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Mr. Doug Spondello
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Notice of Completion & Environmental Document Transmittal
Hitch Ranch Specific Plan
SCH# 2019070253
Ventura County

Dear Mr. Spondello:

The Division of Safety of Dams (DSOD) has reviewed the Notice of Completion & Environmental Document Transmittal for the Hitch Ranch Specific Plan (Plan), which describes the proposed subdivision of approximately 277 acres of property in the City of Moorpark. The Plan would provide for the master-planned development of 755 residential homes, a public park, infrastructure, open space, detention basins, and debris basins.

Insufficient information is provided in the project description to make an accurate jurisdictional determination with regard to the detention basins and debris basins, and whether some or all of the work will be subject to State jurisdiction for dam safety. Therefore, the City of Moorpark needs to submit preliminary plans of the proposed work 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 six feet with a storage capacity of 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 some or all of the proposed work is 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 Manager, is responsible for the application process and can be reached at (916) 565-7840.

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If you have any questions or need additional information, you may contact Area Engineer Cameron Lancaster at (916) 565-7830 or me at (916) 565-7827.

Sincerely,

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