

**Summary Form for Electronic Document Submittal****Form F**

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SCH #: \_\_\_\_\_

Project Title: Stanislaus County Urban Pocket Project - Area 40 Herndon

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Project Location: Herndon Neighborhood, Cities of Modesto and Ceres, Stanislaus County, California

*City*

*County*

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

The project site, identified as Area 40, is an existing residential neighborhood between the Cities of Modesto and Ceres. The project area bounded by Solar Avenue, Nadine Avenue, Herndon Road, and Munchkin Drive. The site is located just east of State Route 99 and south of the Tuolumne River, in unincorporated Stanislaus County. Stanislaus County is proposing to install new sanitary sewer, domestic water supply, and storm drain facilities in Area 40 in accordance with City of Ceres standards. The proposed project would additionally install safety improvements throughout the area, including sidewalks, Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) compliant curb ramps, crosswalks, and street lighting. The project is determined to result in potentially significant impacts to Biological, Cultural, and Tribal Cultural Resources. However, with the incorporation of project-specific mitigation measures, any potentially significant impacts resulting from the project would be reduced to a less than significant level.

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

**Biological Resources:** Vegetation removal or earthwork shall be minimized during the nesting season (February 1 – August 31). If vegetation removal and/or ground disturbance is required during this period, a pre-construction nesting bird and raptor survey (including the Swainson's hawk) must be conducted within three (3) days prior to commencement of construction activities and will extend 500 feet from the project area. If migratory birds or raptors are found to be nesting in or adjacent to the Project site, a 250-foot no-disturbance buffer shall be established around raptor nests (500-foot for Swainson's hawk) and a 50-foot buffer around non-raptor nests. The buffer shall be maintained until the end of the breeding season or until young have fledged.

**Cultural and Tribal Cultural Resources:** A qualified cultural resources specialist shall be contacted should unrecorded cultural resources be encountered to assess the potential significance of the find. If cultural materials are discovered, all work in the area of the find will be halted and a qualified archaeologist will be notified. The archaeologist will determine significance of the resource per CRHR and develop appropriate mitigation.

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

Not applicable.

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

None.