

Summary Form for Electronic Document Submittal

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SCH #: _____

Project Title: 8588 Tesla Road Cannabis Cultivation Project

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Project Location: 8588 Tesla Road, Livermore
City

Alameda County
County

Project Description (Proposed actions, location, and/or consequences).

The proposed project consists of the construction and operation of a cannabis facility consisting of 20 hoop house structures with a total of 20,000 square feet (SF) of mature plant canopy and one hoop house with a total of 3,000 SF of immature plant canopy. The proposed project would also include the construction of four water tanks and other ancillary improvements, including security fencing and lighting, access, and parking.

Identify the project's significant or potentially significant effects and briefly describe any proposed mitigation measures that would reduce or avoid that effect.

Potentially significant effects were identified in the areas of biological resources, cultural resources, geology/soils, and tribal cultural resources. With implementation of the Mitigation Measures identified in the Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration, impacts would be mitigated to a less-than-significant level and the proposed project would not result in any significant impacts.

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

There are no known areas of controversy.

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

California Department of Food and Agriculture (Department of Cannabis Control License)
California Department of Fish and Wildlife
State Water Resources Control Board
San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board

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MITIGATION MEASURES

Mitigation Measures – Biological Resources

BIO-1 Activities that may directly affect (e.g., tree removal) or indirectly affect (e.g., noise/ground disturbance) nesting raptors or other protected avian species shall be timed to avoid the breeding season. Specifically, grading and excavation with heavy machinery and vegetation removal within 300 feet of suitable nesting habitat (i.e., trees within and adjacent to the project site) shall be scheduled during the non-breeding season (September 1 through January 31).

If avoidance of the non-breeding season is not possible, a qualified biologist shall conduct a pre-construction survey for nesting raptors or other protected avian species within 300 feet of the proposed construction activities. The survey shall be conducted no more than 14 days prior to the initiation of construction and submitted to the Planning Department. If raptor or other bird nests are identified within or immediately adjacent to the project site during the pre-construction surveys, the qualified biologist shall notify the project applicant and/or contractor and an appropriate no-disturbance buffer shall be imposed within which no construction activities or disturbance shall take place (generally 300 feet in all directions for raptors; other avian species may have species-specific requirements) until the young of the year have fledged and are no longer reliant upon the nest or parental care for survival, as determined by a qualified biologist.

A note shall be placed on Final Grading Plan that the project shall adhere to the above requirements and a copy of said standards, components, and materials shall be submitted with grading and building plans prior to issuance of building permit(s) for project development.

Mitigation Measures – Cultural and Tribal Resources

CR-1 Prior to the initiation of ground-disturbing activities, the contractor and/or project applicant shall inform all supervisory personnel and all contractors whose activities may have subsurface soil impacts of the potential for discovering archaeological resources.

If any prehistoric or historic subsurface cultural resources are discovered during ground-disturbing activities, all work within 50 feet of the resource(s) shall be halted and the project applicant shall immediately notify the Planning Department of the discovery. A qualified archaeologist shall be consulted to assess the significance of the find(s) according to CEQA Guidelines Section 15064.5. If any find is determined to be significant, representatives from the County and the archaeologist shall meet to determine the appropriate avoidance measures or other appropriate mitigation. All significant cultural

materials recovered at the site shall be, as necessary and at the discretion of the consulting archaeologist, subject to scientific analysis, professional museum curation, and documentation according to current professional standards. Appropriate mitigation may include no action, avoidance of the resource, and/or potential data recovery. Ground disturbance in the zone of suspended activity shall not commence without authorization from the archaeologist. Work may proceed on other parts of the site outside the 50-foot area while mitigation is being carried out.

CR-2 Procedures of conduct following the discovery of human remains have been mandated by Health and Safety Code Section 7050.5, PRC Section 5097398, and CEQA Guidelines Section 15064.5(e). According to the provisions of CEQA, if human remains are encountered at the site, all work in the immediate vicinity of the discovery shall cease and necessary steps to ensure the integrity of the immediate area shall be taken. The Alameda County Coroner shall be notified immediately. The Coroner shall then determine whether the remains are Native American. If the Coroner determines the remains are Native American, the Coroner shall notify the Native American Heritage Commission (NAHC) within 24 hours, who will, in turn, notify the person the NAHC identifies as the Most Likely Descendent (MLD) of any human remains. Further actions shall be determined, in part, by the desires of the MLD. The MLD has 48 hours to make recommendations regarding the disposition of the remains following notification from the NAHC of the discovery. If the MLD does not make recommendations within 48 hours, the owner shall, with appropriate dignity, reinter the remains in an area of the site secure from further disturbance. Alternatively, if the owner does not accept the MLD's recommendations, the owner of the descendant may request mediation by the NAHC.

TRC-1 Implement **Mitigation Measures CR-1** and **CR-2**.

Mitigation Measures – Geology and Soils

GEO-1 Implement **Mitigation Measures CR-1** and **CR-2**.