

Notice of Determination

Appendix D

To:

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Public Agency: MERCED COUNTY
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Lead Agency (if different from above):
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SUBJECT: Filing of Notice of Determination in compliance with Section 21108 or 21152 of the Public Resources Code.

State Clearinghouse Number (if submitted to State Clearinghouse): 2001021056

Project Title: University Community Plan Update and Virginia Smith Trust Specific Plan

Project Applicant: Virginia Smith Trust

Project Location (include county): Merced County, adjacent to the NE boundary of the City of Merced

Project Description:

An update the 2004 University Community Plan (UCP) located in the eastern portion of Merced County, just south of the University of California (UC), Merced campus. The proposed plan update removes a portion of the UCP area owned by UC Merced from the County's UCP, expands the UCP area east to align with current land ownership, and update the land uses proposed within the 654-acre Virginia Smith Trust Specific Plan that would comprise the northern portion of the revised UCP.

This is to advise that the COUNTY OF MERCED has approved the above (Lead Agency or Responsible Agency)

described project on 10/17/2023 and has made the following determinations regarding the above described project.

- 1. The project will have a significant effect on the environment.
2. An Environmental Impact Report was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
3. Mitigation measures were made a condition of the approval of the project.
4. A mitigation reporting or monitoring plan was adopted for this project.
5. A statement of Overriding Considerations was adopted for this project.
6. Findings were made pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.

This is to certify that the final EIR with comments and responses and record of project approval, or the negative Declaration, is available to the General Public at:

2222 M Street, 2nd Floor, Merced, CA 95340

Signature (Public Agency): [Signature] Title: Director of Community Development

Date: 10/17/2023 Date Received for filing at OPR: