



wetlands, and result in cumulative impacts to listed species and protected wetlands. These impacts would be reduced to less than significant with implementation of Mitigation Measures BIO-1 through BIO-10, which include on-site preserves, pre-construction surveys, best management practices, tree protection, and compliance with the Clean Water Act or Waste Discharge Requirements.

#### Cultural and Tribal Cultural Resources:

The proposed project could cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of an archaeological resource or tribal cultural resource, damage human remains during construction, and have a cumulative impact on cultural resources. Mitigation Measures CUL-1 through CUL-4 would reduce all impacts to less-than-significant levels by requiring a Cultural Resources Management and Unanticipated Discovery Plan, archaeological and Native American monitoring, and proper procedure in handling human remains.

#### Geology and Soils:

The proposed project could destroy a paleontological resource or unique geologic feature or result in a cumulative loss of paleontological resources. This impact would be reduced to a less-than-significant level through compliance with Mitigation Measure GEO-1 which establishes procedure in case of unanticipated discovery.

#### Greenhouse Gases:

The proposed project could generate an increase in greenhouse gas emissions and could conflict with a plan, policy or regulation to reduce greenhouse gas emissions. Mitigation Measure GHG-1 would require storage areas for recyclables and green waste. Mitigation Measure GHG-2 restates Mitigation Measures AQ-2 and AQ-3 to reduce operational-related energy consumption and GHG emissions. However, these impacts would remain significant and unavoidable.

#### Hazards and Hazardous Materials:

The proposed project could create a hazard through transport, use or disposal of hazardous materials and could expose people or structures to loss, injury, or death involving wildland fires. Mitigation Measure HAZ-1 would require a hazardous materials building survey prior to demolition and removal of former ranch buildings. Mitigation Measures WFIRE-1 and WFIRE-2 would reduce the risk of wildland fires. These impacts would be reduced to less-than-significant levels.

#### Noise:

The proposed project could result in ambient noise levels in excess of City standards and could contribute to an increase in cumulative traffic noise. Mitigation Measures NOI-1 through NOI-6 would reduce these impacts to less-than-significant levels by implementing construction and operational noise measures, and requiring either the construction of a noise protection wall or repaving a portion of E. 20th Street.

#### Transportation and Circulation:

The proposed project would generate demand for pedestrian facilities, and generate an average total VMT per service population that is 86% of the average total VMT per service population in the region. Mitigation Measure TRAF-1 would require construction of a Class I Bike Path/Multi-use trail and Mitigation Measure TRAF-2 would require implementation of a Transportation Demand Management Plan. These impacts would be reduced to less-than-significant levels.

#### Wildfire:

The proposed project may exacerbate wildfire risk and exposure future residents to post-fire risks. Mitigation Measures WFIRE-1 through WFIRE-3 would reduce impacts to less than significant with preparation of a Construction Fire Prevention Plan, updates to the VESP Firewise Guidelines, and post-fire field assessments.

If applicable, describe any of the project's areas of controversy known to the Lead Agency, including issues raised by agencies and the public.

Increase in traffic on area roadways, installation of a roundabout on Skyway, development within the wildland urban interface(WUI), increase in flooding on-site and off-site, and access to affordable housing

Provide a list of the responsible or trustee agencies for the project.

- Butte County Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCo), annexation of the project site to the City of Chico
- U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Clean Water Act Section 404 Permit
- Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board, Clean Water Act Section 401 Water Quality Certification and Section 402 National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit
- California Department of Fish and Wildlife, Section 1602 Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement and Section 2081 Incidental Take Permit
- U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Endangered Species Act Section 7 Biological Opinion and Incidental Take Permit
- CALFIRE, Fire Protection Development Standards
- State Historic Preservation Office – Section 106 Consultation