

Notice of Completion & Environmental Document Transmittal

Mail to: State Clearinghouse, P.O. Box 3044, Sacramento, CA 95812-3044 (916) 445-0613

For Hand Delivery/Street Address: 1400 Tenth Street, Sacramento, CA 95814

SCH #

Project Title: Sacramento River Valley Elderberry Longhorn Beetle (VELB) Conservation Bank

Lead Agency: County of Colusa Community Development Department

Contact Person: Steve Geiger

Mailing Address: 1213 Market Street

Phone: 530-458-0891

City: Colusa

Zip: 95932

County: Colusa

Project Location: County: Colusa City/Nearest Community: Colusa

Cross Streets: West of River Road and is bound by the Sacramento River to the west and south.

Zip Code: 95932

Longitude/Latitude (degrees, minutes and seconds): 39 ° 16 ' 51.51 " N / 122 ° 00 ' 56.86 " W Total Acres: 13.3

Assessor's Parcel No.: 012-270-058-000

Section: 31

Twp.: 17

Range: 1

Base: Mount Diablo

Within 2 Miles: State Hwy #: 45

Waterways: Sacramento River

Airports: No

Railways: No

Schools: No

Document Type:CEQA: NOP Draft EIRNEPA: NOIOther: Joint Document Early Cons Supplement/Subsequent EIR EA Final Document Neg Dec

(Prior SCH No.) _____

 Draft EIS Other: _____ Mit Neg Dec

Other: _____

 FONSI**Local Action Type:** General Plan Update Specific Plan Rezone Annexation General Plan Amendment Master Plan Prezone Redevelopment General Plan Element Planned Unit Development Use Permit Coastal Permit Community Plan Site Plan Land Division (Subdivision, etc.) Other: _____**Development Type:** Residential: Units _____

Acres _____

 Office: Sq.ft. _____

Acres _____

Employees _____

 Transportation: Type _____ Commercial: Sq.ft. _____

Acres _____

Employees _____

 Mining: Mineral _____ Industrial: Sq.ft. _____

Acres _____

Employees _____

 Power: Type _____

MW _____

 Educational: _____ Waste Treatment: Type _____

MGD _____

 Recreational: _____ Hazardous Waste: Type _____ Water Facilities: Type _____

MGD _____

 Other: Mitigation Bank**Project Issues Discussed in Document:** Aesthetic/Visual Fiscal Recreation/Parks Vegetation Agricultural Land Flood Plain/Flooding Schools/Universities Water Quality Air Quality Forest Land/Fire Hazard Septic Systems Water Supply/Groundwater Archeological/Historical Geologic/Seismic Sewer Capacity Wetland/Riparian Biological Resources Minerals Soil Erosion/Compaction/Grading Growth Inducement Coastal Zone Noise Solid Waste Land Use Drainage/Absorption Population/Housing Balance Toxic/Hazardous Cumulative Effects Economic/Jobs Public Services/Facilities Traffic/Circulation Other: Mandatory Findings of Significance**Present Land Use/Zoning/General Plan Designation:**

Designated Floodway (DF), River Frontage (R-F)

Project Description: (please use a separate page if necessary)

The proposed project would provide habitat for the federally listed Valley elderberry longhorn beetle (VELB; *Desmocerus californicus dimorphus*) within a 13.3-acre project site. The proposed project would provide 329 compensatory mitigation credits for unavoidable impacts to VELB by developing suitable habitat that would be protected and maintained in perpetuity. The proposed project would be designed to provide suitable habitat for VELB with a shrub-dominated riparian habitat. The proposed project would be designed to be consistent with the Conservation Guidelines for the Valley Elderberry Longhorn Beetle (USFWS 1999); however, the design treats the site holistically and is intended to mimic a natural system. All site preparation would be conducted using traditional agricultural methods and equipment by WES staff and the onsite farmer. Minimal disking would occur to prepare the site and planting would occur by hand. During irrigation installation there may be the need for some light trenching, up to 12 inches in depth, maximum. The created VELB habitat would be irrigated to help establish the plantings. The main irrigation system that is currently in place on the property would be used to drip irrigate the elderberry and native plantings. The water source would be the existing agricultural well on site. The VELB habitat would only be irrigated long enough to establish the plants. Irrigation of the plantings would taper and ultimately be discontinued within five years after planting. Habitat monitoring to document the achievements of performance standards would begin immediately.

Note: The State Clearinghouse will assign identification numbers for all new projects. If a SCH number already exists for a project (e.g. Notice of Preparation or previous draft document) please fill in.

Reviewing Agencies Checklist

Lead Agencies may recommend State Clearinghouse distribution by marking agencies below with and "X".
If you have already sent your document to the agency please denote that with an "S".

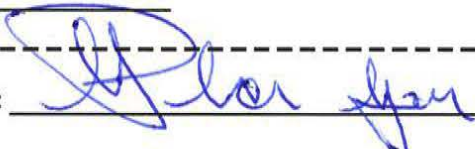
- | | |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Air Resources Board | <input type="checkbox"/> Office of Historic Preservation |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Boating & Waterways, Department of | <input type="checkbox"/> Office of Public School Construction |
| <input type="checkbox"/> California Emergency Management Agency | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Parks & Recreation, Department of |
| <input type="checkbox"/> California Highway Patrol | <input type="checkbox"/> Pesticide Regulation, Department of |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Caltrans District # 3 | <input type="checkbox"/> Public Utilities Commission |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Caltrans Division of Aeronautics | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Regional WQCB # 5 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Caltrans Planning | <input type="checkbox"/> Resources Agency |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Central Valley Flood Protection Board | <input type="checkbox"/> Resources Recycling and Recovery, Department of |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Coachella Valley Mtns. Conservancy | <input type="checkbox"/> S.F. Bay Conservation & Development Comm. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Coastal Commission | <input type="checkbox"/> San Gabriel & Lower L.A. Rivers & Mtns. Conservancy |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Colorado River Board | <input type="checkbox"/> San Joaquin River Conservancy |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Conservation, Department of | <input type="checkbox"/> Santa Monica Mtns. Conservancy |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Corrections, Department of | <input type="checkbox"/> State Lands Commission |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Delta Protection Commission | <input type="checkbox"/> SWRCB: Clean Water Grants |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Education, Department of | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SWRCB: Water Quality |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Energy Commission | <input type="checkbox"/> SWRCB: Water Rights |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fish & Game Region # 2 | <input type="checkbox"/> Tahoe Regional Planning Agency |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Food & Agriculture, Department of | <input type="checkbox"/> Toxic Substances Control, Department of |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Forestry and Fire Protection, Department of | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Water Resources, Department of |
| <input type="checkbox"/> General Services, Department of | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Health Services, Department of | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Housing & Community Development | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Native American Heritage Commission | |

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

Starting Date July 1, 2024 Ending Date August 1, 2024

Lead Agency (Complete if applicable):

Consulting Firm: <u>ESA</u>	Applicant: <u>Westervelt Ecological Services, LLC</u>
Address: <u>2600 Capitol Ave Suite 200</u>	Address: <u>3636 American River Drive, Suite 120</u>
City/State/Zip: <u>Sacramento, CA 95816</u>	City/State/Zip: <u>Sacramento, CA 95864</u>
Contact: _____	Phone: <u>969-646-3644</u>
Phone: <u>916-564-4500</u>	

Signature of Lead Agency Representative:  Date: 6/21/2024

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