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Mr. Rodney Horton  
City of Fresno, Development and Resources Management Department  
2600 Fresno Street, Room 3065  
Fresno, California 93721

Notice of Completion and Environmental Document Transmittal for the Specific Plan of the West Area, SCH2019069117  
Fresno County

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Dear Mr. Horton:

The Division of Safety of Dams (DSOD) has reviewed the Notice of Completion and Environmental Document Transmittal for the Specific Plan of the West Area which describes land use planning for the approximate 7,077 acre-foot tract of land for the future development of residential and non-residential uses.

Insufficient information is provided to determine if any of the ponding basins are subject to State jurisdiction for dam safety. Therefore, the City needs to submit preliminary plans so that DSOD can make a jurisdictional determination.

As defined in sections 6002 and 6003, Division 3, of the California Water Code, dams 25 feet or higher with a storage capacity of more than 15 acre-feet, and dams higher than 6 feet with a storage capacity of greater than 50 acre-feet or more are subject to State jurisdiction. The dam height is the vertical distance measured from the maximum possible water storage level to the downstream toe of the barrier.

If any of the ponding basins are subject to State jurisdiction, a construction application, together with plans, specifications, and the appropriate filing fee must be filed with DSOD for this project. All dam safety related issues must be resolved prior to approval of the application, and the work must be performed under the direction of a Civil Engineer registered in California. Erik Malvick, our Design Engineering Branch Chief, is responsible for the application process and can be reached at (916) 565-7840.

If you have any questions or need additional information, you may contact, Area Engineer William Vogler at (916) 565-7828 or me at (916) 565-7827.

Sincerely,

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Field Engineering Branch  
Division of Safety of Dams

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Notice of Completion & Environmental Document Transmittal

Mail to: State Clearinghouse, P. O. Box 3044, Sacramento, CA 95812-3044 (916) 445-0613
For Hand Delivery/Street Address: 1400 Tenth Street, Sacramento, CA 95814

SCH #

Project Title: Specific Plan of the West Area

Lead Agency: City of Fresno, Development and Resources Mgmt. Dept.

Contact Person: Rodney Horton

Mailing Address: 2600 Fresno Street, Room 3065

Phone: (559) 621-2485

City: Fresno

Zip: 93721

County: Fresno

Project Location: County: Fresno

City/Nearest Community: Fresno

Cross Streets: See NOP

Zip Code: 93721

Lat. / Long.: 36 ° 47 ' 41.8 " N / 119 ° 53 ' 57.5 " W

Total Acres: 7,077

Assessor's Parcel No.: See NOP

Section: Various Twp.: 13S

Range: 19E

Base: MDBM

Within 2 Miles: State Hwy #: SR 99

Waterways: San Joaquin River

Airports: N/A

Railways: UPRR

Schools: See NOP

Document Type:

- CEQA: [x] NOP [ ] Early Cons [ ] Neg Dec [ ] Mit Neg Dec

- [ ] Draft EIR [ ] Supplement/Subsequent EIR (Prior SCH No.) Other

- NEPA: [ ] NOI [ ] EA [ ] Draft EIS [ ] FONSI

- Other: [ ] Joint Document [ ] Final Document [ ] Other

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Local Action Type:

- [ ] General Plan Update [x] General Plan Amendment [ ] General Plan Element [ ] Community Plan [x] Specific Plan [ ] Master Plan [ ] Planned Unit Development [ ] Site Plan [x] Rezone [ ] Prezone [ ] Use Permit [ ] Land Division (Subdivision, etc.) [ ] Annexation [ ] Redevelopment [ ] Coastal Permit [ ] Other

Development Type:

- [x] Residential: Units Acres [ ] Office: Sq.ft. Acres Employees [x] Commercial: Sq.ft. Acres Employees [ ] Industrial: Sq.ft. Acres Employees [ ] Educational [x] Recreational [ ] Water Facilities: Type MGD [ ] Transportation: Type [ ] Mining: Mineral [ ] Power: Type MW [ ] Waste Treatment: Type MGD [ ] Hazardous Waste: Type [x] Other: See Table 2 of NOP

Project Issues Discussed in Document:

- [x] Aesthetic/Visual [x] Agricultural Land [x] Air Quality [x] Archeological/ Historical [x] Biological Resources [ ] Coastal Zone [x] Drainage/Absorption [x] Economic/ Jobs [x] Other Green House Gas Emissions [ ] Fiscal [x] Flood Plain/Flooding [x] Forest Land/Fire Hazard [x] Geologic/Seismic [x] Minerals [x] Noise [x] Population/Housing Balance [x] Public Services/Facilities [x] Recreation/Parks [x] Schools/Universities [x] Septic Systems [x] Sewer Capacity [x] Soil Erosion/Compaction/Grading [x] Solid Waste [x] Toxic/Hazardous [x] Traffic/Circulation [x] Vegetation [x] Water Quality [x] Water Supply/Groundwater [x] Wetland/Riparian [x] Wildlife [x] Growth Inducing [x] Land Use [x] Cumulative Effects

Present Land Use/Zoning/General Plan Designation:

See NOP

Project Description: (please use a separate page if necessary)

The proposed Specific Plan will establish the land use planning and regulatory guidance, including the land use and zoning designations and policies, for the approximately 7,077-acre Plan Area. The Specific Plan would allow for the future development of residential and non-residential uses. The proposed land use plan also designates public facility uses that are currently existing within the Plan Area, including schools and churches. Additionally, the proposed land use plan would allow for approximately 248 acres of park, open space, and ponding basin uses. The Specific Plan also includes circulation and utility improvements, some of which are planned in the City's current program for capital improvements.

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