences of these species have occurred on flat areas, depressions, swales and low hills where high clay content soils are present (CNDDB 2015). The most suitable special-status plant mitigation area on the Southern Site occurs on Clear Lake Clay (0-2% slopes) and Pescadero Clay Loam (0-2% slopes).  (d) To preserve the seedbank of both common, special-status plant species, the upper 3 inches of topsoil or to the depth of the organic horizon (A Horizon) shall be scalped and temporarily stockpiled in uplands within the work area separately from excavated sub-soils. All other excavated material shall be separately stored in upland habitat areas. Upon completion of grading and recontouring, the organic horizon soil shall be redistributed as a topcoat over the disturbed areas that shall not be developed to disseminate the original seed bank.  (e) The designated special-status plant mitigation area shall be fenced to exclude humans and cattle during the first three years of establishment to ensure germination and seed set to continue the population. Once it has been determined that the population is successfully established, the fence may be removed so that seasonal grazing can be managed within the special-status plant mitigation area. A Grazing Management Plan shall be prepared to allow for the continued benefit of special-status species. Appropriate	

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	Plant Mitigation and Monitoring Plan, and shall prepare annual monitoring reports to document the success or failure the transplanting effort. These reports shall be submitted to Contra Costa County Department of Conservation and CDFW no later than December 1 of each monitoring year.	
	<ul> <li>MM BIO-1b: California Tiger Salamander. To ensure that impacts to approximately 58.47 acres of potential upland California tiger salamander over-summering habitat are offset, all permanent impacts shall be mitigated as follows:</li> <li>(a) The applicant proposes to preserve 175.4 acres of the Southern Site via a Conservation Easement as habitat mitigation (as approved by USFWS). This provides a 3:1 mitigation ratio to satisfy the resource agency</li> </ul>	
	mitigation requirements for impacts to potential upland California tiger salamander over-summering.  The Mitigation Land shall be protected in perpetuity via a recorded conservation easement or other appropriate legal mechanism that shall be managed for the benefit of the California tiger salamander and other special-status species. A Habitat Management Plan shall be	
	incorporated into the conservation easement deed as an exhibit and shall detail management and maintenance goals for the Mitigation Land. In addition, the Habitat Management Plan would detail the permanent funding source for the management of the Mitigation Lands and shall list the "Allowed and Prohibited Uses" of the conservation easement areas.	
	<ul> <li>(b) The Mitigation Land managed for California tiger salamander shall be contiguous with other dedicated open space areas to the west as shown in Figure 4 of the Biological Resources Analysis prepared by Monk &amp; Associates, dated January 5, 2016. The connectivity of the proposed Mitigation Land to other dedicated open space areas further increases the value of this dedicated Mitigation Land since this creates a protected corridor that includes several watersheds.</li> <li>(c) The applicant shall obtain an incidental take permit from USFWS and</li> </ul>	

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	requirements identified by USFWS and CDFW as necessary to protect the California tiger salamander. Any final mitigation compensation ratio established by the CDFW and USFWS for Project-related impacts to listed species shall also become Contra Costa County "Conditions of Approval." Such mitigation ratios or prescriptions shall be set forth in the Biological Opinion prepared by USFWS during the Section 7 consultation by and between the USACE and USFWS.  (d) Additional avoidance and minimization measures to ensure that no California tiger salamanders are adversely impacted by Project construction activities include:  • Education Program. An education program shall be conducted by a qualified biologist to explain the endangered species concerns to contractors working at the Project Site. This education/training program shall include a description of the California tiger salamander and its habitat, a review of the Endangered Species Act and the federal and state listing of the salamander, the general protection measures to be implemented to protect the salamander and minimize take, and a delineation of the limits of the work area.  • Biological Monitoring. A USFWS/CDFW-approved biologist shall be on-site during grading activities, or other earth-moving activities when amphibians could be unearthed. The biological monitor shall be available to stop work should any California tiger salamanders be observed in the Project Site work areas.	
	<ul> <li>MM BIO-1c: California Red-Legged Frog. The following mitigation measure shall be implemented to ensure that impacts to approximately 58.47 acres of potential California red-legged frog upland dispersal/migration habitat shall be appropriately offset. The mitigation shall include:</li> <li>(a) The applicant proposes to preserve 175.4 acres of the Southern Site via a Conservation Easement as habitat mitigation (as approved by USFWS). This provides a 3:1 mitigation ratio to satisfy the resource agency mitigation requirements for impacts to California red-legged frog upland dispersal/migration habitat.</li> <li>(b) The Mitigation Land shall be contiguous with other dedicated open</li> </ul>	

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Impacts	Mitigation Measures	Level of Significance After Mitigation
	space areas to the west, including the Alamo Creek Kawar Valley Open Space, and the Hidden Valley Open Space associated with the Windemere development (as shown in Figure 4 of the Biological Resources Analysis prepared by Monk & Associates, dated January 5, 2016) that shall provide connectivity of the proposed Mitigation Land to other dedicated open space areas that support California red-legged frog populations.  (c) This Mitigation Land shall be managed in perpetuity for the benefit of California red-legged frog. A Conservation Easement, or other appropriate legal mechanism, shall be recorded to ensure that the Mitigation Lands shall be protected in perpetuity. As required by MM BIO-1b, a Habitat Management Plan shall be incorporated into the easement deed as an exhibit and shall detail management and maintenance goals for the Mitigation Land, including recreational guidelines, livestock grazing guidelines, and other management efforts that shall benefit the California red-legged frog. In addition, the Habitat Management Plan would detail the funding source for the management of the Mitigation Land and shall list the "Allowed and Prohibited Uses" of the conservation easement area.  (d) The USFWS's Recovery Plan for the California Red-Legged Frog states that populations are "most likely to persist where multiple breeding areas are embedded within a matrix of habitats used for dispersal. The primary constituent elements for California red-legged frogs are aquatic and upland areas where suitable breeding and non-breeding habitat is interspersed throughout the landscape and is interconnected by unfragmented dispersal habitat" (USFWS 2002). Thus, the proposed Mitigation Land shall serve to protect and preserve important California red-legged frog populations in this area of Contra Costa County. It is important to note that the Project Site is located in the East San	
	Francisco Bay—Core Area #16—in the USFWS's Recovery Plan for the California Red-Legged Frog, and the Project Site represents a "priority	
	watershed" for focused recovery efforts. By preserving 175.4 acres of Mitigation Land that shall be managed for the benefit of this species, the	

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	Project shall satisfy some of the goals detailed in the USFWS's Recovery Plan for the California Red-Legged Frog and thereby contribute to the recovery of this species.  (e) Obtain an incidental take permit from USFWS prior to Project construction and implement any additional requirements identified by USFWS as necessary to protect the California red-legged frog.  (f) Additional avoidance and minimization measures to ensure that no California red-legged frogs are adversely impacted by Project construction activities include:  • Preconstruction Survey. In order to minimize and avoid any impacts to the federally listed threatened California red-legged frog, a qualified biologist shall conduct preconstruction surveys for this species within the areas of impact prior to the commencement of any work on the Project Site. Any California red-legged frogs that are found during these surveys shall be salvaged and relocated to California red-legged frog habitat within the Mitigation Land. No salvage and/or relocation shall occur until such time that the applicant receives incidental taking authorization from the USFWS. Proof of an incidental take permit (such as a Biological Opinion) from the USFWS shall be provided to Contra Costa County Department of Conservation and Development prior to any earth-moving on the Project Site.  • Exclusion Fencing. Wildlife exclusion fencing shall be installed around suitable aquatic habitats (Tassajara Creek) adjacent to proposed impacted areas to prevent the California red-legged frog from entering areas of impact. This fence shall be installed prior to the time any site grading or other construction-related activities are implemented. The fence shall remain in place during site grading or other construction-related activities. Wildlife exclusion fencing shall consist of a 4-foot wall of 0.25-inch welded mesh (not woven wire), galvanized wire. The fence shall be buried along the bottom margin 4 inches into the ground. The next approximate 3 feet of fencing above the ground shall be anch	

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	fence to ensure that the fence cannot be climbed.  Education Program. An education program shall be conducted by a qualified biologist to explain the endangered species concerns to contractors working at the Project Site. This education/training program shall include a description of the California red-legged frog and its habitat, a review of the Endangered Species Act and the federal listing of the frog, the general protection measures to be implemented to protect the frog and minimize take, and a delineation of the limits of the work area.  Biological Monitoring. A USFWS-approved biologist shall be on-site during grading activities, or other earth-moving activities when amphibians could be unearthed. The biological monitor or a trained construction monitor shall be responsible for ensuring that the wildlife exclusion fencing is not compromised, and shall be available to stop work should any California red-legged frogs be observed in the Project Site work areas. Each morning all exclusion fencing shall be patrolled by the biological monitor or a trained construction monitor to search for frogs that may be trapped against the fence.  Best Management Practices. All trash that might attract predators to the Project Site shall be properly contained and removed from the site and disposed of regularly. All construction activities are complete. All fueling and maintenance of equipment and vehicles, and staging areas shall be at least 20 meters from creek channels, wetlands, and tributaries. The construction personnel shall ensure that contamination of California red-legged frog habitat does not occur and shall have a plan to promptly address any accidental spills.  MM BIO-1d: San Joaquin Kit Fox. To ensure that impacts to approximately 58.47 acres of potential San Joaquin kit fox migration/dispersal habitat are offset, the following mitigation measures are proposed:  (a) The applicant proposes to preserve 175.4 acres of the Southern Site via a Conservation Easement as habitat mitigation (as approved by the USFWS). Th	

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	agency mitigation requirements for impacts to potential upland	
	migration/dispersal habitat for the San Joaquin kit fox. The Mitigation	
	Land that shall be preserved in perpetuity as part of the Project consists	
	of grassland habitat that includes numerous rodent burrows and	
	supports a potential prey base for the San Joaquin kit fox. Perpetual	
	preservation and management of the Mitigation Land for the benefit of	
	the San Joaquin kit fox shall help ensure that viable habitat is	
	maintained for this species. The Mitigation Land shall be contiguous	
	with other dedicated open space areas to the west, as shown in Figure 4	
	of the Biological Resources Analysis prepared by Monk & Associates,	
	dated January 5, 2016, further benefitting this species.	
	(b) Should the USFWS determine that the Project may adversely affect the	
	San Joaquin kit fox, the applicant shall comply with any additional	
	requirements determined to be necessary through a formal Section 7	
	consultation for potential impacts to potential San Joaquin kit fox	
	migration habitat.	
	(c) The following avoidance and minimization measures shall be	
	implemented to ensure that no San Joaquin kit fox are adversely	
	impacted by Project construction activities:	
	Education Program. An employee training program shall be	
	conducted before groundbreaking to explain the Federal Endangered	
	Species Act and any endangered species concerns to contractors	
	working in the area.	
	Preconstruction Survey. Qualified biologists shall conduct	
	preconstruction den surveys within the Ground Disturbance Areas no	
	more than 14 days prior to grading activities to ensure that potential	
	kit fox dens are not disrupted. If "potential dens" are located,	
	infrared camera stations shall be set up and maintained for 3	
	consecutive nights at den openings to determine the status of the	
	potential dens. If no kit fox is found to be using the den during this	
	timeframe, the grading activities can proceed unhindered. However,	
	if a kit fox is found using a den site within an area of influence of the	
	grading activities, the USFWS shall be promptly notified.	

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Impacts	Mitigation Measures	Level of Significance After Mitigation
	<ul> <li>Vehicle Restrictions. Prior to initiating grading activities, the vehicle and equipment access routes and work area shall be delineated using construction fencing. This shall minimize the Project-related disturbance to potential San Joaquin kit fox habitat to the maximum extent feasible. During the grading activities, all Project-related vehicle traffic shall be restricted to established roads or access routes, and shall observe a 20-mile-an-hour speed limit within the work areas, except on County roads and highways.</li> <li>Biological Monitoring. A biological monitor shall be present during all grading activities that could result in injury to San Joaquin kit fox. The biologist shall have the authority to halt construction in the impacted area(s), if necessary, to protect the kit fox. If San Joaquin kit fox are identified in the work area at any time, the USFWS and/or CDFW shall be notified and consulted before work activities resume.</li> <li>Best Management Practices. All trash items shall be removed from the Project Site's disturbance areas each day to reduce the potential for attracting San Joaquin kit fox predators. Contractors shall be prohibited from bringing firearms and pets to the job site. To prevent harm to San Joaquin kit fox, any steep-walled holes and/or trenches excavated for the proposed development Project shall be completely covered at the end of each workday, or escape ramps shall be provided to allow any entrapped animals to escape unharmed. All pipe sections stored on the Project Site overnight that are 4 inches in diameter or greater shall be inspected for San Joaquin kit fox before the pipes are moved or buried.</li> <li>Exclusion Fencing. Exclusion fencing shall be installed prior to the time any site grading or other construction-related activities are implemented. The fence would remain in place during site grading or other construction-related activities. Exclusion fencing shall be installed as described above.</li> </ul>	
	<b>MM BIO-1e:</b> Burrowing Owl. Based on the number of records for this species on-site and in the Project vicinity, the high density of ground squirrel burrows, and the habitats found on the Project Site, surveys for burrowing owls shall be	

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	conducted within any areas of the Project Site that will be disturbed by Project activities, including a 150-meter buffer. Burrowing owl surveys conducted according to the methodology prescribed by CDFW in their 2012 Staff Report on Burrowing Owl Mitigation (CDFG 2012) are more likely to be accepted by CDFW. The prescribed survey methodology is included in this document. The mitigation measures shall include:  (a) Breeding season surveys shall be conducted by a qualified biologist as per the CDFW Staff Report (CDFG 2012) for western burrowing owl and shall be conducted by a qualified biologist as per the CDFW Staff Report (CDFG 2012) the year when Project construction is proposed to begin and again 14 days prior to breaking ground. In accordance with the 2012 Staff Report, four site surveys need to be completed. One site survey shall occur between February 15 and April 15, and a minimum of three site surveys, at least three weeks apart, between April 15 and July 15 must be conducted. At least one of the three site surveys between April 15 and July 15 must occur after June 15.  Non-breeding season surveys (September 1 through January 31) may provide information about site occupancy but this should not substitute for breeding season surveys. Should non-breeding season surveys be warranted, four surveys spread evenly throughout the non-breeding season should occur according to the same protocol as breeding season surveys.  The Staff Report 2012 states that take avoidance (preconstruction) surveys should be conducted 14 days prior or less to initiating ground disturbance. As burrowing owls may recolonize a site after only a few days, time lapses between Project activities trigger subsequent take avoidance surveys, including but not limited to a final survey conducted within 24 hours prior to ground disturbance to ensure absence. If no owls are found during these surveys, no further surveys shall be necessary.  (b) Burrowing owl surveys should be conducted by walking suitable habitat in areas within 150 meters (appr	
	Areas. The 150-meter buffer zone is surveyed to identify burrows and owls outside of the Project Site that may be impacted by factors such as	

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	noise and vibration (heavy equipment) during Project construction.	
	Pedestrian survey transects should be spaced to allow 100 percent	
	visual coverage of the ground surface. The distance between transect	
	center lines should be 7 meters to 20 meters and should be reduced to	
	account for differences in terrain, vegetation density, and ground	
	surface visibility. To effectively survey large projects (100 acres or	
	larger), two or more surveyors should be used to walk adjacent	
	transects. Poor weather may affect the surveyor's ability to detect	
	burrowing owls thus, avoid conducting surveys when wind speed is	
	greater than 20 kilometers per hour and there is precipitation or dense	
	fog. To avoid impacts to owls from surveyors, owls and/or occupied	
	burrows should be avoided by a minimum of 50 meters (approximately	
	160 feet) wherever practical to avoid flushing occupied burrows.	
	Disturbance to occupied burrows should be avoided during all seasons.	
	(c) If burrowing owls are detected on the Project Site, the following	
	restricted activity dates and setback distances are recommended per	
	the Staff Report (CDFG 2012). From February 1 through October 15, low	
	disturbance and medium disturbance activities should have a 200 meter	
	buffer while high disturbance activities should have a 500 meter buffer	
	from occupied nests. From October 16 through March 31, low	
	disturbance activities should have a 50 meter buffer, medium	
	disturbance activities should have a 100 meter buffer, and high	
	disturbance activities should have a 500 meter buffer from occupied	
	nests. No earth-moving activities or other disturbance should occur	
	within the afore-mentioned buffer zones of occupied burrows. These	
	buffer zones should be fenced as well.	
	(d) The Mitigation Land that shall be preserved in perpetuity as part of the	
	proposed Project as mitigation for special-status species supports	
	grassland habitat that includes numerous rodent burrows that provide	
	nesting habitat, as well as foraging habitat for western burrowing owl.	
	The 175.4 acres of the Southern Site (Mitigation Land) shall more than	
	adequately offset any impacts to suitable burrowing owl habitat should	
	this species be found during surveys. The preservation of western	

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	burrowing owl habitat would fully compensate for impacts to potential western burrowing owl habitat resulting from the Project.	
	<ul> <li>MM BIO-1f: American Badger. To ensure that impacts to potential American badger migration and dispersal habitat are avoided or offset, the following mitigation measures shall be implemented: <ul> <li>(a) A preconstruction survey for the American badger shall be conducted within the Ground Disturbance Areas within 7 days prior to grading thereon. Surveys shall be conducted by a wildlife biologist with experience identifying badger burrows. Survey methods would include conducting parallel transects through the grassland community looking for badger burrows. Any badger burrow identified shall be mapped with a global positioning system (GPS) and shown on all Project development plans and grading plans.</li> <li>(b) If active badger burrows are identified within the Ground Disturbance Areas, they shall be avoided to the extent feasible. If avoidance is not feasible, a biologist should determine if the burrow is being used for breeding. If young are determined to be present, the burrow shall be avoided until young vacate the burrow. If the burrow is being used as refugia by the badger, as approved by CDFW, a one-way eviction door shall be installed to passively relocate the badger from its burrow. If it digs back into the burrow, as approved by CDFW, live traps shall be established at the burrow entrances to trap and remove badgers from the area of impact.</li> <li>(c) The Project includes the perpetual preservation of Mitigation Land that shall be preserved in perpetuity to mitigate impacts to California tiger salamander, California red-legged frog, and San Joaquin kit fox. Since the American badger has similar habitat requirements as the kit fox, the 175.4 acres of the Southern Site (Mitigation Land) would also fully mitigate any potential impacts to the American badger.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
	<b>MM BIO-1g:</b> Alameda Whipsnake. To ensure that any significant impacts to Alameda whipsnake are avoided, the following mitigation measures shall be implemented:	

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	<ul> <li>(a) Wildlife exclusion fencing shall be installed around the work areas to prevent snakes and other wildlife from entering the construction area. This fence would be installed prior to the time any site grading or other construction-related activities commenced. The fence would remain in place during site grading or other construction-related activities. Wildlife exclusion fencing shall consist of a 4-foot wall of quarter-inch mesh, galvanized, welded wire (i.e., hardware cloth—it cannot be woven wire). If the fence cannot be buried along the bottom edge in a 6-inch deep trench, then the bottom 6 inches of fence shall be landscaped stapled every 3 inches along the entire run of fence. Any voids in the soil beneath the fence shall be filled. The first 3 feet of fencing above the ground would be anchored to staking with wire. Finally, the top 6 inches of wire shall be bent over in a semi-circle towards the outside of the fence to ensure that the fence cannot be climbed.</li> <li>(b) Mitigation land set-aside as part of MM BIO-16 to mitigate impacts to California tiger salamander, California red-legged frog, and San Joaquin kit fox would also provide appropriate mitigation for impacts to potential Alameda whipsnake dispersal habitat.</li> <li>(c) The applicant shall obtain an incidental take permit from USFWS prior to Project construction and shall implement any additional requirements identified by USFWS as necessary to protect the Alameda whipsnake. By obtaining "incidental take" authorization from the USFWS, this impact would be mitigated to a less than significant level. As there is no expectation of direct take of Alameda whipsnake, the applicant will not seek incidental take coverage for this species.</li> <li>MM BIO-1h: Western Pond Turtle. To ensure that impacts to potential western pond turtle upland nesting habitat are avoided or offset, the following mitigation measures shall be implemented:  (a) Prior to commencement of any earth-moving activity on-site, all potential suitable western pond tur</li></ul>	

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	<ul> <li>(b) If nest sites are located adjacent to a proposed work area, the nest site plus a 50-foot buffer around the nest site shall be fenced to avoid impacts to the eggs or hatchlings which overwinter at the nest site. In addition, a clear path (buffer area) between the nest site and adjacent creek or ponds shall be left undisturbed and demarcated with orange construction fencing so that dispersing young turtles can migrate to the creek without being deterred/impacted by construction/earth-moving activity.</li> <li>(c) If nest(s) are located during surveys, moth balls (naphthalene) should be sprinkled around the vicinity of the nest (no closer than 10 feet) to mask human scent and discourage predators.</li> <li>(d) Construction at the nest site and within the 50-foot buffer area and path to the off-site waterway shall be delayed until the young leave the nest (this could be a period of months) or as otherwise advised and directed by CDFW, the agency responsible for overseeing the protection of the western pond turtle.</li> <li>(e) If CDFW allows translocation of any nestling pond turtles, this shall be completed by a qualified biologist under the direction of CDFW.</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>MM BIO-1i: Nesting Raptors. To ensure that impacts to nesting raptors are avoided or offset, the following mitigation measures shall be implemented: <ul> <li>(a) In order to avoid impacts to nesting raptors, nesting surveys shall be conducted by a qualified raptor biologist prior to commencing with earth-moving or construction work, if this work would commence between February 1 and August 31. The raptor nesting surveys shall include examination of all trees within 500 feet of the Ground Disturbance Areas on the Northern Site.</li> <li>(b) If nesting raptors are identified during the surveys, the dripline of the nest tree must be fenced with orange construction fencing (provided the tree is on the Project Site), and a 300-foot radius around the nest tree must be staked with orange construction fencing. If the tree is located off the Project Site, then the buffer shall be demarcated per above where the buffer occurs on the Project Site. The size of the buffer may be altered if a qualified raptor biologist conducts behavioral observations and determines the nesting raptors are well acclimated to</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	

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	disturbance. If this occurs, the raptor biologist shall prescribe a	
	modified buffer that allows sufficient room to prevent undue	
	disturbance/harassment to the nesting raptors. No construction or	
	earth-moving activity shall occur within the established buffer until it is	
	determined by a qualified raptor biologist that the young have fledged	
	(left the nest) and have attained sufficient flight skills to avoid Project	
	construction zones. This typically occurs by August 1. This date may be	
	earlier or later, and would have to be determined by a qualified raptor	
	biologist. If a qualified biologist is not hired to watch the nesting	
	raptors, then the buffers shall be maintained in place through the month	
	of August and work within the buffer can commence on September 1.	
	(c) Two surveys may be required to address both early and later nesting	
	raptor species. Great horned owls and American kestrels begin nesting	
	in February while northern harriers, red-tailed hawks, and red-	
	shouldered hawks begin nesting in early April. Thus, an early survey	
	should be conducted in February if earth-moving work or construction is	
	proposed to commence between February 1 and April 1. If construction	
	has not commenced by the end of March, a second nesting survey shall	
	be conducted in April/May, whichever month is within 30 days of the	
	commencement of construction. If construction would commence after	
	May but before September 1, then the second survey shall be	
	conducted within the 30-day period prior to site disturbance.	
	(d) If the early nesting survey identifies a large stick or other type of raptor	
	nest that appears inactive at the time of the survey, but there are	
	territorial raptors evident in the nest site vicinity, a protection buffer (as	
	described above) shall be established around the potential nesting tree	
	until the qualified raptor biologist determines that the nest is not being	
	used. In the absence of conclusive observations indicating the nest site	
	is not being used, the buffer shall remain in place until a second follow-	
	up nesting survey can be conducted to determine the status of the nest	
	and eliminate the possibility that the nest is utilized by a late-spring	
	nesting raptor (for example, red-tailed hawk). This second survey shall	
	be conducted even if construction has commenced. If during the follow-	

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up late season nesting survey a nesting raptor is identified utilizing the nest, the protection buffer shall remain until it is determined by a qualified raptor biologist that the young have fledged and have attained sufficient flight skills to avoid Project construction zones. If the nest remains inactive, the protection buffer can be removed and construction and earth-moving activities can proceed unrestrained.  MM BIO-1j: Nesting Birds. To ensure that impacts to nesting passerine birds and nesting special-status birds are avoided or offset, the following mitigation measures shall be implemented:  (a) A nesting survey shall be conducted within all Ground Disturbance Areas and a surrounding 500-foot buffer 15 days prior to commencing construction/grading or tree removal activities, if this work would commence between March 1 and September 1. If special-status birds (such as loggerhead shrike) are identified nesting on the Project Site, a 50-foot radius around the nest must be staked with bright orange construction fencing. No construction or earth-moving activity shall occur within this 50-foot buffer until it is determined by a qualified biologist that the young have fledged (that is, left the nest) and have attained sufficient flight skills to avoid Project construction zones. This typically occurs by August 1. This date may be earlier than August 1, or later, and would have to be determined by a qualified ornithologist.  (b) If common (not special-status) passerine (perching birds such as Anna's hummingbird [Calypte anna] and mourning dove [Zenaida macroura]) birds are identified nesting on the Project Site, grading or tree removal activities in the vicinity of the nest shall be postponed until it is determined by a qualified ornithologist that the young have fledged and have attained sufficient flight skills to leave the area. The size of the nest protective buffer required to ensure that the Project does not result in take of nesting birds, their eggs or young shall be determined by a qualified ornitholog	

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	MM BIO-1k: Special-Status Bats. In order to avoid impacts to roosting special-status bats, a biologist shall survey trees and buildings to be disturbed by Project activities, including those near the proposed Future Equestrian Staging Area 15 days prior to commencing with any removal or demolition. All bat surveys shall be conducted by a biologist with known experience surveying for bats. If no special-status bats are found during the surveys, then no further action would be required.	
	If special-status bat species are found on the Project Site, a determination shall be made if there are young bats present. If young are found roosting in any tree or building, impacts to the tree or building shall be avoided until the young have reached independence. A non-disturbance buffer fenced with orange construction fencing shall also be established around the maternity site. The size of the buffer zone shall be determined by a qualified bat biologist at the time of the surveys. If adults are found roosting in a tree or building on the Project Site but no maternal sites are found, then the adult bats can be flushed or a one-way eviction door can be placed over the tree cavity (or building access opening) prior to the time the tree or building in question would be removed or disturbed. No other mitigation compensation would be required.	
Impact BIO-2: The Project would not have a substantial adverse effect on any riparian habitat or other sensitive natural community identified in local or regional plans, policies, and regulations or by the California Department of Fish and Wildlife or U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.	No mitigation is necessary.	Less than significant impact.
Impact BIO-3: The Project may have a substantial adverse effect on federally protected wetlands as defined by Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (including, but not limited to, marsh, vernal pool, coastal, etc.) through direct removal, filling, hydrological interruption, or other means.	<ul> <li>MM BIO-3: Waters of the U.S. and State. To ensure that impacts to waters of the U.S. and State offset, the following mitigation measures will be implemented:</li> <li>(a) Obtain a Section 404 permit from the USACE and a Section 401 permit from the RWQCB prior to Project construction and implementing any additional mitigation measures identified by the USACE or RWQCB as part of these permits.</li> <li>(b) At a minimum, all impacts to waters of the U.S. and State would be</li> </ul>	Less than significant impact.

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	compensated for via creation and preservation of new waters of the U.S. and State at a minimum of 2:1 (creation to impact) ratio or as otherwise specified in permitting conditions imposed by the USACE and RWQCB. The applicant proposes to create at least 0.80 acre of new wetland to mitigate for Project-related impacts to waters of the U.S. and State.  (c) The applicant is proposing to compensate for impacts to waters of the U.S. and State by creating wetlands on the Southern Site.	
	It was determined that restoration of the pond that previously occurred on the Southern Site was not feasible, due to erosion and sedimentation.	
	A detailed Wetland Mitigation Plan will be prepared for the Project that shows the location, materials, and construction methods for creation of the wetlands. A qualified biological monitor will be present during wetland creation. The Wetland Mitigation Plan will include specific success criteria and performance standards to measure the success of the mitigation wetlands. The success of the mitigation wetlands will be based upon how well it replaces the functions and services provided by seasonal wetlands that will be impacted by the Project. To be judged successful, the created wetlands must support a self-sustaining hydrophytic plant community that includes representative wetland taxa (i.e., wetland plant genera and species). A 5-year monitoring program will be implemented to monitor the progress of the wetland mitigation toward the established goals. At the end of each monitoring year, an annual report will be submitted to the USACE, RWQCB, and other resource agencies. This report will document the hydrological and vegetative condition of the mitigation wetland(s) and will recommend remedial measures as necessary to correct deficiencies.	
	(d) When implemented, creation of the wetlands (or purchase of wetland mitigation bank credits) will fully compensate for impacts to regulated waters of the U.S. (and State) resulting from construction of the Project. The Mitigation Land on the Southern Site will be preserved in perpetuity via recordation of a conservation easement, or other appropriate legal mechanism, ensuring that the mitigation wetlands are located within the	

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	permanently preserved open space area that will be maintained in perpetuity.  (e) In lieu of creating waters of the U.S. and State on the Project Site, the applicant may also choose to purchase mitigation credits from a qualified wetland mitigation bank as approved in advance by the USACE and RWQCB. If mitigation credits are purchased, the mitigation ratio would a minimum of 1:1, or as otherwise specified in permitting conditions imposed by the USACE and RWQCB.  (f) Grading impacts associated with the creation of mitigation wetlands on the Southern Site shall also be minimized by the use of Best Management Practices to protect preserved wetlands and to ensure water quality in wetlands and other waters within the watershed. These practices can include installing orange construction fencing, hay or gravel waddles, and other protective measures. During Project construction, a biological monitor shall be on-site to monitor the integrity of preserved wetlands and other waters.	
Impact BIO-4: The Project would not substantially interfere with the movement of any native resident or migratory fish or wildlife species or with established native resident or migratory wildlife corridors, or impede the use of wildlife nursery sites.	No mitigation is necessary.	Less than significant impact.
<b>Impact BIO-5:</b> The Project would not conflict with local policies or ordinances protecting biological resources.	No mitigation is necessary.	Less than significant impact.
Impact BIO-6: The Project would not conflict with the provisions of an adopted Habitat Conservation Plan, Natural Community Conservation Plan, or other approved local, regional, or state habitat conservation plan.	No mitigation is necessary.	No impact.

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Section 3.5—Cultural Resources		
Impact CUL-1: The Project may result in substantial adverse change in the significance of previously undiscovered historical resources as defined in Section 15064.5.	MM CUL-1: If a potentially significant cultural resource is encountered during Project construction or related activities, all activities within a 50-foot radius of the find shall cease until a qualified archaeologist evaluates the find for its significance in terms of CEQA criteria. The applicant shall include a standard inadvertent discovery clause in every construction contract to inform contractors of this requirement. The archaeologist shall make recommendations concerning appropriate measures that will be implemented to protect the resource, including but not limited to excavation and evaluation of the finds in accordance with Section 15064.5 of the CEQA Guidelines. Cultural resources could consist of, but are not limited to, stone, wood, or shell artifacts, structural remains, privies, or historic dumpsites. Any previously undiscovered resources found during construction within the Project Site shall be recorded on appropriate Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR) 523 forms.	Less than significant impact.
<b>Impact CUL-2:</b> The Project may result in substantial adverse change in the significance of a previously undiscovered archaeological resource pursuant to Section 15064.5.	Implement Mitigation Measure CUL-1.	Less than significant impact.
Impact CUL-3: The Project may result directly or indirectly in the destruction of a unique paleontological resource or site or unique geologic feature.	MM CUL-3: A qualified paleontological resource monitor shall be on-site during all grading and excavation activities. In the event that fossils or fossil-bearing deposits are discovered during grading or construction of the Project, excavations within 50 feet of the find shall be temporarily halted until the discovery is examined by a qualified paleontologist, in accordance with the applicable Society of Vertebrate Paleontology standards (Standard Procedures for the Assessment and Mitigation of adverse Impacts to Paleontological Resources, Society of Vertebrate Paleontology, 2010), and assessed for significance under CEQA. The applicant shall include a standard inadvertent discovery clause in every construction contract to inform contractors of this requirement. If the find is determined to be significant and if avoidance is not feasible, the paleontologist shall design and carry out a data recovery plan consistent with the Society of Vertebrate Paleontology standards.	Less than significant impact.

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Impact CUL-4: The Project may result in the disturbance of human remains, including those interred outside of formal cemeteries.	MM CUL-4: In the event of the accidental discovery or recognition of any human remains, CEQA Guidelines Section 15064.5; Health and Safety Code Section 7050.5; Public Resources Code Section 5097.94 and Section 5097.98 must be followed. In addition, if during the course of grading or construction there is an inadvertent discovery of any human remains, the following steps shall be taken:  1. There shall be no further excavation or disturbance within 50 feet of the find until the County Coroner is contacted to determine if the remains are Native American and if an investigation of the cause of death is required. If the Coroner determines the remains to be Native American, the coroner shall contact the Native American Heritage Commission (NAHC) within 24 hours, and the NAHC shall identify the person or persons it believes to be the "most likely descendant" (MLD) of the deceased Native American. The MLD may make recommendations to the landowner or the person responsible for the excavation work within 48 hours, for means of treating or disposing of, with appropriate dignity, the human remains and any associated grave goods as provided in PRC Section 5097.98.  2. Where the following conditions occur, the landowner or his authorized representative shall rebury the Native American human remains and associated grave goods with appropriate dignity either in accordance with the recommendations of the most likely descendant or on the Project Site in a location not subject to further subsurface disturbance:  - The NAHC is unable to identify a most likely descendent or the most likely descendant identified by the commission.  - The descendant identified fails to make a recommendation.  - The landowner or his authorized representative rejects the recommendation of the descendant, and mediation by the NAHC fails to provide measures acceptable to the landowner.	Less than significant impact.

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Section 3.6—Geology, Soils, and Seismicity		
Impact GEO-1: The Project may expose people or structures to potential substantial adverse effects involving seismic hazards.	MM GEO-1: Prior to issuance of a grading permit, the Project Applicant shall submit a design-level Geotechnical Investigation to Contra Costa County for review and approval of the County Peer Review Geologist. The investigation shall be prepared by a qualified engineer and identify grading and building practices necessary to achieve compliance with the latest adopted edition of the California Building Standards Code's geologic, soils, and seismic requirements. The investigation shall address but not be limited to necessary remediation of all on-site landslides and potential landslide areas. The measures identified in the approved report shall be incorporated into the Project plans.	Less than significant impact.
<b>Impact GEO-2:</b> The Project may result in substantial soil erosion or the loss of topsoil.	Implement Mitigation Measure GEO-1.	Less than significant impact.
Impact GEO-3: The Project may be located on an unstable geologic unit or soil.	Implement Mitigation Measure GEO-1.	Less than significant impact.
<b>Impact GEO-4:</b> The Project may be exposed to hazards associated with expansive soils.	Implement Mitigation Measure GEO-1.	Less than significant impact.
Section 3.7—Hazards and Hazardous Materials		
Impact HAZ-1: The Project may create a significant hazard to the public or the environment through the routine transport, use, or disposal of hazardous materials.	MM HAZ-1: Prior to the demolition of any on-site structure constructed prior to 1978 or suspected to contain asbestos or lead containing materials, the property owner or applicant shall retain a qualified contractor to determine the presence or absence of asbestos-containing materials or lead-based paint. If either material is found to be present, the property owner or applicant shall retain a certified hazardous waste contractor to properly remove and dispose of all materials containing asbestos or lead paint in accordance with applicable federal and state laws and regulations. The property owner or applicant shall submit documentation to Contra Costa County demonstrating that this contractor has been retained as part of the demolition permit application. Upon completion of removal and disposal of materials, the Project applicant shall provide documentation to Contra Costa County	Less than significant impact.

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	demonstrating that these activities were successfully completed.	
Impact HAZ-2: The Project would not create a significant hazard to the public or the environment through reasonably foreseeable upset and accident conditions involving the hazardous materials into the environment.	No mitigation is necessary.	Less than significant impact.
Impact HAZ-3: The Project would not emit hazardous emissions or handle hazardous or acutely hazardous materials, substances, or waste within one-quarter mile of an existing or proposed school.	No mitigation is necessary.	Less than significant impact.
Impact HAZ-4: The Project would not be located on a site which is included on a list of hazardous materials sites compiled pursuant to Government Code Section 65962.5 and, as a result, would not create a significant hazard to the public or the environment.	No mitigation is necessary.	Less than significant impact.
Impact HAZ-5: The Project would not expose people or structures to a significant risk of loss, injury or death involving wildland fires, including where wildlands are adjacent to urbanized areas or where residences are intermixed with wildlands.	No mitigation is necessary.	Less than significant impact.
Section 3.8—Hydrology and Water Quality		
Impact HYD-1: Construction and operation activities associated with the Project may have the potential to degrade surface water quality in downstream water bodies.	MM HYD-1: Prior to issuance of any grading permits for the Project, the Contra Costa County Department of Conservation and Development shall verify that the applicant has prepared a Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) in accordance with the requirements of the statewide Construction General Permit. The SWPPP shall be designed to address the following objectives: (1) all pollutants and their sources, including sources of sediment associated with construction, construction site erosion, and all other activities associated with construction activity are controlled; (2) where not otherwise required to be under a Regional Water Quality Control Board permit, all non-stormwater discharges are identified and either eliminated, controlled, or treated; (3) site Best Management Practices	Less than significant impact.

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	(BMPs) are effective and result in the reduction or elimination of pollutants in stormwater discharges and authorized non-stormwater discharges from construction activity; and (4) stabilization BMPs installed to reduce or eliminate pollutants after construction are completed. The SWPPP shall be prepared by a qualified SWPPP developer. The SWPPP shall include the minimum BMPs required for the identified Risk Level. BMP implementation shall be consistent with the BMP requirements in the then most recent version of the California Stormwater Quality Association Stormwater Best Management Handbook-Construction or the Caltrans Stormwater Quality Handbook Construction Site BMPs Manual.	
Impact HYD-2: The Project would not deplete groundwater supplies or interfere substantially with groundwater recharge.	No mitigation is necessary.	Less than significant impact.
Impact HYD-3: The Project would not alter the existing drainage pattern in a manner which would result in erosion or create or contribute runoff water that would exceed the capacity of existing or planned stormwater drainage systems.	No mitigation is necessary.	Less than significant impact.
Impact HYD-4: The Project would not alter the existing drainage pattern in a manner that would result in flooding on- or off-site and would not locate structures within a 100-year flood hazard area.	No mitigation is necessary.	Less than significant impact.
Section 3.9—Land Use, Population and Housing		
Impact LU-1: The Project would not conflict with any applicable provisions of the Contra Costa County General Plan adopted for the purposes of avoiding or mitigating an environmental effect.	No mitigation is necessary.	Less than significant impact.
Impact LU-2: The Project would not conflict with any applicable provision of the Contra Costa County Ordinance Code adopted for the purposes of avoiding or mitigating an environmental effect.	No mitigation is necessary.	Less than significant impact.

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Impact LU-3: The Project would not conflict with any applicable Local Agency Formation Commission policies adopted for the purposes of avoiding or mitigating an environmental effect.	No mitigation is necessary.	Less than significant impact.
Impact LU-4: The Project would not conflict with any applicable East Bay Municipal Utility District annexation policies adopted for the purposes of avoiding or mitigating an environmental effect.	Implement Mitigation Measure USS-1.	Less than significant impact.
Impact LU-5: The Project would not conflict with the provisions of an adopted Habitat Conservation Plan, Natural Community Conservation Plan, or other approved local, regional, or state habitat conservation plan.	No mitigation is necessary.	No impact.
<b>Impact LU-6:</b> The Project would not induce substantial population growth.	No mitigation is necessary.	Less than significant impact.
Section 3.10—Noise		
Impact NOI-1: Implementation of the Project may result in exposure of persons to or generation of noise levels in excess of standards established in the local general plan or noise ordinance, or applicable standards of other agencies.	<ul> <li>MM NOI-1a: To reduce potential construction noise impacts, the following multi-part mitigation measure shall be implemented for the Project:</li> <li>The construction contractor shall ensure that all internal combustion engine-driven equipment are equipped with mufflers that are in good condition and appropriate for the equipment.</li> <li>The construction contractor shall locate stationary noise-generating equipment as far as feasible from sensitive receptors when sensitive receptors adjoin or are near a construction disturbance area. In addition, the Project contractor shall place such stationary construction equipment so that emitted noise is directed away from sensitive receptors nearest the Project Site.</li> <li>The construction contractor shall prohibit unnecessary idling of internal combustion engines.</li> <li>The construction contractor shall locate, to the maximum extent practical, on-site equipment in staging areas to maximize the distance between construction-related noise sources and noise-sensitive receptors</li> </ul>	Less than significant impact.

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	nearest the Project Site during all Project construction.  All construction activities associated with implementation of the Project that will occur within the jurisdiction of Contra Costa County shall be limited to the hours of 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, and shall be prohibited on state and federal holidays on the calendar dates that these holidays are observed by the state or federal government as listed below:  New Year's Day (state and federal)  Birthday of Martin Luther King, Jr. (state and federal)  Washington's Birthday/Presidents' Day (state and federal)  Lincoln's Birthday (state)  Cesar Chavez Day (state)  Memorial Day (state and federal)  Independence Day (state and federal)  Labor Day (state and federal)  Veterans Day (state and federal)  Thanksgiving Day (state and federal)  Day after Thanksgiving (state)  Christmas Day (state and federal)	
	For specific details on the actual day the state and federal holidays occur, please visit the following websites:	
	Federal holidays: http://www.opm.gov/Operating_Status_Schedules/fedhol/2011.asp	
	California holidays: http://www.ftb.ca.gov/aboutFTB/holidays.shtml	
	<ul> <li>At least 10 days prior to the issuance of grading permits signs shall be posted at the construction site that include permitted construction days and hours, a day and evening contact number for the job site, and a contact number for the on-site complaint and enforcement manager in the event of problems.</li> </ul>	

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	<ul> <li>An on-site complaint and enforcement manager shall be available to respond to and track complaints. The manager will be responsible for responding to any complaints regarding construction noise and or dust and for coordinating with the adjacent land uses. The manager will determine the cause of any complaints and coordinate with the construction team to implement effective measures (considered technically and economically feasible) warranted for correcting the problem. Such measures could include but would not be limited to relocating stationary equipment, the use of sound blankets, the placement of temporary sound barriers around construction staging areas and/or continued coordination with the complaintant regarding timing and duration of noise. The telephone number of the coordinator shall be posted at the construction site and provided to neighbors in a notification letter. The manager will be trained to use a sound level meter and should be available during all construction hours to respond to complaints.</li> <li>At least one week prior to commencement of grading or construction activities for each major phase of construction the applicant shall prepare a notice that grading or construction work will commence. The notice shall be posted at the site and mailed to all the owners and occupants of property within 300 feet of the exterior boundary of the Project Site as shown on the latest equalized assessment roll. The notice shall include a list of contact persons with name, title, phone number and area of responsibility. The person responsible for maintaining the list shall be included. The list shall be kept current at all times and shall consist of persons with authority to indicate and implement corrective action in their area of responsibility. The names of individuals responsible for noise and litter control, tree protection, construction traffic and vehicles, erosion control, and the 24-hour emergency number shall be expressly identified in the notice. The notice shall be re-issued wi</li></ul>	

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	ventilation, such as an air conditioning system, in order to ensure that windows can remain closed for a prolonged period of time. The building plans approved by the County shall reflect this requirement.	
<b>Impact NOI-2:</b> The Project would not expose persons to or generation of excessive groundborne vibration or groundborne noise levels.	No mitigation is necessary.	Less than significant impact.
<b>Impact NOI-3:</b> The Project would not result in a substantial permanent increase in ambient noise levels in the Project vicinity above levels existing without the Project.	No mitigation is necessary.	Less than significant impact.
Impact NOI-4: The Project may result in a substantial temporary or periodic increase in ambient noise levels in the Project vicinity above levels existing without the Project.	Implement Mitigation Measure NOI-1.	Less than significant impact.
Section 3.11—Public Services and Recreation		
Impact PSR-1: The Project would not result in substantial adverse physical impacts associated with the provision of new or physically altered fire facilities, need for new or physically altered fire facilities, the construction of which could cause significant environmental impacts, in order to maintain acceptable service ratios, response times or other performance objectives for Fire Protection.	No mitigation is necessary.	Less than significant impact.
Impact PSR-2: The Project would not result in substantial adverse physical impacts associated with the provision of new or physically altered law enforcement facilities, need for new or physically altered law enforcement facilities, the construction of which could cause significant environmental impacts, in order to maintain acceptable service ratios, response times or other performance objectives for law enforcement.	No mitigation is necessary.	Less than significant impact.

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Impact PSR-3: The Project would not result in substantial adverse physical impacts associated with the provision of new or physically altered school facilities, need for new or physically altered school facilities, the construction of which could cause significant environmental impacts, in order to maintain acceptable service ratios, or other performance objectives for school services.	No mitigation is necessary.	Less than significant impact.
Impact PSR-4: The Project would not result in substantial adverse physical impacts associated with the provision of new or physically altered governmental facilities, need for new or physically altered governmental facilities, the construction of which could cause significant environmental impacts, in order to maintain acceptable service ratios, response times or other performance objectives for other public facilities.	No mitigation is necessary.	Less than significant impact.
Impact PSR-5: The Project would not increase the use of existing neighborhood and regional parks or other recreational facilities such that substantial physical deterioration of the facility would occur or be accelerated.	No mitigation is necessary.	Less than significant impact.
Impact PSR-6: The Project would not include recreational facilities or require the construction or expansion of recreational facilities, which might have an adverse physical effect on the environment.	No mitigation is necessary.	Less than significant impact.
Section 3.12—Transportation and Traffic		'
<b>Impact TRANS-1:</b> The Project would generate new trips that would contribute to unacceptable traffic operations under Existing Plus Project conditions.	MM TRANS-1: Prior to the issuance of building permits, the Project applicant shall pay the applicable Tri-Valley Transportation Development (TVTD) Fees, which shall serve as partial mitigation for the impact to freeway segments. The fees contribute to the construction of planned freeway improvements, including HOV lanes, auxiliary lanes, interchange improvements as well as other regional transportation improvements,	Significant unavoidable impact.

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	including a contribution toward the new West Dublin BART Station. Impact fees are due at time of receipt of building permits. Payment of these fees will <b>partially mitigate</b> the incremental impact.	
Impact TRANS-2: The Project would generate new trips that would contribute to unacceptable traffic operations under Near-Term Plus Project conditions.	MM TRANS-2: Prior to the issuance of the first building permit, the Project applicant shall fund the optimization of the signal timing at the intersection of Camino Tassajara and Oak Gate Drive-Lawrence Road (Intersection #5). This will require signal coordination with Intersection #4: Camino Tassajara and Hansen Lane-Diablo Vista Middle School Driveway. Both intersections are under the jurisdiction of the Town of Danville. Modifications to signal timing shall be reviewed by and meet the approval of the Town of Danville and Contra Costa Public Works Department prior to implementation. Updated timing and signal coordination shall be physically implemented prior to the issuance of the building permit for the 123 <sup>rd</sup> on-site residential unit.	Significant unavoidable impact.
Impact TRANS-3: The Project would generate new trips that would contribute to unacceptable traffic operations under Cumulative Plus Project conditions.	Implement Mitigation Measure TRANS-1 and:  MM TRANS-3a: Prior to the issuance of the first building permit, the Project applicant shall fund optimization of the signal timing at the intersection of Camino Tassajara/Hansen Lane-Diablo Vista Middle School Driveway (Intersection #4). This will require signal coordination with Intersection #5: Camino Tassajara and Oak Gate Drive-Lawrence Road. Both intersections are under the jurisdiction of the Town of Danville. Modifications to signal timing shall be reviewed by and meet the approval of the Town of Danville and Contra Costa Public Works Department prior to implementation.	Significant unavoidable impact.
	MM TRANS-3b: Prior to the issuance of the first building permit, the Project applicant shall fund optimization of the signal timing at the intersection of Camino Tassajara and Oak Gate Drive-Lawrence Road (Intersection #5). This will require signal coordination with Intersection #4: Camino Tassajara and Hansen Lane-Diablo Vista Middle School Driveway. Both intersections are under the jurisdiction of the Town of Danville. Modifications to signal timing shall be reviewed by and meet the approval of the Town of Danville and Contra Costa Public Works Department prior to implementation.  MM TRANS-3c: Prior to the issuance of the first building permit, the Project	

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	applicant shall fund optimization of the intersection signal timing at the intersection of Camino Tassajara and Buckingham Drive-Rassani Drive (Intersection #8). This intersection is under the jurisdiction of the Town of Danville. Modifications to signal timing shall be reviewed by and meet the approval of the Town of Danville and Contra Costa Public Works Department prior to implementation.	
	MM TRANS-3d: Prior to the issuance of the first building permit, the Project applicant shall fund optimization of the intersection signal timing at the intersection of Camino Tassajara and Tassajara Ranch Drive (Intersection #10). This intersection is under the jurisdiction of the Town of Danville. Modifications to signal timing shall be reviewed by and meet the approval of the Town of Danville and Contra Costa Public Works Department prior to implementation.	
	<b>MM TRANS-3e:</b> Prior to the opening of the Future Equestrian Staging Area, the Project applicant shall add a 50-foot southbound right-turn pocket to the intersection of Camino Tassajara and Finley Road (Intersection #17).	
Impact TRANS-4: The Project would not substantially increase traffic volumes and cause transportation facilities to degrade below acceptable standard levels at the Tassajara Hills Elementary School driveway.	No mitigation is necessary.	Less than significant impact.
Impact TRANS-5: The Project would conflict with an applicable congestion management program's level of service standards established by the County congestion management agency for designated roads or highways.	Implement Mitigation Measure TRANS-1 through Mitigation Measure TRANS-3e.	Significant unavoidable impact.
<b>Impact TRANS-6:</b> The Project may substantially increase hazards due to a design feature (e.g., sharp curves or dangerous intersections) or incompatible uses (e.g., farm equipment).	<b>MM TRANS-6a:</b> The Project applicant shall construct all on-site internal intersections to be side-street stop-controlled or yield controlled intersections at the minor approaches.	Less than significant impact.
	<b>MM TRANS-6b:</b> Prior to implementation of any improvements at the Future Equestrian Staging Area, the Project applicant shall clear brush and any obstructions that limit the sight distance within the horizontal radius of	

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	Finley Road to ensure that adequate sight distance (i.e., ≥ 187 feet) is provided in the northerly direction from the Future Equestrian Staging Area's access driveway.		
<b>Impact TRANS-7:</b> The Project would not result in inadequate emergency access.	No mitigation is necessary.	Less than significant impact.	
Impact TRANS-8: The Project would not conflict with adopted policies, plans or programs supporting alternative transportation (e.g., bus turnouts, bicycle racks).	No mitigation is necessary.	Less than significant impact.	
3.13—Utilities and Service Systems	3.13—Utilities and Service Systems		
Impact USS-1: The Project may result in a need for additional water supplies, additional treatment capacity, or additional distribution facilities beyond what has been planned for.	<b>MM USS-1:</b> Prior to the recordation of the Final Map, the Project applicant must demonstrate to the DCD that all required approvals are obtained to implement provision of water to the Project Site via the selected water supply.	Less than significant impact.	
Impact USS-2: The Project would not require or result in the construction of wastewater treatment facilities or expansion of off-site existing facilities, the construction of which could cause significant environmental effects.	No mitigation is necessary.	Less than significant impact.	
<b>Impact USS-3:</b> The Project would not result in a need for new or expanded off-site storm drainage facilities.	No mitigation is necessary.	Less than significant impact.	
Impact USS-4: The Project would not generate substantial amounts of solid waste that may result in the unnecessary use of regional landfill capacity and would be served by a landfill with sufficient permitted capacity to accommodate the Project needs.	No mitigation is necessary.	Less than significant impact.	
Impact USS-5: The Project would not result in the unnecessary, wasteful, or inefficient use of energy.	No mitigation is necessary.	Less than significant impact.	

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#### NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY AND NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE

#### **RECIRCULATED** DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT FOR

#### THE TASSAJARA PARKS PROJECT

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Notice is hereby given pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) that a document entitled "Recirculated Draft Environmental Impact Report" for the Tassajara Parks Project (hereafter referenced as "R-DEIR") has been prepared for the proposed Tassajara Parks Project and is available for public review. Under CEQA Section 15088.5(a), a lead agency is required to recirculate an EIR when significant new information is added to the EIR after public notice is given of the availability of the draft EIR for public review under Section 15087 and before certification.

**Summary of new information added to the DEIR:** The Water Supply Evaluation (WSE) dated December 2015, upon which the Draft EIR relied on for analysis of impacts to utilities and services systems, contained a "Recycled Water" source of supply option that would have expanded recycled water use within the East Bay Municipal Utility District's (EBMUD) existing service area to reduce existing potable water use for landscape irrigation by an amount sufficient to offset the Project's water demand. Subsequent to the public notice of availability of the Draft EIR, new information arose about the availability of recycled water for expanded use after EBMUD provided factual information about where recycled water use could be expanded. Specifically, the City of Pleasanton began implementation of a new recycled water program that would reduce the availability of recycled water for the purposes of offsetting the Project's demand. Accordingly, based on this new information, the Project has eliminated the recycled water option and developed an Offsite Water Conservation option to replace it. This constitutes significant new information and the R-DEIR is being made available to allow interested parties and members of the public a meaningful opportunity to comment on this new information.

Additionally, the R-DEIR has been updated to find a significant and unavoidable impact with respect to conflicts with the greenhouse gas (GHG) Reduction Goal of BAAQMD's Clean Air Plan, given that the Project would not achieve the per capita annual GHG emissions threshold of 4.6 MTCO2e/SP/yr established by BAAQMD even after the application of all feasible mitigation measures. This change also constitutes significant new information and the R-DEIR is being made available to allow for comment on this impact related to conflicts with an applicable air quality plan.

Finally, for purposes of clarity, the R-DEIR includes information about a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between various local agencies relating to the agricultural preservation and enhancement of the broader Tassajara Valley.

In updating the Draft EIR to incorporate this significant new information, the County has also taken the opportunity to amplify and clarify, as appropriate, information in the Draft EIR related to aesthetics, agricultural resources, air quality, biological resources, geology and soils, hazardous materials, land use, noise, public services, and transportation. As noted above, the County has also incorporated additional information into the R-DEIR regarding a memorandum of understanding on the preservation of approximately 17,000 acres of agricultural land the southern part of the county, including 616 acres on the southern portion of the Project site. These clarifications enhance the analysis in the Draft EIR but do not change the conclusions.

Under CEQA, when an EIR is substantially revised and the entire document is recirculated, the lead agency may require reviewers to submit new comments and need not respond to comments received during the earlier circulation period. However, in the interest of being fully responsive, the County has determined, in its discretion, that it will respond to: (1) the original comments provided in connection with the Draft EIR; and (2) comments received in connection with the R-DEIR. Accordingly, commenters may, but are not required to, rely on original comment letters submitted to the County. Details regarding the availability of the R-DEIR and the submittal requirements are provided below.

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION**: FT Land LLC (Applicant) has submitted an application to the Contra Costa County Department of Conservation and Development (DCD) requesting approval of a 125-unit single family residential subdivision with substantial park,

"Northern Site". The Southern Site consists of approximately 616 acres and the Northern Site, which is located approximately one-half mile to the north, consists of approximately 155 acres. The Project Site is adjacent to and outside of the ULL. See attached vicinity map (Attachment 1). In addition, the MOU map (Attachment 2) is also attached.

The existing Contra Costa County General Plan land use designation for the Project Site is AL, Agricultural Lands and the zoning designation is A-80, Exclusive Agricultural District.

**ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS OF THE PROJECT:** The Recirculated Draft EIR identifies potentially significant environmental impacts in the following topic areas:

- Air Quality/Greenhouse Gas \*
- Biological Resources
- Cultural Resources
- Geology and Soils
- Hazardous Materials
- Hydrology and Water Quality
- Land Use, Population and Housing
- Noise
- Transportation and Traffic \*
- Utilities and Service Systems
- Cumulative Impacts

Most potentially significant impacts can be mitigated to less-than-significant levels. Significant and unavoidable impacts (i.e., impacts that cannot be mitigated to less-than-significant levels) have been identified in the topic areas marked with an asterisk (\*).

R-DEIR PUBLIC REVIEW & COMMENT PERIOD: Pursuant to CEQA, there is a forty-five (45) day public review and comment period for the R-DEIR. Written comments on the adequacy of the Draft EIR must be submitted by 5:00 p.m. on Monday, November 14, 2016 to the following:

# John Oborne Contra Costa County Department of Conservation & Development 30 Muir Road Martinez, CA 94553

The County File Numbers indicated near the top of this notice should be included on all correspondence.

During the 45-day review period, the County Zoning Administrator will hold a public hearing to provide additional opportunity for public comment on the R-DEIR. Comments made during the hearing are equivalent to written comments, so it is

recreation and open space components (Project) in the Tassajara Valley area of unincorporated Contra Costa County.

The Project Site is composed of two, noncontiguous, areas of land, which are referred to as the "Northern Site" and the "Southern Site" – together referred to as the Project Site. The Southern Site consists of approximately 616 acres and the Northern Site, which is situated less than one-half mile to the north is approximately 155 acres.

The Northern Site would consist of 125 single family homes and related improvements on 30 acres, with an adjacent detention basin and related grading. An additional portion of the Northern Site, containing two staging areas and public trail connection, would be conveyed to the East Bay Regional Park District for parks / recreation / open space uses. The remaining acreage of the Northern Site would be conveyed to a Geologic Hazard Abatement District (GHAD), and deed restricted for open space, scenic, agricultural (i.e., grazing) and related non-urban uses.

The Applicant proposes to convey almost all of the Southern Site (approximately 609 acres) to the East Bay Regional Park District, for parks / recreation / open space and agricultural (i.e., grazing) uses. The remaining approximately 7 acres of the Southern Site would be contingently offered for dedication to the San Ramon Valley Fire Protection District for their potential future use.

In addition, the Project proponent and the County are considering entering into a Development Agreement to vest the ability to build the Project and provide an enforcement mechanism to ensure funding from the Project proponent to support and implement policies, programs, and other actions intended to enhance agriculture and preserve open space, wetlands, parks, and other non-urban uses in the Tassajara Valley in connection with the MOU, should the parties ultimately decide to enter into the MOU.<sup>1</sup>

The Project would require a change to the Contra Costa County Urban Limit Line (ULL) (pursuant to Chapter 82-1.018 of the Contra Costa County Ordinance Code) to include the 30-acre Residential Development Area, encompassing the Project's residential development on the Northern Site. The Project involves the following entitlements: General Plan Amendment, Rezoning, Subdivision, Development Plan, Development Agreement, and Tree Removal.

**PROJECT LOCATION:** As noted above, the approximately 771-acre Tassajara Parks Project Site, located east of the City of San Ramon and Town of Danville, is composed of two different areas of land, which are referred to as the "Southern Site" and the

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Should the parties decide to enter into the MOU, but the County decides not to approve the Project, the MOU is a separate and distinct action and does not depend on the Project to be effective, although the funding provision in the MOU would not be applicable.

unnecessary for one to submit written comments and oral comment as long as the oral comments are provided at the hearing. The County Zoning Administrator's hearing will be held on Monday, November 7, 2016 at 3:30 p.m. at 30 Muir Road, Martinez, California.

R-DEIR AVAILABILITY: Copies of the R-DEIR are available for review and purchase at the offices of the DCD, located at the address indicated above. The R-DEIR is available for purchase in CD format for \$5.00 and in hard copy format for \$50.00. In addition to copies of the R-DEIR, supplemental information including maps, plans, and other material related to the project and the preparation of the R-DEIR are available for public review at the DCD offices. The Draft EIR is also available on the County Web Site at www.cccounty.us/tassajaraparks

Hard copies of the R-DEIR are available for review, but not purchase, at the following additional locations:

Danville Library

San Ramon Library

Office of County Supervisor Candace Anderson, District II

400 Front Street Danville, CA

100 Montgomery Street San Ramon, CA

309 Diablo Road

Danville, CA

Dougherty Station Library 17017 Bollinger Canyon Road

San Ramon, CA

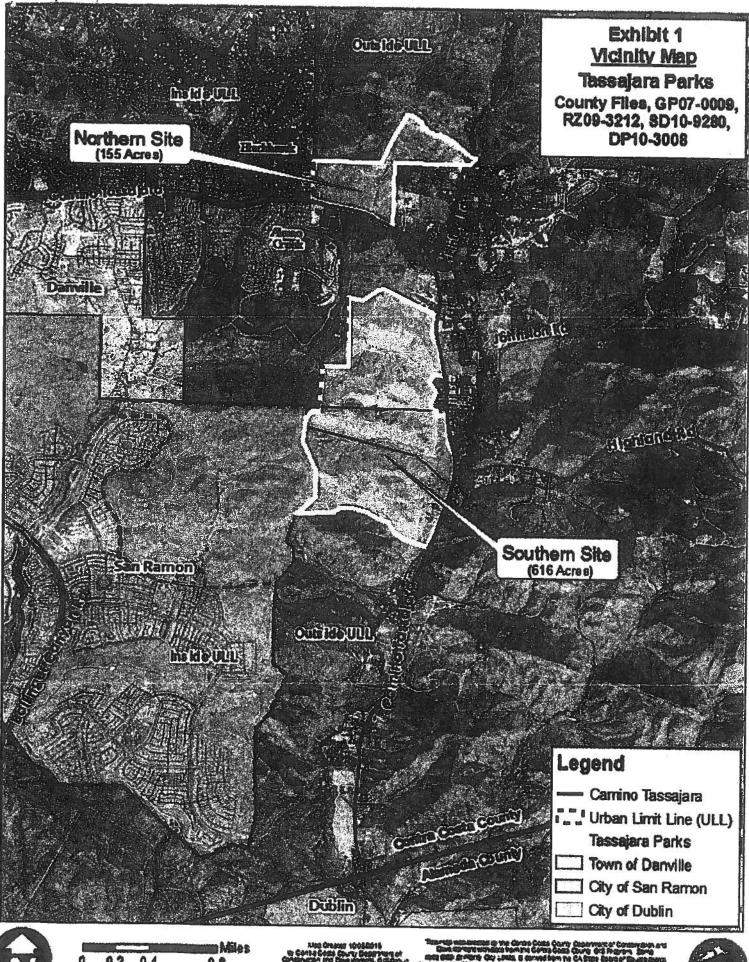
Pleasant Hill Library

1750 Oak Park Boulevard

Pleasant Hill, CA

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: For additional information on the R-DEIR and the proposed Project, please contact either John Oborne of the DCD by telephone at (925) 674-7793, by e-mail at John.Oborne@dcd.cccounty.us.

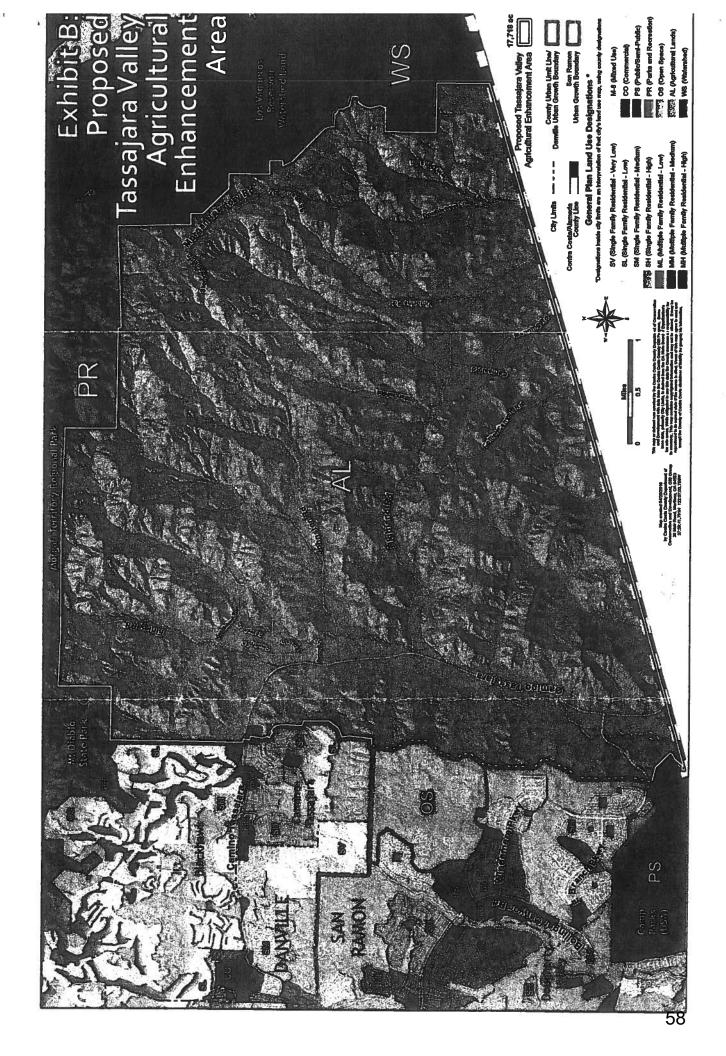
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# AGENDA ITEM 7



#### **Contra Costa County**

#### Department of Conservation and Development Community Development Division

# PUBLIC MEETING Regarding Proposed Tassajara Valley Agricultural Enhancement Area Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)

Date: Wednesday, November 9, 2016

Time: 6:00 p.m.

Location: Tassajara One-Room Schoolhouse

1650 Finley Road

(north of intersection with Camino Tassajara and

east of the Town of Danville)

#### Agenda

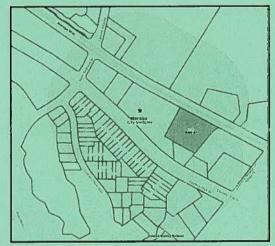
- 1) Welcome and staff introductions (Supervisor Mary N. Piepho)
- 2) Background and overview of Proposed MOU (John Kopchik, Director, CCC DCD)
- 3) Questions and comments (all)
- 4) Discussion (all)
- 5) Next steps. Review schedule and additional opportunities for comment (John Kopchik)
- 6) Closing comments (Supervisor Mary N. Piepho)

If you have questions about this agenda or desire additional meeting materials, you may contact Francisco Avila of the Contra Costa County Community Development Department at 925-674-7801, or email at Francisco. Avila@dcd.cccounty.us.

County staff will provide reasonable accommodation for persons with disabilities planning to participate in this meeting who contact staff at least 72 hours before the meeting.



Town of Moraga Planning Department 329 Rheem Boulevard Moraga, CA 94556



All project application materials may be viewed at the Planning Department, 329 Rheem Boulevard, Moraga, during normal office hours. Comments may be received at the Planning Department before the approval date.

Date Mailed and Posted: 08/11/2016



Town of Danville/SWAT Andy Dillard 510 La Gonda Way Danville, CA 94526

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#### TOWN OF MORAGA PUBLIC HEARING TOWN COUNCIL

Consideration of an Appeal of the Planning Commission Action Effectively Denying a General Development Plan, under MMC Section 8.48.110, and Vesting Tentative Subdivision Map, under the Subdivision Map Act, for the Moraga Town Center Homes project, a 36-Unit Attached Single Family Residential Development. Actions under consideration include the following:

Resolution No. \_\_-2016 Granting the Appeal of the Planning Commission's Effective Denial and Approving the General Development Plan and Vesting Tentative Map for the Moraga Town Center Homes Project, Subject to Conditions of Approval.

DAY/DATE/ TIME/PLACE	Town Council Meeting Wednesday, August 24, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. Council Chambers, 335 Rheem Boulevard, Moraga
PROJECT SITE	Vacant lot situated between Moraga Way and Country Club Drive adjacent to the Moraga Orinda Fire District Offices (APN 257-180-082 & 257-190-057)
APPLICANT	City Ventures, 444 Spear Street, Suite 105 San Francisco, CA 94105
OWNER	Russell Bruzzone Inc. and Moraga General Properties, LLC, 899 Hope Lane, Lafayette CA 94595
PROJECT DESCRIPTION	The proposed project is 36 attached single-family homes on 3.06-acre vacant site in the Moraga Center Specific Plan (Area 13). The project would include 15 duplex units and 21 attached townhomes, internal roadways, landscaping and a 10,460 square foot pocket park.
ZONING	Planned Development District – 12-PD-MC (12 Dwelling Units per Acre)
ČĖCA STATUS	The project is located within the boundaries of the Moraga Center Specific Plan, which was evaluated under CEQA in an EIR (SCH # 2000031129) certified by the Town Council on January 27, 2010. There are no new significant effects or impacts or new information that require additional analysis under CEQA Guidelines Sections 15162 and 15183.
STAFF CONTACT	Holly Pearson, Senior Planner (925) 888-7043 hpearson@moraga.ca.us

Published 8/11/16



Town of Moraga Planning Department 329 Rheem Boulevard Moraga, CA 94556

Questions & comments on items before the Planning Commission are welcome any time, but please note the following opportunities to comment: • In writing (email or mail) prior to release of the staff report (generally 3-5 days before the meeting). We encourage you to state your concerns before the staff report is completed so that comments can be reflected in the report.

- After release of the staff report (posted at www.moraga.ca.us)
- At the hearing, during the designated "public comment" period.
   (Three minute per person limit) See back of notice for mail, email and phone contact.



SWAT - Andy Dillard 510 La Gonda Way Danville, CA 94526

#### **TOWN OF MORAGA PUBLIC MEETING**

#### **PLANNING COMMISSION**

#### Bella Vista (Rancho Laguna II) Subdivision Temporary Sales Office Trailer and Idea Home

Amendment to Conditional Use Permit (UP 04-15) to allow for the temporary use of Bella Vista (formerly Rancho Laguna II) Subdivision Lot 7 for a temporary sales trailer and Lot 26 for an "idea home" (similar to a model home) with associated signage, as an alternate to the previous approved location for a sales office and model home facility.

If you wish to comment on this matter, you are invited to attend this Public Meeting or you may submit written comments to the staff person listed below.

DAY/DATE/ TIME/PLACE  APPLICANT/ OWNER	Planning Commission Special Meeting Monday, August 29 at 7:00 p.m. Council Chambers & Community Meeting Room, 335 Rheem Boulevard, Moraga, CA 94556  SummerHill RL, LLC, 777 S. California Ave., Palo Alto, CA 94304
PROJECT DESCRIPTION	Proposed use of lots 7 and 26 of the Bella Vista subdivision (SUB 9330) for a temporary sales trailer and Idea Home, which is similar to a model home except that visitors would be escorted to the home. The amendment would allow use of these lots as an alternative to the use of lots 23, 24 and 25 for a similar purpose, previously approved by the Planning Commission (UP 04-15). The temporary sales trailer would be located on lot 7 which would also be improved with a temporary parking lot and landscaping. Lot 26 would contain an Idea Home which would be a home constructed per the approved plans which would be fully furnished and fully landscaped. The sales trailer would be occupied by two sales staff and open from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Tuesday through Sundays and 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Mondays. Signage would include a freestanding welcome sign along Rheem Blvd., sales office sign, four pole mounted banner signs and directional and informational signs.
ZONING	Non-MOSO Open Space - Planned Development (N-OS-PD)
CEQA STATUS	An Environmental Impact Report was certified for the project in January 2011, and a CEQA Addendum was prepared to address subsequent changes to the project grading plan for the GDP and Vesting Tentative Map.
STAFF CONTACT	Brian Horn, Associate Planner (925)888-7044 bhorn@moraga.ca.us

Persons with disabilities requiring assistance in order to attend and/or participate in this meeting, please contact Town Clerk at 925-888-7022 at least 24 hours prior to the meeting. If you challenge the above-described action in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the Public Hearing described in this Notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the Town of Moraga at, or prior to, the public hea<u>ring</u>.

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September 15, 2016

Randell H. Iwasaki, Executive Director Contra Costa Transportation Authority 2999 Oak Road, Suite 100 Walnut Creek, CA 94597

RE: SWAT Meeting Summary Report for September 12, 2016

Dear Mr. Iwasaki:

The Southwest Area Transportation Committee ("SWAT") met on Monday, September 12, 2016. The following is a summary of the meeting and action items:

- Approved SWAT/511 Contra Costa FY 2016-17 SWAT Transportation Demand Management Programs and Budget; and
- 2. Approved FY 16/17 SWAT Administrative Services Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between SWAT and the City of San Ramon.

Please contact me at (925) 973-2651 or email at <a href="mailto:lbobadilla@sanramon.ca.gov">lbobadilla@sanramon.ca.gov</a>, if you should have any questions.

Sincerely,

Lisa Bobadilla

**SWAT Administrator** 

Cc: Ross Chittenden, CCTA; Hisham Noeimi, CCTA; SWAT; SWAT TAC; Anita Tucci-Smith, TRANSPAC; John Nemeth, WCCTAC; Jamar Stamps, TRANSPLAN



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#### COMMISSIONERS

#### **MEMORANDUM**

Dave Hudson, Chair

> To: Anita Tucci-Smith, TRANSPAC

Tom Butt Vice Chair

Lisa Bobadilla, SWAT

Janet Abelson

Jamar Stamps, TRANSPLAN, TVTC

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**David Durant** 

From:

Federal Glover

Randell H. Iwasaki, Executive Director

Karen Mitchoff

Date: October 11, 2016

Julie Pierce

Item of interest for circulation to the Regional Transportation Planning Committees

(RTPCs)

Re:

Kevin Romick

Don Tatzin

Robert Taylor

At its September 21, 2016 meeting, the Authority discussed the following item, which may be of interest to the Regional Transportation Planning Committees:

Randell H. Iwasaki, **Executive Director** 

1. Approval to Release Proposed One Bay Area Grant (OBAG 2) Program and Measure J Coordinated Call for Projects. The Authority approved release of a Coordinated Call for Projects for the OBAG 2 program, Measure J Program 12 Transportation for Livable Communities (TLC), and Program 13 Pedestrian, Bicycle and Trail Facilities (PBTF). The Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) has allocated approximately \$56.1 million to Contra Costa through the OBAG 2 Program and about \$35.3 million will be available during the same period through the two Measure J Programs. The proposed approach responds to the required factors and requirements in MTC's Resolution 4202, including the new housing displacement requirements, as well as, the requirements of the Measure J Programs. The Authority Board approved the release of a proposed Coordinated Call for Projects for the OBAG 2 program, Measure J Program 12 Transportation for Livable Communities (TLC) and Program 13 Pedestrian, Bicycle and Trail Facilities (PBTF) as amended. Final details for addressing housing displacement and the surplus land resolution will be discussed at the Authority's regular Board meeting on October 19, 2016.

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#### Lamorinda Program Management Committee

#### LAMORINDA PROGRAM MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING

Monday, October 3, 2016

Contra Costa County District 2 Supervisor's Office 3338 Mt. Diablo Boulevard Lafayette, CA 94549

#### \*\*REGULAR MEETING CANCELLED\*\*



Further information may be obtained from the Engineering Services Department 3675 Mt Diablo Blvd, Suite 210, Lafayette CA 94549 925.299.3229 jhinkamp@lovelafayette.org

### Lamorinda Fee and Financing Authority

## LAMORINDA FEE AND FINANCE AUTHORITY MEETING Monday, October 3, 2016

Contra Costa County District 2 Supervisor's Office 3338 Mt. Diablo Boulevard Lafayette, CA 94549

#### \*\*REGULAR MEETING CANCELLED\*\*

#### RECEIVED

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Transportation Division City of San Ramon

Further information may be obtained from the Engineering Services Department 3675 Mt Diablo Blvd, Suite 210, Lafayette CA 94549 925.299.3229 jhinkamp@lovelafayette.org

#### **TRANSPAC Transportation Partnership and Cooperation**

Clayton, Concord, Martinez, Pleasant Hill, Walnut Creek and Contra Costa County 2300 Contra Costa Boulevard, Suite 110
Pleasant Hill, CA 94523
(925) 969-0841

October 13, 2016

Randell H. Iwasaki, Executive Director Contra Costa Transportation Authority 2999 Oak Road, Suite 100 Walnut Creek, CA 94597

Re: Status Letter for TRANSPAC Meeting - October 13, 2016

Dear Mr. Iwasaki:

At its meeting on October 13, 2016, TRANSPAC took the following actions that may be of interest to the Transportation Authority:

- 1. Received status report on the transition and current programs under the 511 Contra Costa Program with the CCTA and Stantec.
- 2. Adopted Resolution 2016-1 in support of the concept of a Marsh Creek Corridor Multi-Use Trail connecting the Delta to Mount Diablo and neighboring communities.
- 3. Conducted initial interviews of candidates for the TRANSPAC Managing Director position.

TRANSPAC hopes that this information is useful to you.

Sincerely,

Ron Leone

TRANSPAC Chair

CC: TRANSPAC Representatives; TRANSPAC TAC and staff
Martin Engelmann, Hisham Noeimi, Brad Beck (CCTA)
Jamar I. Stamps, TRANSPLAN; Doug Hardcastle, Chair, TRANSPLAN
Lisa Bobadilla, SWAT; Don Tatzin, Chair, SWAT
John Nemeth, WCCTAC; Janet Abelson, Chair, WCCTAC
Tarienne Grover, CCTA
June Catalano, Diane Miguel (City of Pleasant Hill)



From:

Date:

Re:

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#### **MEMORANDUM**

Dave Hudson, Chair

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To: Anita Tucci-Smith, TRANSPAC

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Randell H. Iwasaki, Executive Directo

October 25, 2016

Item of interest for circulation to the Regional Transportation Planning Committees

(RTPCs)

At its October 19, 2016 meeting, the Authority discussed the following item, which may be of interest to the Regional Transportation Planning Committees:

Randell H. Iwasaki. **Executive Director** 

- 2999 Oak Road Suite 100 Walnut Creek CA 94597 PHONE: 925.256.4700 FAX: 925.256.4701 www.ccta.net
- 1. Approval of Response Letter to the Sierra Club Regarding Status of Priority Development Areas (PDAs). Last August, the Sierra Club sent a letter to Chair Hudson and CCTA Commissioners with guestions and comments for consideration regarding the status of Contra Costa's PDAs. The letter was briefly discussed at the Authority Board meeting on September 21<sup>st</sup>, and staff was directed to prepare a draft response for consideration by the Authority at the October 19<sup>th</sup> meeting. The Authority Board approved transmittal of a response letter to the Sierra Club regarding the status of Priority Development Areas in Contra Costa County. A copy of the final response letter is attached to this correspondence.
- 2. Review of the Metropolitan Transportation Commission's (MTC's) Proposed "Plan Bay Area 2040" Preferred Scenario for Incorporation into the 2017 Draft Regional Transportation Plan (Draft RTP). MTC and the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG) have released the Draft Preferred Scenarios to local jurisdictions and the Congestion Management Agencies (CMAs) for initial review. The proposed land use scenario represents a projected pattern of household and employment growth in the Bay Area through 2040. It includes, for Contra Costa,

115,300 new households and 112,500 new jobs by 2040 (compared to 2010). The Authority Board approved transmittal of a letter to MTC's Executive Director Steve Heminger and ABAG's Deputy Executive Director Bradford Paul to provide CCTA's comments on the Plan Bay Area 2040 Draft Preferred Scenario, specifically land use forecasts and transportation improvements. A copy of the final comment letter is attached.

3. Further Discussion of One Bay Area Grant (OBAG 2) Project Screening and Selection Criteria. The combined "Call for Projects" for OBAG 2 and Measure J programs was authorized for release to project sponsors at the Authority Board meeting held on September 21, 2016. Authority members voiced concern, however, about requiring anti-displacement policies as a project selection criterion, and about the requirement for a local resolution pledging adherence to the Surplus Land Act. The Authority requested that staff from MTC and ABAG attend the Authority meeting on October 19th to discuss the Board's concerns and reply to questions. The Authority Board approved transmittal of a comment letter to MTC's Executive Director Steve Heminger to suggest that MTC amend Resolution 4202 to eliminate the Surplus Land Resolution and incorporate the requirement into the local compliance checklist. A copy of the final comment letter is attached.



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October 19, 2016

Dave Hudson, Chair

Mr. Matt Williams

Tom Butt, Vice Chair

Chair, San Francisco Bay Chapter Transportation and Compact Growth

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2530 San Pablo Avenue

David Durant

Berkeley, CA 94702

Federal Glover

Subject: Priority Development Areas in Contra Costa County

Karen Mitchoff

Dear Mr. Williams,

Julie Pierce Kevin Romick

Don Tatzin

Robert Taylor

Thank you for your letter of August 2<sup>nd</sup> regarding Priority Development Areas

(PDA) in Contra Costa. The Authority generally agrees with your overall

assessment of PDAs. We recognize the important role that PDAs will play in

achieving the Bay Regions greenhouse gas (GhG) reduction targets.

Randell H. Iwasaki, Executive Director Below are a list of your specific comments and our responses.

Several PDAs are Classified as Potential and Need [to be] Changed [to Planned] to be Successful: The Authority is fully committed to the successful development of PDAs in Contra Costa. To foster this development, the Authority prepares and regularly updates a PDA Investment & Growth Strategy, as specified and required by MTC. Following extensive public outreach and technical and policy collaboration with the PDA cities within Contra Costa County, the first PDA Strategy was published in April 2013. The update to that Initial PDA Strategy document was published in April 2014. The Authority will update the PDA Strategy every four years thereafter, as required by MTC Resolution 4202.

2999 Oak Road Suite 100 Walnut Creek CA 94597 PHONE: 925.256.4700 FAX: 925.256.4701 www.ccta.net The PDA Strategy contains four objectives and eight actions to achieve these objectives. Of those eight actions, one is completed, a second is "in process," and the remaining six are "on-going. For a complete description of the objectives and actions, please refer to the PDA Investment & Growth Strategy – 2014 Update, Adopted April 16, 2014, and available on the CCTA website at www.ccta.net.

The Authority is also in the process of allocating new funding to the PDAs through MTC's One Bay Area Grant (OBAG) program. The first round of OBAG

funding included \$41 million in discretionary funding that was allocated to support PDA development and transportation alternatives based upon a priority-setting project selection process focused on assigning funds to projects that offered the greatest support to PDA development.

The second round of funding, called OBAG 2, involves \$46 million in federal funds to improve transportation infrastructure for local roads, transit, bicycle and pedestrians facilities that serve PDAs. CCTA recently released a coordinated "Call for Projects" that combines these federal funds with \$27.7 million in Measure J Transportation for Livable Communities funds, and \$7.6 million in Measure J Pedestrian, Bicycle and Trail Facilities funds, with much of it focused on improving PDAs.

The above-described programs and documents do not favor "planned" over "potential" PDAs; all PDAs are eligible to receive OBAG 2 funding, regardless of designation.

Several PDAs do not have the Required Minimal Level of Mass Transit Service: With regard to transit service, the OBAG 2 funds are limited to certain uses. For example, these funds cannot be used to fund ongoing transit service. Measure J, on the other hand, includes funding for transit service, as does the proposed Transportation Expenditure Plan (TEP) that will appear on the November ballot. The new TEP, adopted by the Authority on July 20, includes nearly one billion dollars for improving BART, bus, ferry, rail, pedestrian and bicycle facilities. Of this total, \$295 million may be used to support bus and other non-rail transit service. We believe that Measure J, in combination with the new TEP (if approved by the voters in November 2016) will go a long way in improving transit service to all communities in Contra Costa, including PDAs.

Several PDAs do not have a Complete Streets Plan: According to our records, all of the local jurisdictions in Contra Costa have adopted a Complete Streets Plan, either by resolution or through incorporation into the General Plan. The Complete Streets plans apply to the entire geographic area of the local jurisdiction that adopts them, including PDAs. The five PDAs mentioned in your letter are located in unincorporated Contra Costa County. The County recently adopted a Complete Streets Resolution (July 12, 2016, Resolution No. 2016/374), thereby fulfilling this OBAG requirement. No further action by the Authority is needed at this time.

Several PDAs are Subject to Flooding Due to Sea Level Rise from Climate Change: The Authority, through its participation in the Bay Area Partnership, serves on a number of committees that are tracking the impacts of sea level rise on transportation infrastructure in the Bay Region. Authority staff currently serves on the "Adapting for Rising Tides" committee, which is evaluating the built infrastructure in existing communities to determine the level of vulnerability of those facilities to projected sea level rise, including facilities located within PDAs. The committee is tasked with identifying all "at-risk" infrastructure, coming up with a protection and resiliency plan, and developing plans for adaptation. At this time, the planning phase for this effort is funded, however, the cost to the owner-operators to protect their facilities is still under evaluation and remains unfunded. The Authority continues to work through the Partnership to address the issue of data collection for the Delta, where sea-level rise data is unavailable.

Several PDAs do not have a Required Recreational Park: With regard to parks, the designation of park areas in PDAs is at the discretion of the local jurisdiction in which the PDA is located. While having parks within or in close proximity to PDAs is desirable, ABAG has not identified parks as a mandatory requirement. In cases where access to open space is feasible, the Authority could consider designation of additional Priority Conservation Areas (PCAs). We currently have 16 PCAs in Contra Costa that have been designated by local jurisdictions and accepted by ABAG. We will re-examine how we might improve connections between PDAs and PCAs.

Several PDAs had no Affordable Housing Units Built in 2013-2014: While the Authority fully supports the development of affordable housing in PDAs, it cannot control the number of units that are constructed and/or occupied over any given year. OBAG 2 does require, however, that each local jurisdiction receiving funds have a Housing Element in its General Plan that has been found by the state Housing and Community Development (HCD) department to be in compliance with applicable State law. Identifying eligible parcels of land for affordable housing is an important first step towards achieving our affordable housing goals. Construction of new affordable housing, however, will require significant additional funding to help make these projects financially viable. The Department of Conservation and Development at Contra Costa County estimates that each affordable housing unit built in Contra Costa requires a subsidy of \$350,000. It is outside of the purview of the Authority to provide this subsidy,

because revenues from the Measure J sales tax may only be used for transportation purposes. <sup>1</sup>

The Production of Housing Units in Contra Costa's PDAs is Inadequate [Compared] to [the] Need: The production of housing in PDAs is monitored by ABAG. The recently completed Draft Preferred Scenario for PBA 2040 (Projections 2017) includes new forecasts for housing development in PDAs. Once the Preferred Scenario is defined, a table comparing Projections 2013 and the new projection series (P-2017) will be available for review. The Authority is fully committed to implementing infrastructure and transit investments to support housing development and to implement PBA 2040 following its adoption in July 2017.

The Target of Adequate Housing and Anti-Displacement of Low-Income Residents: The Authority recognizes MTC's objective to house 100 percent of the Region's projected growth. The proposed Preferred Scenario for PBA 2040 reflects this objective and assigns a significant amount of new housing to Contra Costa between 2010 and 2040 when compared with the previous RTP (Projections 2013). PBA 2040 envisions 115,350 new dwelling units in Contra Costa, compared with 88,000 in the previous RTP. This constitutes a 23 percent increase in housing growth comparing draft PBA 2040 with Projections 2013. The proposed housing forecast, if adopted by ABAG and MTC in 2017, will be incorporated into the Authority's Travel Demand Forecasting Model that will be applied for the next Countywide Plan update.

The Target of Adequate Housing and Anti-Displacement of Low-Income Residents: With the final adoption of Resolution 4202 in July 2016, MTC instructed the CMAs to address this issue through the project selection process. In response, the Authority has adopted a policy that rewards jurisdictions that have adopted anti-displacement policies. The OBAG 2 "call for projects" includes a specific selection criterion that assign four points (out of 100) to local

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Local Transportation Authority and Improvement Act (Public Utility Code Sections 180000 *et. seq.*) is the State enabling legislation that allows CCTA to collect and expend sales tax funds on transportation. Section 180205 states that "[t]he revenues from the taxes imposed ... may be allocated by the authority for the construction and improvement of state highways, the construction, maintenance, improvement, and operation of local streets, roads, and highways, and the construction, improvement, and operation of public transit systems. For purposes of this section, "public transit systems" includes paratransit services.

jurisdictions that prevent or limit housing displacement. The scoring is based on UC Berkeley Urban Displacement Projects database available as http://www.urbandisplacement.org/map/sf#. Projects that are located in jurisdictions that have the most number of policies will receive a higher score in this area.

We hope that we have responded adequately to your concerns. Thank you again for your letter. We look forward to hearing from you over the coming year as we work to guide the OBAG 2 investments towards improving our PDAs, and subsequent updates of our PDA Strategy.

Sincerely,

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Subject: CCTA Comments on the Plan Bay Area 2040 Draft Preferred Scenario

Dear Mr. Heminger and Mr. Paul:

The Contra Costa Transportation Authority (CCTA) appreciates the effort the regional agencies have expended in order to develop the draft Preferred Scenario for Plan Bay Area 2040 – the Bay Region's Regional Transportation Plan for 2017. MTC staff members Ken Kirkey and Matt Maloney provided the Contra Costa Planning Directors with a thorough presentation outlining the Draft Preferred Scenario at their September 14<sup>th</sup> meeting. Some initial comments were communicated to staff at the meeting, however, the following is an exhaustive list of our comments on the draft. The majority of our comments will focus on the land use allocations published in the August 30<sup>th</sup>, 2016 memo from MTC/ABAG.

## Land Use Forecasts

Our primary concern with the allocation of households and jobs in Contra Costa is the exacerbation of our county being primarily a producer of housing, with residents having to commute elsewhere for employment. The draft Preferred Scenario forecasts an increase of over 115,000 new households in Contra Costa over the life of the Plan (through 2040), an increase of 26,500 (23%) over the 2013 RTP forecast of nearly 89,000 new households. At the same time, job growth is forecast to grow by 112,500, a 9% reduction from the 2013 RTP forecast of nearly 122,500 new jobs.

This is concerning because Contra Costa residents already have the longest commutes in the Bay Area (Source: MTC Vital Signs), and under the draft Preferred Scenario, this will only worsen as residents attempt to

2999 Oak Road Suite 100 Walnut Creek CA 94597 PHONE: 925.256.4700 FAX: 925.256.4701 www.ccta.net access living wage jobs located further and further from their homes. East Contra Costa, home to three of the top five longest commute cities in the region, will grow by 34,500 households through 2040, with jobs increasing by only 16,000 new jobs in that timeframe, a divide that will drive East County's workers-per-job ratio from 2.4 in 2040 under the 2013 RTP to 2.5 in the draft Preferred Scenario. Although Contra Costa has invested significant local dollars into the expansion of transportation alternatives in East County, including the widening of SR-4 and extension of eBART to Antioch, these investments will struggle to keep up with the thousands of commuters who will need to travel outside the area for work.

- Similar to the above comment, we are concerned with the continued growth in housing and reduced job forecasts in Solano County, our neighbor to the north. The draft Preferred Scenario projects a slight increase in the number of households from the 2013 RTP, while the number of jobs is reduced by over 21,000. As the majority of high-paying jobs will most likely be located to the south, we expect most of those new vehicle trips to cross the Carquinez and Benicia-Martinez Bridges seeking employment in Contra Costa, and to the major job centers beyond in San Francisco, Oakland and Silicon Valley, all further adding to the traffic woes in Contra Costa. We question whether MTC has fully considered the impact that tens of thousands of new employed residents in Contra Costa, Solano, and Sonoma will have on the transportation system when the jobs they must commute to are in the big cites. Contra Costa will have to bear the brunt of the increased demand on our regional routes as a result of the increased number of households and reduction in jobs that will exacerbate the existing commute issues we already grapple with, and could work against our efforts to address greenhouse gas emissions reductions.
- There is a statement in the August 30<sup>th</sup> memo under the 'Moving Forward' heading that refers to "...the process of refining the Bay Area's ideal development pattern...". These words suggest that MTC has happened upon the quintessential land use development pattern that will solve our transportation problems. We contend that perpetuating

the tried-and-failed policy of putting housing far away from huge job centers is less than "ideal". The residents of Contra Costa, who will endure even longer, more congested commutes under the Preferred Scenario, would consider "ideal" to mean more jobs closer to existing and planned homes. Lessons learned over the past 40 years have proven again and again that creating larger "bedroom communities" as proposed in the Preferred Scenario only makes for more stress and strain on I-80, I-680, I-580, SR 4 & 24, the bridges, and BART. Moreover, these facilities are already maxed out with zero vacant capacity to absorb additional demand, and no plans for future capacity expansion.

- We are thankful that the 'No Project' alternative assumption to expand
  Contra Costa's existing urban growth boundaries, has been removed
  under the draft Preferred Scenario. While urban growth boundaries in
  other counties may be more fluid, Contra Costa's voter-approved Urban
  Limit Line under the County's Measure L, and the Authority's Measure J
  Growth Management Program (GMP) are much more difficult to re-draw
  due to the rigid GMP requirements that make their future expansion
  highly unlikely.
- We believe that the establishment and inclusion in the Plan of the Priority Production Areas program (formerly Priority Industrial Areas) in the RTP is extremely vital for preserving the Bay Area's industrial and manufacturing sectors, which produce valuable middle-income jobs in areas closer to existing housing. For Contra Costa, living-wage job production is just as important as housing production. Nearly 55 miles of Bay shoreline from Hercules to Oakley has been the focus of Contra Costa County as part of the Northern Waterfront Initiative. This effort would seek to capitalize on the bayside geography of the waterfront, and stimulate the economy by expanding the existing industrial, maritime, and manufacturing uses and providing incentives for additional development of this unique area. The County is anticipating significant job growth in the six cities and unincorporated areas, and this vision is not reflected in the Preferred Scenario. Realizing the economic potential of the Northern Waterfront could be aided by the Priority Production Area program and associated grants, as we have seen with the OBAG

program for Priority Development Area under the last two RTPs. We would also suggest the program be re-branded as "Manufacturing Activity Zones", or something similar that would more accurately reflect the variety of enterprises that might locate there.

 We also have noticed some anomalies in the draft Preferred Scenario forecasts (from the August 30<sup>th</sup> memo) which we hope can be clarified during the development of the Plan. These will be transmitted to your staff under separate cover.

## **Transportation Improvements**

We have been working very closely with MTC staff on the 2017 Call for Projects and subsequent large project performance assessment and compelling case process. The process has been challenging, but ultimately, the Authority is pleased with the project list and found that all of our priority projects were included. We appreciate the attention to detail and willingness of staff to work closely with us on the effort.

Thank you for this opportunity to comment on the Draft Plan Bay Area. CCTA looks forward to working collaboratively with MTC and ABAG as the Preferred Scenario is developed and adopted in 2017.

Sincerely,

Randell H. Iwasaki Executive Director

cc: Bay Area CMA Directors Ken Kirkey, MTC Miriam Chion, ABAG

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Subject: Surplus Land Resolution

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Dear Mr. Heminger,

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Resolution 4202, which established the Commission's blueprint for the second cycle of the One Bay Area Grant (OBAG 2) program, contains the following

requirement:

Randell H. Iwasaki, Executive Director Cities and counties receiving funds through the County Program must adopt a surplus land resolution by the date the CMAs submit their OBAG 2 project recommendations to MTC. The resolution must verify that any disposition of surplus land undertaken by the jurisdiction complies with the State Surplus Land Act, as amended by AB 2135, 2014.

We would note, however, that since the Act is State law, cities and counties must comply with its requirements already. Requiring cities and counties to adopt a separate resolution seems to us to be a useless exercise and a waste of governmental resources.

We suggest that MTC amend Resolution 4202 to eliminate the surplus land resolution and incorporate the requirement as follows into the local compliance checklist found in Appendix A-10:

2999 Oak Road Suite 100 Walnut Creek CA 94597 PHONE: 925.256.4700 FAX: 925.256.4701 www.ccta.net a. <u>Does Has</u> the jurisdiction <u>understand and comply</u> met MTC's Surplus Land Requirements for OBAG 2 prior to the CMA submitting its program, through adoption of a resolution demonstrating compliance with the State's Surplus Land Act (AB 2135 amended)? (<u>This question</u> Resolution requirement applies only to general law cities and counties Mr. Steve Heminger October 20, 2016 Page 2

unless and until a final court decision is rendered that charter cities must comply with the provisions of this Act.)

This rewording achieves the Commission's purpose in reminding cities and counties of this requirement and ensuring their commitment to carrying out the Act's purposes.

If you have further questions on this issue, feel free to contact Martin Engelmann, Deputy Executive Director for Planning, by phone at 925 256-4729 or by email at <a href="mailto:mre@ccta.net">mre@ccta.net</a>.

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Sincerely,

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Questions & comments on items before the Planning Commission are welcome any time, but please note the following opportunities to comment: • In writing (email or mail) prior to release of the staff report (generally 3-5 days before the meeting). We encourage you to state your concerns before the staff report is completed so that comments can be reflected in the report.

After release of the staff report (posted at www.moraga.ca.us)

At the hearing, during the designated "public comment" period.
 (Three minute per person limit) See back of notice for mail, email and phone contact.



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## TOWN OF MORAGA PUBLIC MEETING PLANNING COMMISSION

The Planning Commission will hold a Public Hearing to consider the following approvals for the Moraga Town Center Homes project, a 36-unit attached single-family residential development:

Precise Development Plan, under MMC Section 8.48.110

If you wish to comment on this matter, you are invited to attend this Public Meeting or you may submit written comments to the staff person listed below.

DAY/DATE/ TIME/PLACE	Planning Commission Meeting Monday, November 7 at 7:00 p.m. Council Chambers, 335 Rheem Boulevard, Moraga
LOCATION	Vacant lot situated between Moraga Way and Country Club Drive adjacent to the Moraga Orinda Fire District Offices (APN 257-180-082 & 257-190-057)
APPLICANT	City Ventures, 444 Spear Street, Suite 105 San Francisco, CA 94105
OWNER	Russell Bruzzone Inc. and Moraga General Properties, LLC, 899 Hope Lane, Lafayette CA 94595
PROJECT DESCRIPTION	The proposed project is 36 attached single-family homes on 3.06-acre vacant site in the Moraga Center Specific Plan (Area 13). The project would include 15 duplex units and 21 attached townhomes, internal roadways, landscaping and a 10,460 square foot pocket park. A General Development Plan and Vesting Tentative Subdivision Map for this project were approved on August 24, 2016.
ZONING	Planned Development District — 12-PD-MC (12 Dwelling Units per Acre)
GENERAL PLAN	Moraga Center Specific Plan — Mixed Office / Residential
CEQA STATUS	The project is located within the boundaries of the Moraga Center Specific Plan, which was evaluated under CEQA in an EIR (SCH # 200707212) certified by the Town Council on January 27, 2010.
STAFF CONTACT	Holly Pearson, Senior Planner (925) 888-7043 hpearson@moraga.ca.us