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Project Title: Kingsburg Area Community Plan (GPA 20-001)

Lead Agency: County of Tulare c/o Resource Management Agency

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City: Visalia

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County: Tulare County

Project Location: County: Tulare

City/Nearest Community: Kingsburg/Fresno County

Cross Streets: Generally NW of Avenue 392 & Road 16

Zip Code: 93257

Latitude./Longitude (degrees, seconds, minutes): 36° 30' 38.56" N /119° 32' 06.48" W

Total Acres: 286.4

Assessor's Parcel No: Various

Section(s):25,26,35&36 Township: 16S Range: 22E Base: M.D.B.&M.

Within 2 Miles: State Hwy: SR 99

Waterways: Kings River and C.I.D. ditch

Airports: n/a

Railways: UPRR

Schools: Lincoln Elementary / Kingsburg High

**CEQA:**

- NOP
- Early Cons
- Neg.Dec
- Mit Neg Dec
- Draft EIR
- Supplement/Subsequent EIR
- Draft EIS
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

- NEPA:
- NOI
  - EA
  - Other: \_\_\_\_\_
  - FONSI

- Other:
- Joint Document
  - Final Document

**Local Action Type:**

- General Plan Update
- General Plan Amendment
- General Plan Element
- Community Plan
- Specific Plan
- Master Plan
- Planned Unit Dev.
- Site Plan
- Rezone
- Pre-zone
- Use Permit
- Land Division (Sub.)
- Annexation
- Redevelopment
- Coastal Permit
- Other Urban Development Boundary

**Development Type:**

- Residential: Units \_\_\_\_\_ Acres \_\_\_\_\_
- Office: Sq. ft. \_\_\_\_\_ Acres \_\_\_\_\_ Employees \_\_\_\_\_
- Commercial: Sq. ft. \_\_\_\_\_ Acres \_\_\_\_\_ Employees \_\_\_\_\_
- Industrial: Sq. ft. \_\_\_\_\_ Acres \_\_\_\_\_ Employees \_\_\_\_\_
- Educational: \_\_\_\_\_
- Recreational: \_\_\_\_\_
- Water Facilities: Type \_\_\_\_\_ MGD \_\_\_\_\_
- Transportation: Type \_\_\_\_\_
- Mining: Mineral \_\_\_\_\_
- Power: Type \_\_\_\_\_ MW \_\_\_\_\_
- Waste Treatment: Type \_\_\_\_\_ MGD \_\_\_\_\_
- Hazardous Waste: Type \_\_\_\_\_
- Other: Community Plan

**Project Issues Discussed in Document:**

- Aesthetic/Visual
- Agricultural Land
- Air Quality
- Archaeological/Historical
- Biological Resources
- Coastal Zone
- Drainage/Absorption
- Economic/Jobs
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_
- Fiscal
- Flood Plain/Flooding
- Forest Land/Fire Hazard
- Geologic/Seismic
- Minerals
- Noise
- Population/Housing Balance
- Public Services/Facilities
- Recreation/Parks
- Schools/Universities
- Septic Systems
- Sewer Capacity
- Soil Erosion/Compaction/Grading
- Solid/Waste
- Toxic/Hazardous
- Traffic/Circulation
- Vegetation
- Water Quality
- Water Supply/Groundwater
- Wetland/Riparian
- Wildlife
- Growth Inducing
- Land Use
- Cumulative Effects

**Present Land Use/Zoning/General Plan Designation:**

The existing Land Use for the community of Kingsburg UDB is designated Mixed-Use (MU). At this time, the community of Kingsburg UDB does not have a community plan; therefore, the Tulare County General Plan Update 2030 provides the framework for development. The Goals and Policies Report reinforce, amend, and expand policies with respect to development in the unincorporated area.

The existing land use designations are: Mixed Use and Unclassified (Rights-of-Way).

The existing zones are: A-1, AE-20, C-3, C-3-SR, M-1, M-1-SR. Andersen Village Specific Plan area

## **Project Description:**

The Tulare County Board of Supervisors passed Resolution 2019-0884 on October 15, 2019, approving the General Plan Initiation No. GPI 19-004 to authorize a General Plan Amendment No. GPA 20-001 for the Kingsburg Area Community Plan, to update the Tulare County General Plan. The proposed Kingsburg Area Community Plan is identified within the City of Kingsburg sphere of influence and County of Tulare's County Adopted City Urban Development Boundary (CACUDEB) for Kingsburg located along the Tulare County/Fresno County line (that is, adjacent to and south of Kingsburg), generally north of Avenue 390, west of Road 20, and south of State Route 201. The Kingsburg Community Area Plan Update will become consistent with the approved Tulare County General Plan 2030 Update and includes the following primary goals and objectives:

- 1) **Land Use and Environmental Planning** - Promote development within the planning areas next to the Regional Highway 99 Corridor in order to implement the following General Plan goals:
  - a) Update the affected Urban Development Boundary;
  - b) Ensure the text and mapping of the Community Plan Land Use Designations and Zoning Reclassifications address various development matters, such as encouraging Agricultural Adaptive Reuse activities, recognizing Non-Conforming Use activities, and facilitating Ministerial Permit approvals;
  - c) Encourage infill development within a County Adopted City Urban Development Boundary, thereby discouraging leapfrog development within Tulare County;
  - d) Reduce development pressure on agriculturally-designated lands within the Valley Floor, thereby encouraging agricultural production;
  - e) Reduce vehicle miles travelled throughout the County, thereby positively affecting air quality and greenhouse gas reduction; and
  - f) Improve the circulation, transit and railroad transportation system within this community, including, but not limited to, laying the groundwork for the construction of key projects, such as Safe Routes to Schools, Complete Streets, and Bike Lanes/Pedestrian Paths.
- 2) **Improvements for a "disadvantaged community"** - It is expected that the community planning area will be improved for the following reasons:
  - a) Faster project processing resulting from an updated community plan, increasing employment opportunities that are more likely to be provided by the private sector as proposed project developments and permits can be approved as expeditiously as possible;
  - b) Housing grant awards are more likely to be awarded based on updated community plans that are consistent with the policies of the recently adopted (August 2012) General Plan Update and Housing Element; and
  - c) Enhanced infrastructure grant awards, thereby providing access to funding to install or upgrade road, water, wastewater, and storm water facilities.
- 3) **Strengthening Relationship with TCAG** - An important benefit of this community plan process will be the opportunity for RMA to strengthen the County's relationship with the Tulare County Association of Governments (TCAG) in that this community plan will help to facilitate the funding and implementation of several key transportation programs such as Safe Routes to Schools, Complete Streets, Bike/Pedestrian Projects, and major state Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) project.

By pursuing these transportation programs through a heightened collaborative process, the likelihood of getting actual projects in the ground will be realized faster than historically achieved. In doing so, this community, and others, can become safer and healthier by providing a more efficient transportation network.

**Reviewing Agencies Checklist**

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**Local Public Review Period (to be filled in by lead agency)**

Starting Date: September 13, 2023. Ending Date: October 27, 2023

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Authority cited: Section 21083, public Resources Code. Reference: Section 21161, Public Resources Code.