MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION

TO:

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FROM:

San Joaquin County Community Development Department

1810 East Hazelton Avenue Stockton, California 95205

PROJECT TITLE: A ZONE RECLASSIFICATION APPLICATION NO. PA-1800150 (ZR)

PROPONENT: Mossdale Associates LTD

PROJECT LOCATION: The project site is on the east side of Mossdale Road, 900 feet south of the I-5 on/off ramps, Lathrop. (APN/Address: 239-030-08, -14/800 West Mossdale Road, Lathrop) (Supervisorial District: 5)

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: A Zone Reclassification application to reclassify the zoning designation of a 5.9-acre portion of three (3) parcels totaling 381.51-acres from AG-40 (General Agriculture, 40-Acre Minimum) and C-FS (Freeway Services Commercial) to I-W (Warehouse), reclassify the zoning designation of a 3.5-acre portion of three (3) parcels totally 381.51-acres from C-FS (Freeway Services Commercial) to AU-20 (Agriculture-Urban Reserve, 20-Acre Minimum), and reclassify the zoning designation of a 372.11-acre portion of three (3) parcels totaling 381.51-acres from AG-40 (General Agriculture, 40-Acre Minimum) to AU-20 (Agriculture-Urban Reserve, 20-Acre Minimum). The underlying project is the expansion of an existing farm machinery sales operation to include the sale of construction heavy equipment. The project site is not under a Williamson Act Contract.

The Property is zoned AG-40 (General Agriculture, 40-acre minimum), and C-FS (Freeway Services Commercial). The General Plan designation is A/UR (Agriculture Urban Reserve), C-FS (Freeway Services Commercial), and I-L (Limited Industrial).

Based on the attached Initial Study, it has been found that the project will not have a significant effect on the environment.

Date:

7/11/2019

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INITIAL STUDY/NEGATIVE DECLARATION

[Pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21080(c) and California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Sections 15070-15071]

LEAD AGENCY: San Joaquin County Community Development Department

PROJECT APPLICANT: Brown/Mossdale Associates

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The project site is located on the east side of West Mossdale Road, 900 feet south of the Interstate-5 on-ramp, Lathrop

ASSESSOR PARCEL NO.: 239-030-08,-09,-14

ACRES: 381.51-acres

GENERAL PLAN: A/UR, I/L, C/FS

ZONING: AG-40,C-FS

POTENTIAL POPULATION, NUMBER OF DWELLING UNITS, OR SQUARE FOOTAGE OF USE(S):

Three (3) parcels totaling 381.51-acres with zoning designations of I-W (Warehouse), AU-20 (Agriculture-Urban

Reserve, 20-Acre Minimum), and C-FS (Commercial-Freeway Services).

SURROUNDING LAND USES:

NORTH: City of Lathrop

SOUTH: Agricultural with scattered residences/Union Pacific Railroad Company

EAST: Agricultural with scattered residences/City of Manteca
WEST: Agricultural with scattered residences/City of Tracy

REFERENCES AND SOURCES FOR DETERMINING ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS:

Original source materials and maps on file in the Community Development Department including: all County and City general plans and community plans; assessor parcel books; various local and FEMA flood zone maps; service district maps; maps of geologic instability; maps and reports on endangered species such as the Natural Diversity Data Base; noise contour maps; specific roadway plans; maps and/or records of archeological/historic resources; soil reports and maps; etc.

Many of these original source materials have been collected from other public agencies or from previously prepared EIR's and other technical studies. Additional standard sources which should be specifically cited below include on-site visits by staff (note staff knowledge or experience; and independent environmental studies submitted to the County as part of the project application. Copies of these reports can be found by contacting the Community Development Department.

TRIBAL CULTURAL RESOURCES:

Have California Native American tribes traditionally and culturally affiliated with the project area requested consultation pursuant to Public Resources Code section 21080.3.1? If so, is there a plan for consultation that includes, for example, the determination of significance of impacts to tribal cultural resources, procedures regarding confidentiality, etc.

<u>No</u>

GENERAL CONSIDERATIONS:

1.	Does it appear that any environmental feature of the project will generate significant public concern or controversy? Yes No
	Nature of concern(s): Enter concern(s).
2.	Will the project require approval or permits by agencies other than the County? ☐ Yes ☑ No
	Agency name(s): Enter agency name(s).
3.	Is the project within the Sphere of Influence, or within two miles, of any city? Yes No
	City: Lathrop, Manteca

ENVIRONMENTAL FACTORS POTENTIALLY AFFECTED:

Associate Planner

The environmental factors checked below would be potentially affected by this project, involving at least one impact that is a "Potentially Significant Impact" as indicated by the checklist on the following pages.

\boxtimes	Aesthetics	\boxtimes	Agriculture and Forestry Resources	\boxtimes	Air Quality
\boxtimes	Biological Resources	\boxtimes	Cultural Resources		Energy
\boxtimes	Geology / Soils	\boxtimes	Greenhouse Gas Emissions	\boxtimes	Hazards & Hazardous Materials
\boxtimes	Hydrology / Water Quality	\boxtimes	Land Use / Planning	\boxtimes	Mineral Resources
\boxtimes	Noise	\boxtimes	Population / Housing		Public Services
	Recreation	\boxtimes	Transportation	\boxtimes	Tribal Cultural Resources
\boxtimes	Utilities / Service Systems		Wildfire	\boxtimes	Mandatory Findings of Significance
DETE	ERMINATION: (To be completed by	the	Lead Agency) On the basis of this in	itial	evaluation:
	find that the proposed project CDECLARATION will be prepared.	OUL	D NOT have a significant effect	on t	he environment, and a NEGATIVE
е		ns in	the project have been made by o		ronment, there will not be a significant reed to by the project proponent. A
	find that the proposed project MAY REPORT is required.	hav	e a significant effect on the environm	nent,	and an ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT
ir a d	mpact on the environment, but at le applicable legal standards, and 2)	ast o has	ne effect 1) has been adequately an been addressed by mitigation mea	alyze asure	otentially significant unless mitigated" ed in an earlier document pursuant to es based on the earlier analysis as ed, but it must analyze only the effects
s a C	ignificant effects (a) have been ar pplicable standards, and (b) ha	nalyz ve t	ed adequately in an earlier EIR or been avoided or mitigated pursua	NEG ant t	environment, because all potentially BATIVE DECLARATION pursuant to to that earlier EIR or NEGATIVE the proposed project, nothing further
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EVALUATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS:

- A brief explanation is required for all answers except "No Impact" answers that are adequately supported by the information sources a lead agency cites in the parentheses following each question. A "No Impact" answer is adequately supported if the referenced information sources show that the impact simply does not apply to projects like the one involved (e.g., the project falls outside a fault rupture zone). A "No Impact" answer should be explained where it is based on project-specific factors as well as general standards (e.g., the project will not expose sensitive receptors to pollutants, based on a project-specific screening analysis).
- 2) All answers must take account of the whole action involved, including off-site as well as on-site, cumulative as well as project-level, indirect as well as direct, and construction as well as operational impacts.
- Once the lead agency has determined that a particular physical impact may occur, then the checklist answers must indicate whether the impact is potentially significant, less than significant with mitigation, or less than significant. "Potentially Significant Impact" is appropriate if there is substantial evidence that an effect may be significant. If there are one or more "Potentially Significant Impact" entries when the determination is made, an EIR is required.
- "Negative Declaration: Less Than Significant With Mitigation Incorporated" applies where the incorporation of mitigation measures has reduced an effect from "Potentially Significant Impact" to a "Less Than Significant Impact." The lead agency must describe the mitigation measures, and briefly explain how they reduce the effect to a less than significant level (mitigation measures from "Earlier Analyses," as described in (5) below, may be crossreferenced).
- 5) Earlier analyses may be used where, pursuant to the tiering, program EIR, or other CEQA process, an effect has been adequately analyzed in an earlier EIR or negative declaration. Section 15063(c)(3)(D). In this case, a brief discussion should identify the following:
 - a) Earlier Analysis Used. Identify and state where they are available for review.
 - b) Impacts Adequately Addressed. Identify which effects from the above checklist were within the scope of and adequately analyzed in an earlier document pursuant to applicable legal standards, and state whether such effects were addressed by mitigation measures based on the earlier analysis.
 - c) Mitigation Measures. For effects that are "Less than Significant with Mitigation Measures Incorporated," describe the mitigation measures which were incorporated or refined from the earlier document and the extent to which they address site-specific conditions for the project.
- 6) Lead agencies are encouraged to incorporate into the checklist references to information sources for potential impacts (e.g., general plans, zoning ordinances). Reference to a previously prepared or outside document should, where appropriate, include a reference to the page or pages where the statement is substantiated.
- 7) Supporting Information Sources: A source list should be attached, and other sources used or individuals contacted should be cited in the discussion.
- 8) This is only a suggested form, and lead agencies are free to use different formats; however, lead agencies should normally address the questions from this checklist that are relevant to a project's environmental effects in whatever format is selected.
- 9) The explanation of each issue should identify:
 - a) the significance criteria or threshold, if any, used to evaluate each question; and
 - b) the mitigation measure identified, if any, to reduce the impact to less than significance.

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		Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant with Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impac	Analyzed In The Prior EIF
<u>I. Al</u>	ESTHETICS.					
	ept as provided in Public Resources Code Section 21099, ild the project:					
a)	Have a substantial adverse effect on a scenic vista?				\boxtimes	
•	Substantially damage scenic resources, including, but not limited to, trees, rock outcroppings, and historic buildings within a state scenic highway?				\boxtimes	
	In non-urbanized areas, substantially degrade the existing visual character or quality of public views of the site and its surroundings? (Public views are those that are experienced from publically accessible vantage point). If the project is in an urbanized area, would the project conflict with applicable zoning and other regulations governing scenic quality?				\boxtimes	
	Create a new source of substantial light or glare which would adversely affect day or nighttime views in the area?				\boxtimes	

a-d) This project is a Zone Reclassification application to reclassify the zoning designation of a 5.9-acre portion of three (3) parcels totaling 381.51-acres from AG-40 (General Agriculture, 40-Acre Minimum) and C-FS (Freeway Services Commercial) to I-W (Warehouse), reclassify the zoning designation of a 3.5-acre portion of three (3) parcels totaling 381.51-acres from C-FS (Freeway Services Commercial) to AU-20 (Agriculture-Urban Reserve, 20-Acre minimum), and reclassify the zoning designation of a 372.11-acre portion three (3) parcels totaling 381.51-acres from AG-40 (General Agriculture, 40-Acre Minimum) to AU-20 (Agriculture-Urban Reserve, 20-Acre Minimum). There is an existing quarry operation, and a farm machinery sales establishment on-site. The underlying project is to establish a construction equipment sales facility on the existing developed portion. The project site is not located along a scenic vista route, and the surrounding area is a mixture of agricultural and residential uses.

		Potentially Significant	Significant with Mitigation	Less Than Significant	No	Analyzed In The
In a significant in the signific	determining whether impacts to agricultural resources are nificant environmental effects, lead agencies may refer to a California Agricultural Land Evaluation and Site sessment Model (1997) prepared by the California Dept. of inservation as an optional model to use in assessing pacts on agriculture and farmland. In determining whether pacts to forest resources, including timberland, are inficant environmental effects, lead agencies may refer to inficant environmental effects, lead agencies and refer to inficant environmental effects, lead agencies are refer to infi	Impact	Incorporated	Impact	Прасс	Prior EIR
	Convert Prime Farmland, Unique Farmland, or Farmland of Statewide Importance (Farmland), as shown on the maps prepared pursuant to the Farmland Mapping and Monitoring Program of the California Resources Agency, to nonagricultural use?			\boxtimes		
b)	Conflict with existing zoning for agricultural use, or a Williamson Act contract?			\boxtimes		
c)	Conflict with existing zoning for, or cause rezoning of, forest land (as defined in Public Resources Code section 12220(g)), timberland (as defined by Public Resources Code section 4526), or timberland zoned Timberland Production (as defined by Government Code section 51104(g))?			\boxtimes		
d)	Result in the loss of forest land or conversion of forest land to non-forest use?			\boxtimes		
e)	Involve other changes in the existing environment which, due to their location or nature, could result in conversion of Farmland, to non-agricultural use or conversion of forest land to non-forest use?			\boxtimes		

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Impact Discussion:

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Wh app dis	AIR QUALITY. here available, the significance criteria established by the olicable air quality management or air pollution control trict may be relied upon to make the following terminations. Would the project:					
a)	Conflict with or obstruct implementation of the applicable air quality plan?			\boxtimes		
b)	Result in a cumulatively considerable net increase of any criteria pollutant for which the project region is non-attainment under an applicable federal or state ambient air quality standard?			\boxtimes		
c)	Expose sensitive receptors to substantial pollutant concentrations?			\boxtimes		
d)	Result in substantial emissions (such as those leading to odors) adversely affecting a substantial number of people?			\boxtimes		

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	BIOLOGICAL RESOURCES:					
Wc	ould the project:					
a)	Have a substantial adverse effect, either directly or through habitat modifications, on any species identified as a candidate, sensitive, or special status species in local or regional plans, policies, or regulations, or by the California Department of Fish and Game or U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service?			\boxtimes		
b)	Have a substantial adverse effect on any riparian habitat or other sensitive natural community identified in local or regional plans, policies, regulations or by the California Department of Fish and Game or US Fish and Wildlife Service?					
c)	Have a substantial adverse effect on state or federally protected wetlands (including, but not limited to, marsh, vernal pool, coastal, etc.) through direct removal, filling, hydrological interruption, or other means?			\boxtimes		
d)	Interfere substantially 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 native wildlife nursery sites?			\boxtimes		
e)	Conflict with any local policies or ordinances protecting biological resources, such as a tree preservation policy or ordinance?			\boxtimes		
f)	Conflict with the provisions of an adopted Habitat Conservation Plan, Natural Community Conservation Plan, or other approved local, regional, or state habitat conservation plan?			\boxtimes		

a) This project is a zone reclassification application to reclassify the zoning designations of three parcels totaling 381.51-acres to align with the General Plan designations. The underlying project is to establish a construction equipment sales facility on an existing developed portion of the property. The Natural Diversity Database list the Swainson's hawk (Buteo Swainsoni), burrowing owl (Athene cunicularia), riparian brush rabbit (Sylvilagus bachmani riparius), tricolored blackbird (Agelaius tricolor), Wright's trichocoronis (trichocoronis wrightii), Delta button-celery (Eryngium racemosum), California Tiger Salamander (Ambystoma califoriese), and the slough thistle (Cirsium crassicaule) as rare, endangered, or threatened species as potentially occurring in or near the site. Participation in the San Joaquin County Multi-Species Habitat Conservation and Open Space Plan (SJMSCP) would address any potential impacts to rare, endangered or threatened species, or habitat located on or near the site. Pursuant to the Final EIR/EIS for the San Joaquin County Multi-Species Habitat Conservation and Open Space Plan (SJMSCP), dated November 15, 2000, and certified by the San Joaquin Council of Governments on December 7, 2000, implementation of the SJMSCP is expected to reduce impacts to biological resources resulting from the proposed project to a level of less than significant. The project applicant has indicated they will participate in the plan and by participating in the plan this would reduce potential impacts on special-status plant and animal species to a lessthan-significant level.

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<u>V. (</u>	CULTURAL RESOURCES.	•	•	•	•	
	ould the project:					
a)	Cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a historical resource pursuant to \$15064.5?			\boxtimes		
b)	Cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of an archaeological resource pursuant to § 15064.5?			\boxtimes		
c)	Disturb any human remains, including those interred outside of dedicated cemeteries?			\boxtimes		

a – c) This project is a zone reclassification application to reclassify the zoning designations of three parcels totaling 381.51-acres to align with the General Plan designations. The underlying project is to establish a construction equipment sales facility on an existing developed portion of the property. In the event human remains are encountered during any portion of the underlying project, California state law requires that there shall be no further excavation or disturbance of the site or any nearby area reasonably suspected to overlie adjacent remains until the coroner of the county has determined manner and cause of death, and the recommendations concerning the treatment and disposition of the human remains have been made to the person responsible for the excavation (California Health and Safety Code - Section 7050.5). At the time development, if Human burials are found to be of Native American origin, the developer shall follow the procedures pursuant to Title 14, Division 6, Chapter 3, Article 5, Section 15064.5(e) of the California State Code of Regulations.

		Potentially Significant Impact	Significant with Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	Analyzed In The Prior EIR
VI.	ENERGY.				
٧c	ould the project:				
a)	Result in a potentially significant environmental impact due to wasteful, inefficient, or unnecessary consumption of energy, or wasteful use of energy resources, during project construction or operation?			\boxtimes	
b)	Conflict with or obstruct a state or local plan for renewable energy or energy efficiency?			\boxtimes	

a,b) The California Energy Code (also titled The Energy Efficiency Standards for Residential and Non-residential Buildings) was created by the California Building Standards Commission in response to a legislative mandate to reduce California's energy consumption. The code's purpose is to advance the state's energy policy, develop renewable energy sources and prepare for energy emergencies. These standards are updated periodically by the California Energy Commission. The code includes energy conservation standards applicable to most buildings throughout California. These requirements will be applicable to the proposed underlying project ensuring that any impacts to the environment due to wasteful, inefficient, or unnecessary consumption of energy will be reduced to less than significant and help to prevent any conflict with state or local plans for energy efficiency and renewable energy.

			Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant with Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impac	Analyzed In The t Prior EIR
		OLOGY AND SOILS.	•	·	·	•	
	Dire	the project: ectly or indirectly cause potential substantial adverse ects, including the risk of loss, injury, or death involving:			\boxtimes		
	·	Rupture of a known earthquake fault, as delineated on the most recent Alquist-Priolo Earthquake Fault Zoning Map issued by the State Geologist for the area or based on other substantial evidence of a known fault? Refer to Division of Mines and Geology Special Publication 42.					
	ii)	Strong seismic ground shaking?			\boxtimes		
	iii)	Seismic-related ground failure, including liquefaction?			\boxtimes		
	iv)	Landslides?			\boxtimes		
b)	Res	sult in substantial soil erosion or the loss of topsoil?			\boxtimes		
c)	wou pote	located on a geologic unit or soil that is unstable, or that uld become unstable as a result of the project, and entially result in on- or off-site landslide, lateral eading, subsidence, liquefaction or collapse?			\boxtimes		
d)		located on expansive soil and create direct or indirect is to life or property?			\boxtimes		
e)	sep	ve soils incapable of adequately supporting the use of tic tanks or alternative waste water disposal systems ere sewers are not available for the disposal of waste er?					
f)		ectly or indirectly destroy a unique paleontological ource or site or unique geologic feature?				\boxtimes	

(a-f) The Soil Survey of San Joaquin County classifies the soil on the parcel as Columbia fine sandy loam, 0 to 2 percent slopes; Columbia fine sandy loam's, clayey substratum, 0 to 2 percent slopes; Egbert silty clay loam's, 0 to 2 percent slopes; and Merritt silty clay loam,, 0 to 2 percent slopes.

Columbia fine sandy loam's permeability is moderately rapid and water capacity is moderate. This unit is suited to irrigated row and field crops. Columbia fine sandy loam has a storie index rating of 85 and a land capability of IIs irrigated and IVw nonirrigated.

Columbia fine sandy loam's, clayey substratum's permeability is moderately rapid in the upper part Colombia soil and slow in the clayey substratum. Available water capacity is moderate. This unit is suited to irrigated row and field crops. Columbia fine sandy loam, clayey substratum has a storie index rating of 48 and a land capability of IIw irrigated and IVw nonirrigated.

Egbert silty clay loam's permeability is moderately slow and water capacity is very high. This unit is suited to irrigated row and field crops. Egbert silty clay loam has a storie index rating of 58 and a land capability of IIw irrigated and IVw nonirrigated.

Merritt silty clay loam's permeability is moderately slow and water capacity is high. This unit is suited to irrigated row crops. Merritt silty clay loam has a storie index rating of 58 and a land capability of IIw irrigated and IVw nonirrigated.

The project site contains expansive soil. At the time of future development, the Building Division will require a soils report to be submitted with a Building Permit application. Therefore, the effects of expansive soil to the underlying project are expected to be less than significant.

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	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant with Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact	Analyzed In The Prior EIR
VIII. GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS.		i			
Would the project:					
a) Generate greenhouse gas emissions, either directly or indirectly, that may have a significant impact on the environment?			\boxtimes		
b) Conflict with an applicable plan, policy or regulation adopted for the purpose of reducing the emissions of greenhouse gases?			\boxtimes		

a-b) This project is a zone reclassification application to reclassify the zoning designations of three parcels totaling 381.51-acres to align with the General Plan designations. The underling project is to establish a construction equipment sales facility on an existing developed portion of the property. Emissions of GHG's contributing to global climate change are attributable in large part to human activities associated with the industrial/manufacturing, utility, transportation, residential, and agricultural sectors. Therefore, the cumulative global emissions of GHGs contributing to global climate change can be attributed to every nation, region, and city, and virtually every individual on earth. An individual project's GHG emissions are at a micro-scale level relative to global emissions and effects to global climate change; however, an individual project could result in a cumulatively considerable incremental contribution to a significant cumulative macro-scale impact. As such, impacts related to emissions of GHG are inherently considered cumulative impacts.

Implementation of the underlying project would cumulatively contribute to increases of GHG emissions. Estimated GHG emissions attributable to future development would be primarily associated with increases of carbon dioxide (CO_2) and, to a lesser extent, other GHG pollutants, such as methane (CH_4) and nitrous oxide (N_2O) associated with area sources, mobile sources or vehicles, utilities (electricity and natural gas), water usage, wastewater generation, and the generation of solid waste. The primary source of GHG emissions for the project would be mobile source emissions. The common unit of measurement for GHG is expressed in terms of annual metric tons of CO_2 equivalents $(MTCO_2e/yr)$.

The underlying project will be subject to the rules and regulations of the SJVAPCD. The SJVAPCD has adopted the *Guidance for Valley Land- use Agencies in Addressing GHG Emission Impacts for New Projects under CEQA* and the *District Policy – Addressing GHG Emission Impacts for Stationary Source Projects Under CEQA When Serving as the Lead Agency.* The guidance and policy rely on the use of performance-based standards, otherwise known as Best Performance Standards (BPS) to assess significance of project specific greenhouse gas emissions on global climate change during the environmental review process, as required by CEQA. To be determined to have a less-than-significant individual and cumulative impact with regard to GHG emissions, projects must include BPS sufficient to reduce GHG emissions by 29 percent when compared to Business As Usual (BAU) GHG emissions. Per the SJVAPCD, BAU is defined as projected emissions for the 2002-2004 baseline period. Projects which do not achieve a 29 percent reduction from BAU levels with BPS alone are required to quantify additional project-specific reductions demonstrating a combined reduction of 29 percent. Potential mitigation measures may include, but not limited to: on-site renewable energy (e.g. solar photovoltaic systems), electric vehicle charging stations, the use of alternative-fueled vehicles, exceeding Title 24 energy efficiency standards, the installation of energy-efficient lighting and control systems, the installation of energy-efficient mechanical systems, the installation of drought-tolerant landscaping, efficient irrigation systems, and the use of low-flow plumbing fixtures.

It should be noted that neither the SJVAPCD nor the County provide project-level thresholds for construction-related GHG emissions. Construction GHG emissions are a one-time release and are, therefore, not typically expected to generate a significant contribution to global climate change.

¹ San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District. Guidance for Valley Land-use Agencies in Addressing GHG

Emission Impacts for New Projects under CEQA. December 17, 2009. San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District. District Policy Addressing GHG Emission Impacts for Stationary Source Projects Under CEQA When Serving as the Lead Agency. December 17, 2009.

IX. HAZARDS AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS.	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant Impact	No	Analyzed In The Prior EIR
Would the project: a) Create a significant hazard to the public or the environmenthrough the routine transport, use, or disposal of hazardo materials?		\boxtimes		
b) Create a significant hazard to the public or the environment through reasonably foreseeable upset and accide conditions involving the release of hazardous materials in the environment?	nt	\boxtimes		
c) Emit hazardous emissions or handle hazardous or acut hazardous materials, substances, or waste within or quarter mile of an existing or proposed school?		\boxtimes		
d) Be located on a site which is included on a list of hazardo materials sites compiled pursuant to Government Co Section 65962.5 and, as a result, would it create significant hazard to the public or the environment?	de	\boxtimes		
e) For a project located within an airport land use plan where such a plan has not been adopted, within two mi of a public airport or public use airport, would the project result in a safety hazard or excessive noise for peo- residing or working in the project area?	es ect ┌┐	\boxtimes		
f) Impair implementation of or physically interfere with adopted emergency response plan or emerger evacuation plan?		\boxtimes		
g) Expose people or structures, either directly or indirectly, a significant risk of loss, injury or death involving wildla fires, including where wildlands are adjacent to urbaniz areas or where residences are intermixed with wildlands	nd ed 🔲	\boxtimes		

Impact Discussion:

a-g) This project is a Zone Reclassification application to reclassify the zoning designation of a 5.9-acre portion of three (3) parcels totaling 381.51-acres from AG-40 (General Agriculture, 40-Acre Minimum) and C-FS (Freeway Services Commercial) to I-W (Warehouse), reclassify the zoning designation of a 3.5-acre portion of three (3) parcels totaling 381.51-acres from C-FS (Freeway Services Commercial) to AU-20 (Agriculture-Urban Reserve, 20-Acre minimum), and reclassify the zoning designation of a 372.11-acre portion three (3) parcels totaling 381.51-acres from AG-40 (General Agriculture, 40-Acre Minimum) to AU-20 (Agriculture-Urban Reserve, 20-Acre Minimum). The existing farm machinery sales facility is located within a portion of the parcel already developed. The underlying project is to establish a construction equipment sales facility on an existing developed portion of the parcel.

The project would not result in, create or induce hazards and associated risks to the public. Construction activities for the project typically involve the use of toxic or hazardous materials such as paint, fuels, and solvents. Construction activities would be subject to federal, state, and local laws and requirements designed to minimize and avoid potential health and safety risks associated with hazardous materials. No significant impacts are anticipated related to the transport, use, or storage of hazardous materials during construction activities are

anticipated.

			Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant with Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact	Analyzed In The Prior EIR
		PROLOGY AND WATER QUALITY.	•	·	•	•	
a)	Vio req	the project: blate any water quality standards or waste discharge puirements or otherwise substantially degrade surface or bund water quality?				\boxtimes	
b) ·	sub pro	bstantially decrease groundwater supplies or interfere ostantially with groundwater recharge such that the bject may impede sustainable groundwater inagement of the basin?				\boxtimes	
c)	or a	bstantially alter the existing drainage pattern of the site area, including through the alteration of the course of a eam or river or through the addition of impervious faces, in a manner which would:				\boxtimes	. 🗆
	i)	result in substantial erosion or siltation on- or off-site;				\boxtimes	
	ii)	substantially increase the rate or amount of surface runoff in a manner which would result in flooding on- or off-site;				\boxtimes	
	iii)	create or contribute runoff water which would exceed the capacity of existing or planned stormwater drainage systems or provide substantial additional sources of polluted runoff; or				\boxtimes	
	iv)	impede or redirect flood flows?				\boxtimes	
d)		flood hazard, tsunami, or seiche zones, risk release of lutants due to project inundation?			\boxtimes		
e)		nflict with or obstruct implementation of a water quality ntrol plan or sustainable groundwater management n?			\boxtimes		

d,e) This project is a zone reclassification application to reclassify the zoning designations of three parcels totaling 381.51-acres to align with the existing General Plan designations. The underlying project is to establish a construction equipment sales facility on an existing developed portion of the property. The project site is located in the Flood Zone AE flood designations. A referral was sent to the Department of Public Works Flood Control Division for comments. At the time of future development, all new construction and the substantial improvement of any structure in the area of special flood hazard shall be elevated or flood-proofed in accordance to San Joaquin County Development Title Section 9-1605.12(a),(b), and (c). In addition, the project site may contain potential wetlands. A referral was sent to the Army Corps of Engineers for review.

The project area is located approximately 610 feet south of the Paradise Cut. Any future development will be subject to the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board's rules and regulations.

		Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant with Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No	Analyzed In The t Prior EIR
_	LAND USE AND PLANNING.	•				
	ould the project:					
a)	Physically divide an established community?				\boxtimes	
b)	Cause a significant environmental impact due to a conflict with any land use plan, policy, or regulation adopted for the purpose of avoiding or mitigating an environmental effect?			\boxtimes	<u> </u>	

b) This project is a Zone Reclassification application to reclassify the zoning designation of a 5.9-acre portion of three (3) parcels totaling 381.51-acres from AG-40 (General Agriculture, 40-Acre Minimum) and C-FS (Freeway Services Commercial) to I-W (Warehouse), reclassify the zoning designation of a 3.5-acre portion of three (3) parcels totaling 381.51-acres from C-FS (Freeway Services Commercial) to AU-20 (Agriculture-Urban Reserve, 20-Acre minimum), and reclassify the zoning designation of a 372.11-acre portion three (3) parcels totaling 381.51-acres from AG-40 (General Agriculture, 40-Acre Minimum) to AU-20 (Agriculture-Urban Reserve, 20-Acre Minimum). The existing farm machinery sales facility is located within a portion of the parcel already developed. The underlying project is to establish a construction equipment sales facility on an existing developed portion of the property.

The project site is located within the Secondary Zone of the Delta. Referrals have been sent to the Delta Protection Commission and the Delta Stewardship Council for review.

		Potentially Significant Impact	Significant with Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact	Analyzed In The Prior EIR
XII.	MINERAL RESOURCES.	•	•	•	•	
Wc	ould the project:					
a)	Result in the loss of availability of a known_mineral resource that would be of value to the region and the residents of the state?			\boxtimes		
b)	Result in the loss of availability of a locally- important mineral resource recovery site delineated on a local general plan, specific plan or other land use plan?			\boxtimes		

a, b) San Joaquin County applies a mineral resource zone (MRZ) designation to land that meets the significant mineral deposits definition by the State Division of Mines and Geology. The project site is predominately in the MRZ-2 zone, with a small portion in the MRZ-1 zone. The project site contains a permitted Quarry Excavation that is vested through the California Department of Conservation, Division of Mine Reclamation (Mine Identification Number 91-39-0002). Minerals of significance are already being extracted from the project site as a result of the permitted Quarry Excavation. There is also a farm machinery sales establishment on site. The underlying project is to establish a construction equipment sales facility that will occupy a portion of three (3) parcels totaling 381.51-acres. The underlying project will have a less than significant impact on the availability of mineral resources for this site.

	•	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant with Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact	Analyzed In The t Prior EIR
Wc	l. NOISE. ould the project result in: Generation of a substantial temporary or permanent	·	·	·	·	
a)	increase in ambient noise levels in the vicinity of the project in excess of standards established in the local general plan or noise ordinance, or applicable standards of other agencies?			\boxtimes		Ĺ
b)	Generation of excessive groundborne vibration or groundborne noise levels?			\boxtimes		
c)	For a project within the vicinity of a private airstrip or an airport land use plan, or where such a plan has not been adopted, within two miles of a public airport or public use airport, would the project expose people residing or working in the project area to excessive noise levels?			\boxtimes		

a-c) This project is a zone reclassification application to reclassify the zoning designations of three parcels totaling 381.51-acres to align with the General Plan designations. The underlying project is to establish a construction equipment sales facility on an existing developed portion of the property. The project site is located within the 65 dB noise contour for Interstate 5. Pursuant to General Plan 2035 Background Report Table 15-8 (page 15-25), the 65 dB noise contour is 1,595 feet from the side of the road. The existing land uses are a Quarry Excavation, Farm Machinery Sales, and the proposed construction equipment sales facility are not considered noise sensitive land uses. As a result, noise impacts are expected to be less than significant.

		Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant with Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impac	Analyzed In The t Prior EIR
<u>XIV</u>	/. POPULATION AND HOUSING.					
Wo	ould the project:					
	Induce substantial unplanned population growth in an area, either directly (for example, by proposing new homes and businesses) or indirectly (for example, through extension of roads or other infrastructure)?			\boxtimes		
b)	Displace substantial numbers of existing people or housing, necessitating the construction of replacement housing elsewhere?			\boxtimes		

a-b) The proposed project is a Zone Reclassification and will not result in displacement of the population and affect the amount of proposed or existing housing in the vicinity. There is an existing quarry operation, and farm machinery sales establishment on site. The underlying project is to establish a construction equipment sales facility, which will serve the existing population in the area. Jobs and employment opportunities created from the project would most likely be absorbed by the employment needs of the existing residents of the area. Therefore, the project's impact on population and housing will be less than significant.

	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant with Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impac	Analyzed In The t Prior EIR
XV. PUBLIC SERVICES. a) Would the project 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 any of the public services:				\boxtimes	
Fire protection?				\boxtimes	
Police protection?				\boxtimes	
Schools?				\boxtimes	
Parks?				\boxtimes	
Other public facilities?				\boxtimes	

The project is Zone Reclassification and there will be no impacts on public services. The potential effects of the underlying project on public services will be analyzed at the time project submission.

	Potentially Significant Impact	Significant with Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact	Analyzed In The Prior EIR
XVI. RECREATION. a) Would the project 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?				X	
b) Does the project include recreational facilities or require the construction or expansion of recreational facilities which might have an adverse physical effect on the environment?				\boxtimes	
Impact Discussion:					
N/A					

		Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant with Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact	Analyzed In The Prior EIR
	II. TRANSPORTATION. buld the project:	- -	·			
	Conflict with a program plan, ordinance, or policy addressing the circulation system, including transit, roadways, bicycle, and pedestrian facilities?				\boxtimes	
b)	Would the project conflict or be inconsistent with CEQA Guidelines section 15064.3, subdivision (b)?					
c)	Substantially increase hazards due to a geometric design feature (e.g., sharp curves or dangerous intersections) or incompatible uses (e.g., farm equipment)?				\boxtimes	
d)	Result in inadequate emergency access?				\boxtimes	
lm	nact Discussion					

The proposed application is a Zone Reclassification. However, project development would not occur on the parcels until a development application is reviewed and approved by the Community Development Department. At that time, traffic impacts will be reviewed by the Department of Public Works and Caltrans to ensure any impacts would a,c) be reduced to a less than significant impact.

	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant with Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact	Analyzed In The Prior EIR
II. TRIBAL CULTURAL RESOURCES. Would the project cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a tribal cultural resource, defined in Public Resources Code section 21074 as either a site, feature, place, cultural landscape that is geographically defined in terms of the size and scope of the landscape, sacred place, or object with cultural value to a California Native American tribe, and that is:					
i) Listed or eligible for listing in the California Register of Historical Resources, or in a local register of historical resources as defined in Public Resources Code section 5020.1(k), or			\boxtimes		
ii) A resource determined by the lead agency, in its discretion and supported by substantial evidence, to be significant pursuant to criteria set forth in subdivision (c) of Public Resources Code Section 5024.1. In applying the criteria set forth in subdivision (c) of Public Resource Code Section 5024.1, the lead agency shall consider the significance of the resource to a California Native American tribe.			\boxtimes		

a) The proposed application is a Zone Reclassification. At the time of future development, if Human burials are found to be of Native American origin, the developer shall follow procedures pursuant to Title 14, Division 6, Chapter 3, Article 5, Section 15064(e) of the California State Code of Regulations If human remains are encountered, all work shall halt in the vicinity and the County Coroner shall be notified immediately. At the same time, a qualified archaeologist shall be contacted to evaluate the finds. If Human burials are found to be of Native American origin, steps shall be taken pursuant to Section 15064.5(e) of Guidelines for the California Environmental Quality Act. A referral was sent to Katherine Perez of the North Valley Yokuts Tribe for review.

XIX	(, UTILITIES AND SERVICE SYSTEMS.	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant with Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact	Analyzed In The Prior EIR
	relocation of which could cause significant environmental effects?			\boxtimes		
b)	Have sufficient water supplies available to serve the project and reasonably foreseeable future development during normal, dry and multiple dry years?			\boxtimes		
c)	Result in a determination by the wastewater treatment provider which serves or may serve the project that it has adequate capacity to serve the project's projected demand in addition to the provider's existing commitments?			\boxtimes		
d)	Generate solid waste in excess of State or local standards, or in excess of the capacity of local infrastructure, or otherwise impair the attainment of solid waste reduction goals?			. 🗆	\boxtimes	
e)	Comply with federal, state, and local management and reduction statutes and regulations related to solid waste?				\boxtimes	

a-c) This project is a zone reclassification application to reclassify the zoning designations of three parcels totaling 381.51-acres to align with the underlying General Plan designations. The underlying project is to establish a construction equipment sales facility on an existing developed portion of the property. The applicant has provided will-serve letters for the project site from the Oakwood Lake Water District for water and storm drainage service as a part of the application request. The 2035 General Plan, Table IS-2 states that individual commercial systems may be permitted in the Warehouse Industrial zone. Therefore, the underlying project would have a less than significant impact on existing utilities and services.

		Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant with Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact	Analyzed In The Prior EIR
If cla	. WILDFIRE. located in or near state responsibility areas or lands ssified as very high fire hazard severity zones, would the bject:					
-	Substantially impair an adopted emergency response plan or emergency evacuation plan?				\boxtimes	
b)	Due to slope, prevailing winds, and other factors, exacerbate wildfire risks, and thereby expose project occupants to pollutant concentrations from a wildfire or the uncontrolled spread of a wildfire?				\boxtimes	
c)	Require the installation or maintenance of associated infrastructure (such as roads, fuel breaks, emergency water sources, power lines or other utilities) that may exacerbate fire risk or that may result in temporary or ongoing impacts to the environment?				\boxtimes	
d)	Expose people or structures to significant risks, including downslope or downstream flooding or landslides, as a result of runoff, post-fire slope instability, or drainage changes?				\boxtimes	

N/A

	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant with Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact	Analyzed In The Prior EIR
a) Does the project have the potential to substantially degrade the quality of the environment, substantially reduce the habitat of a fish or wildlife species, cause a fish or wildlife population to drop below self-sustaining levels, threaten to eliminate a plant or animal community, substantially reduce the number or restrict the range of a rare or endangered plant or animal or eliminate important examples of the major periods of California history or prehistory?				\boxtimes	
b) Does the project have impacts that are individually limited, but cumulatively considerable? ("Cumulatively considerable" means that the incremental effects of a project are considerable when viewed in connection with the effects of past projects, the effects of other current projects, and the effects of probable future projects)?				\boxtimes	
c) Does the project have environmental effects which will cause substantial adverse effects on human beings, either directly or indirectly?				\boxtimes	

a-c) The proposed application does not have the potential to degrade the environment or eliminate a plant or animal community. The project would not result in significant cumulative impacts or cause substantial adverse effects on human beings, either directly or indirectly.

