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SCH #: _____

Project Title: Fresno Central Southeast Area Specific Plan

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Project Location: City of Fresno, County of Fresno
City *County*

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

The proposed Specific Plan would address community needs and guide future public and private development to create a more vibrant, attractive, equitable, and healthy community in a way that builds upon the social and cultural strengths of the existing Community Plan Area. The proposed land use designations of the Specific Plan are consistent with the General Plan; however, the Specific Plan proposes changing the land use designation for some of the Specific Plan Area ' s parcels, which will require the General Plan Land Use map to be amended. The proposed Specific Plan includes land use changes that would reclassify some parcels to match uses currently on the ground that are likely to remain for the foreseeable future (Exhibit 5). These changes would also change concentrations of vacant lands or facilities along the Kings Canyon Corridor, reduce oversized parking lots near the Maple Avenue and Butler Avenue intersection and develop underutilized land near the Cedar Avenue and Butler Avenue intersection. The Specific Plan would also create higher intensity mixed-use infill opportunities along priority corridors and at key opportunity sites, strengthen neighborhoods that provide a range of office types, and include office, clean tech, and other non-nuisance employment generating uses that provide a buffer between industrial neighborhoods.

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

The proposed project would have potentially significant impacts as a new source of light and glare; to the conversion of farmland; to air quality; to special species and sensitive biological communities; to cultural and tribal cultural resources; due to wasted, inefficient, or unncessary consumption of energy; related to earthquales, seismic ground shaking, unstable and/or expansive soil, and uniqe paleotonological resources; related to conflicts applicable GHG plans and policies; as substantial ambient nose and groundborne vibration; and by resulting in inadequate emergency access but would be mitigated to a less than significan level with the implementation of General Plan PEIR mitigation measures (MM) AES-4.1, MM AES-4.2, AES-4.3, MM AES-4.4, MM AES-4.5., which provide regulations for lighting in the Specific Plan Area; MM AG-1.1, which establishes a Farmland Protection Program; MM AIR-2.1, MM AIR-2.2, MM AIR-3.1, MM AIR-3.2, MM AIR-4.1, which reduce impacts to air quality; MM BIO-1.1, MM BIO-1.2, MM BIO-1.3, MM BIO-1.4, MM BIO-2.1, MM BIO-2.2, MM BIO-2.3, MM BIO-3.1, MM BIO-3, which protects vegetation communities, special status species, nesting birds, protected species, and requires proconstruction clearence surveys; MM CUL-1.1, MM CUL-1.2, MM CUL-2, and MM CUL-3, which protect cultural resources if discovered; MM GEO-6.1, which requires a field survey; MM NOI-2, which reduces construction vibration; and project-specific MM AG-2, which requires farmland to be mitigated until the FPP is established;

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

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MM AIR-5, MM AIR-6, MM AIR-7, MM AIR-8, MM AIR-9, MM AIR-10, which requires the applicant to show proper documention of equipment of that reduces air quality impacts; MM GEO-7, MM GEO-8, which requires geotechnical and paleontological surveys; MM NOI-3, MM NOI-4, MM NOI-5, which reduce construction noise; and MM TRANS-1, which requires the preparation of a land use plan.

Areas of Controversy:
Agriculture - the propsed Specific Plan Area contains a lot of of prime farmland, unique farmland, and farmland of local importance.

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

California Department of Fish and Wildlife, Region 4 - Central, Fresno
Regional Water Quality Control Board, Region 5, Frenso
Native American Heritage Commission