



Imperial County Planning & Development Services Planning / Building

Jim Minnick
DIRECTOR

NOTICE OF INTENT

NOTICE OF INTENT IS HERBY GIVEN for the preparation of a Negative Declaration Mitigated Negative Declaration for SP 21-0002, ZC 21-0007, CUP 21-0019, MERG00150 V21-0003 and IS 21-0035 Green Valley Logistics Center, pursuant to the *California Environmental Quality Act* and the County of Imperial's *Rules and Regulations to Implement California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) as amended*.

LEAD AGENCY: Imperial County Planning & Development Services Department (ICPDS)

APPLICANT: Tomcat Development LLC

PROJECT LOCATION: The Project would be located on approximately 285 gross acres within Imperial County (County), California, approximately 1.25 miles north of the City of Imperial. The Project would be west of the Union Pacific Railroad (UPRR), east of SR 86 (Imperial Avenue), north of Harris Road, and south of Newside Drain Number 1 A, entirely within the Mesquite Lake Specific Plan and on land owned by Tomcat Development LLC. The Project would be within Section 31 of Township 14 South, Range 14 East, San Bernardino Base Meridian, and Assessor Parcel Numbers (APNs) 040-340-004, 040-340-006, 040-340-032, and 040-340-033.

The project site is is not listed on any list under Government Code Section 65962.5.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The Project would allow for the development and operation of three (3) rail loop tracks totaling approximately 33,000 track feet, a rail ladder track totaling approximately 25,000 track feet, and approximately 2,000 track feet of spur that all tie into the adjacent Union Pacific Railroad ROW ('rail system'). The rail system will facilitate inbound and outbound trains of commodities as well as the transloading of commodities to and from trucks. Also included in the Project are a grain elevator; shipping container depot, including but not limited to the function of hay/grain export; a veterans memorial area adjacent to the existing cemetery; a fuel blending / transloading area; a fueling station, including but not limited to Compressed Natural Gas (CNG, methane); the extension of a SoCal Gas line from Keystone Road approximately 1.3 miles along State Route 86 to the Project Site; warehousing; and areas for transloading and storage of commodities (Proposed Project). Further, the Project's Tentative Tract Map proposes to re-configure the existing parcels and a grant of road right-of way to the County for an Industrial Street. The Project also includes a specific plan amendment and zone change application to change land use and zoning from Light and Medium Industrial to Heavy Industrial.

PUBLIC HEARING: An Imperial County Planning Commission public hearing will be conducted on a day to be determined in the County Administration Center (Board Room) located at 940 Main Street, El Centro, CA, 92243 to consider the adoption of the proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration, in conjunction with the proposed project.

COMMENT PERIOD: 08/21/23 to 09/19/23 at 5:00 p.m.

Comments will be accepted for the proposed project during this period. You may submit comments by mail, fax or email at ICPDSCCommentLetters@co.imperial.ca.us. Only comments submitted during the specified period will be considered unless otherwise allowed under CEQA.

DOCUMENT AVAILABILITY: All required documents for the project are available at the ICPDS office located at 801 Main St. El Centro, CA 92243 during normal working hours of 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Jim Minnick". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "J" and "M".

Sincerely,
Jim Minnick, Director
Planning & Development Services