

Palo Comado Creek Linear Park Project Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting					
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AIR-1	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The project proponent (City of Agoura Hills) shall comply with all applicable SCAQMD Rules and Regulations, including Rule 403 ensuring the cleanup of construction-related dirt on approach routes to the site. Rule 403 prohibits the release of fugitive dust emissions from any active operation, open storage pile or disturbed surface area visible beyond the property line of the emission source. 2. The project proponent shall comply with all SCAQMD established minimum requirements for construction activities to reduce fugitive dust and PM₁₀ emissions. 3. Adequate water techniques shall be employed to mitigate the impact of construction-related dust particulates. Portions of the site that are undergoing surface earth moving operations shall be dewatered such that a crust will be formed on the ground surface, and then watered again at the end of each day. Site watering shall be performed as necessary to mitigate blowing dust. 4. Any vegetative cover to be utilized onsite shall be planted as soon as possible to reduce the disturbed area subject to wind erosion. Irrigation systems required 	City of Agoura Hills	Construction	City of Agoura Hills	N/A



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	<p>for these plants shall be installed as soon as possible to maintain good ground cover and to minimize wind erosion of the soil.</p> <p>5. Grading operations shall be suspended during first stage ozone episodes or when winds exceed 25 mph. A high wind response plan shall be formulated for enhanced dust control if winds are forecast to exceed 25 mph in any upcoming 24-hour period.</p> <p>6. Any construction equipment using direct internal combustion engines shall use a diesel fuel with a maximum of 0.05 percent sulfur and four-degree retard.</p> <p>7. Construction operations affecting off-site roadways shall be scheduled by implementing traffic hours and shall minimize obstruction of through traffic lanes.</p> <p>8. The engines of idling trucks or heavy equipment shall be turned off if the expected duration of idling exceeds five minutes.</p> <p>9. On-site heavy equipment used during grading and construction shall be equipped with diesel particulate filters unless it is demonstrated that such</p>				



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	<p>equipment is not available, or its use is not cost-competitive.</p> <p>10. All haul trucks leaving or entering the site shall be covered or have at least two feet of freeboard.</p> <p>11. Any on-site stockpiles of debris, dirt or other dusty material shall be covered or watered twice daily.</p> <p>12. Any site access points within 30 minutes of any visible dirt deposition on any public roadway shall be swept or washed.</p>				
BIO-1	<p>Prior to ground-disturbing activities in areas that could support sensitive biological resources, a habitat assessment shall be conducted by a qualified biologist to determine the potential for special-status wildlife species to occur within affected areas, including areas directly or indirectly impacted by construction. The qualified biologist will provide an overview of required avoidance, minimization, and mitigation measures, and will explain the correct reporting requirements during construction activities.</p>	<p align="center">City of Agoura Hills</p>	<p align="center">Pre-Construction</p>	<p align="center">City of Agoura Hills</p>	<p align="center">N/A</p>
BIO-2	<p>If a special-status wildlife species is determined to be present or potentially present within the limits of construction activities, a qualified biologist shall conduct preconstruction surveys of proposed work zones and within an appropriately</p>	<p align="center">City of Agoura Hills</p>	<p align="center">Pre-Construction</p>	<p align="center">City of Agoura Hills</p>	<p>United States Army Corps of Engineers</p> <p>United States Fish and Wildlife Service</p>



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<p>sized buffer around each area as determined by a qualified biologist within 14 days prior to ground disturbing activities. Following the surveys, the biologist shall prepare a Rare Plant Survey Letter Report detailing the results of the field surveys, including any avoidance and minimization measures, if necessary, and provide the report to the City's Environmental Analyst for review and acceptance. If any special-status species are found, or if any potential habitat capable of supporting a special-status wildlife species is found, the City of Agoura Hills and/or qualified biologist shall consult with the appropriate regulating agency (USACE/USFWS or CDFW) to determine a strategy for compliance with the Endangered Species Act, California Fish and Game Code, and other regulations protecting special-status species and sensitive habitats. Follow-up measures to minimize impacts by the project could include: flagging and fencing individual plants, translocation of sensitive plant species to an off-site protected and species-appropriate location, collecting seeds of cuttings for cultivation at the USFWS/CDFW-approved facility; or other resource agency-approved measures. Construction of the project will not begin until the appropriate permits from the regulatory agencies are approved. If no special-status species are found, no additional measures are required.</p>				<p style="text-align: center;">California Department of Fish and Wildlife</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board</p>



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<p>BIO-3</p>	<p>If construction and vegetation removal is proposed between February 1 and August 31, a qualified biologist holding appropriate state and federal permits shall conduct a pre-construction survey for breeding and nesting birds and raptors within 500-feet of the construction limits to determine and map the location and extent of breeding birds that could be affected by the project. Active nest sites located during the pre-construction surveys shall be avoided until the adults and young are no longer reliant on the nest site for survival as determined by a qualified biologist. The biologist will need to prepare a Presence/Absence report, detailing the survey results, and provide a report to the City of Agoura Hills. If a breeding or nesting bird and/or raptor is found, the project biologist shall consult with the pertinent resource agencies and implement required avoidance and/or deterrence measures, which may include placing construction tape or fencing between the habitat area and the construction footprint, placing signs indicating sensitive habitat, placing barricades to block access to the habitat, and more. If a breeding and nesting bird and/or raptor is found in the direct construction area, then construction will halt, and pertinent regulatory agencies will be contacted and consulted. If no breeding and nesting birds and/or raptors are found, then construction may proceed as scheduled with no additional monitoring or measured required.</p>	<p>City of Agoura Hills</p>	<p>Pre-Construction</p>	<p>City of Agoura Hills</p>	<p>United States Army Corps of Engineers</p> <p>United States Fish and Wildlife Service</p> <p>California Department of Fish and Wildlife</p>



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<p>BIO-4</p>	<p>To ensure compliance with the Migratory Bird Treaty Act and Sections 3503, 3503.5, and 3513 of the California Fish and Game Code, all project activities shall be conducted during the non-nesting season for raptors (July 1 to January 31) and the non-nesting season for birds (September 16 to February 28) to avoid any potential disturbance of avian breeding activities. However, biological monitors may survey the surrounding area and if no active nesting is occurring within 500 feet of the impact area, the construction may proceed during the nesting timeframes. The extent of the survey buffer area surrounding the site shall be established by the biologist to ensure that direct and indirect effects to nesting birds are avoided. The surveys shall be timed such that the last is concluded no more than one week prior to ground and vegetation disturbance activities. If ground or vegetation disturbance activities are delayed, then additional pre-disturbance surveys shall be conducted such that no more than one week shall have elapsed between the last survey and the ground disturbing activities.</p> <p>The biologist shall establish a suitable buffer (e.g., 30-150 feet for passerines; 300-500 feet for raptors) around active (defined as a nest with eggs or young) nests. No construction shall</p>	<p>City of Agoura Hills</p>	<p>Pre-Construction</p>	<p>City of Agoura Hills</p>	<p>N/A</p>



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	<p>occur within the buffer until the biologist has determined that the nest is no longer active (e.g., the nestlings have fledged and are no longer reliant on the nest). Encroachment into the buffer shall only occur at the discretion of a qualified biologist.</p> <p>Limits of construction to avoid a nest site shall be established in the field with flagging and stakes or construction fencing, and construction personnel shall be instructed regarding the ecological sensitivity of the fenced area. If no active nests are found during the survey(s), construction shall continue as scheduled. A report discussing the results of the nesting bird survey(s) shall be submitted for review by the City Environmental Analyst prior to any vegetation removal, and issuance of a Building Permit or Grading Permit, whichever occurs first.</p> <p>If no nesting birds are found within the biologically sensitive area during the pre-construction survey, construction activities may proceed as scheduled with no additional monitoring or measures implemented.</p>				
BIO-5	To avoid impacts to riparian habitats and sensitive natural communities, the following Best	City of Agoura Hills	Construction	City of Agoura Hills	N/A



	<p>Management Practices (BMPs) shall be implemented:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) The project footprint/work area shall be delineated with high-contrast flagging and stakes or other fencing to prevent inadvertent access by construction equipment and personnel into adjacent sensitive habitat areas, including habitat for special status species. The flagging/staking or fencing shall be designed such that wildlife may continue to pass through the area. 2) The project footprint shall be sized to the minimum dimensions required to accomplish the project to minimize impacts to the waterway. 3) All trash shall be cleaned up and disposed of properly at the end of each work day. 4) Equipment shall be maintained and inspected so that no contaminant leaks occur. 5) Silt fencing shall be installed in upland areas to reduce potential for pollutants to enter the channel, including topsoil and construction debris. Construction supervisors shall ensure that the silt fencing is cleared of debris following storm events. 				
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CUL-1	<p>Because of the low sensitivity of the project area for archaeological resources, there is no monitoring work anticipated.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ A Worker’s Environmental Awareness Program (WEAP) training also known as “Environmental Awareness,” or “Cultural Resource Sensitivity,” training will be provided to the construction crews prior to any ground-disturbing construction activities and the procedures to follow when such material is found. ➤ A Qualified Archaeologist shall be present at the pre-construction meeting to advise construction personnel about the sensitive nature of cultural resources that may be found during project ground-disturbing construction activities. ➤ Construction personnel shall be informed of the types of archaeological or tribal cultural resources that may be encountered, and of the proper protocols for notification. Construction personnel shall attend the training and shall retain documentation demonstrating attendance. 	City of Agoura Hills	Construction	City of Agoura Hills	Native American Heritage Commission



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CUL-2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ If any cultural resources or artifacts are discovered during construction, the City’s Environmental Analyst shall be notified immediately, and construction activities shall cease until the archaeologist has examined the find. If a Native American site is uncovered, construction in that area shall be suspended until the project archaeologist, can properly assess the resource(s) and identify the appropriate measures to ensure that the resource(s) would not be adversely affected. If cultural resources are identified during project construction, a professional archaeologist and a Native American monitor shall be present for the remainder of ground-disturbing project construction activities. If cultural resources are identified during project construction, a professional archaeologist and a Native American monitor shall be present for the remainder of ground-disturbing project construction activities. ➤ Equipment stoppages prescribed by the archaeologist shall involve only construction work that will damage the archaeological deposits, as prescribed by the archaeological monitor (or lead 	City of Agoura Hills	Construction	City of Agoura Hills	Native American Heritage Commission



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	<p>project archaeologist) and the Native American monitor. Other construction work may continue outside the area of the find, at a distance determined by the archaeological monitor (or lead project archaeologist) and the Native American monitor, if that outside area is being monitored by an archaeological monitor. The purpose of stopping the equipment is to protect cultural resources that would otherwise be impacted and said equipment may undertake work in other areas of the project away from discovered resources.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ If the archaeologist determines that an archaeological resource may be a unique resource, as defined by Section 21083.2 of the PRC, or a historical resource, as defined by Section 21084.1, or an important resource, as defined by the previous Appendix K of the CEQA guidelines, Phase II testing or surface evaluation (if determined adequate by the qualified archaeologist) of the find shall be conducted. According to the City’s General Plan Policy HR-3.2, excavation of deposits of Native American origin will be coordinated with 				



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	<p>and monitored by recognized Chumash representatives.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ The site shall be treated in accordance with the provisions of Section 21083.2, Section 21084.1, or the previous CEQA Guidelines Appendix K, with mitigation as appropriate. Depending on the nature of the find, such mitigation may include, but would not be limited to, avoidance, documentation, data collection, or other appropriate actions to be determined by the archaeologist, and where applicable, the Native American monitor. ➤ If unique or important archaeological resources cannot be avoided, a data collection program may be warranted, including mapping the location of artifacts, surface collection of artifacts, or excavation of the cultural deposit to characterize the nature of the buried portions of the sites. Curation of the excavated artifacts or samples shall occur as specified by the archaeologist. If the find is determined not to be a unique, significant, or important archaeological resource, no further 				



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	<p>archaeological action is necessary, and construction may continue.</p>				
<p>CUL-3</p>	<p>In compliance with Section 5097.98 of the Public Resources Code and Section 7050.5 of the California Health and Safety Code, if human remains are encountered, all ground disturbing activities shall be immediately suspended within 100 feet of the discovery, and the Los Angeles County Coroner should be notified immediately. If the Coroner determines the remains are Native American in origin, they must notify the Native American Heritage Commission within 24 hours of such identification so that the Native American Heritage Commission can contact the Most Likely Descendant (MLD). The MLD shall be provided access to the discovery and will provide recommendations for treatment of the remains within 48 hours of accessing the discovery site. Disposition of human remains and any associated grave goods, if encountered, shall be treated in accordance with procedures and requirements set forth in Sections 5097.94 and 5097.98 of the Public Resources Code; Section 7050.5 of the California Health and Safety Code and CEQA Guidelines Section 15064.5.</p>	<p>City of Agoura Hills</p>	<p>Construction</p>	<p>City of Agoura Hills</p>	<p>Los Angeles County Coroner Native American Heritage Commission</p>
<p>NOISE-1</p>	<p>Required general noise control measures include design measures necessary to reduce the construction noise levels to where feasible.</p>	<p>City of Agoura Hills</p>	<p>Construction</p>	<p>City of Agoura Hills</p>	<p>N/A</p>



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	<p>These measures include noise barriers, curtains, or shields. Additionally, noise-generating construction activities (e.g., operation of compressors and generators, cement mixing, general truck idling) must be placed as far as possible from the nearest noise-sensitive land uses. Stationary construction noise sources will be located as far from adjacent noise-sensitive receptors as possible. For nearby noise-sensitive land uses, a liaison needs to be identified for these off-site sensitive receptors, such as residents and property owners, to contact with concerns regarding construction noise and vibration. The liaison’s telephone number(s) shall be prominently displayed at construction locations. Furthermore, for nearby noise-sensitive land uses, in writing, all landowners and occupants of properties adjacent to the construction area must be notified of the anticipated construction schedule at least 2 weeks prior to groundbreaking.</p>				
<p>NOISE-2</p>	<p>All construction activities that employ mechanized stationary equipment that generate noise levels shall comply with the applicable noise standards established by the City of Agoura Hills. The equipment shall be designed with noise-attenuating features (e.g., enclosures) and/or located at areas (e.g., belowground)</p>	<p>City of Agoura Hills</p>	<p>Construction</p>	<p>City of Agoura Hills</p>	<p>N/A</p>



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where nearby noise-sensitive land uses would not be exposed to a perceptible noise increase in their noise environment.				

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