# SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA Correction made to Agenda Item 3.E

TRACY CITY COUNCIL

REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

Tuesday, April 18, 2023, 7:00 P.M.

A quorum of City Council will be in attendance at Tracy City Hall Chambers, 333 Civic Center Plaza, Tracy

Web Site: www.cityoftracy.org

And a Council Member will attend remotely at the following location:
Omni Shoreham Hotel, 2500 Calvert Street NW, Washington, District of Columbia 20008

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CALL TO ORDER
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
INVOCATION
ACTIONS, BY MOTION, OF CITY COUNCIL PURSUANT TO AB 2449, IF ANY
ROLL CALL

1. Employee of the Month

#### CONSENT CALENDAR

**PRESENTATIONS** 

- 1.A Adopt April 4, 2023 Closed Session, Special Meeting, and Regular Meeting minutes.
- 1.B Adopt a resolution awarding a construction contract to Tracy Grading & Paving, Inc. of Tracy, California, in the amount of \$79,800 for the Annual Water Valve Replacement Project, FY22-23, CIP 75168, with a not-to-exceed budget of \$99,750 and authorize the City Manager to approve change orders up to the contingency amount of \$7,980, if needed.
- 1.C Adopt a Resolution authorizing 1) amendments to the City's Classification and Compensation Plans and Master Salary Schedule to add the classification of Financial Analyst I/II and increase the bi-weekly salary range for the Parks Planning and Development Manager from \$3,968.44 \$4,823.67 to \$4,365.28 \$5,306.04, 2) amendments to several existing classifications to reflect modifications to job duties; and 3) reallocation of a current Management Analyst I/II in the Finance Department to a Financial Analyst I/II, effective Fiscal Year 2022-23.
- 1.D Adopt a resolution approving Amendment No. 2 to the Professional Services Agreement with Mark Thomas and Company, Inc. to (1) augment the scope for the Project Approval, Environmental Document, and Plans, Specifications and Estimates for Modification of I-205 and I-580/Mountain House Existing Interchanges, CIP Nos. 73146 and 73147, and (2) increase the contract amount by an additional \$1,493,855 for a new total not-to-exceed amount of \$6,181,579.
- 1.E Adopt a resolution approving the Final Subdivision Map for Tract No. 4156 Tracy Village Neighborhood 1.
- 1.F Adopt a resolution approving the formation and bylaws for an Environmental Sustainability Commission.
- Adopt a resolution authorizing the 1) appropriation of \$600,000 from Measure V (Fund 107) as one-time funding to the Parks and Recreation Department for the purchase of equipment to maintain and operate Legacy Fields, 2) Authorizing the Budget Officer to amend the City's position control roster for FY22/23, and 3) appropriation of \$80,000 from Measure V (Fund 107) as prorated funding to fund the Parks and Recreation Department for staffing, maintenance, and operations to maintain and operate Legacy Fields for the remainder of FY22/23.

#### 2. ITEMS FROM THE AUDIENCE

#### 3. REGULAR AGENDA

- Planning Commission recommends that the City Council conduct a public hearing and, upon conclusion, introduce an Ordinance 1) certifying an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) and adopt a Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program (MMRP) and findings of fact and a statement of overriding considerations (together, CEQA Findings) for the annexation and future development of industrial buildings on the 191.18-acre property located at the northeast corner of Grant Line and Paradise Roads (Assessor's Parcel Numbers 213-170-14, -24, -25, -26, -27, and -48, collectively the Property) in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA); 2) amending the Northeast Industrial (NEI) Specific Plan to add the Property to the NEI Specific Plan area with a land use designation of Light Industrial (SPA22-0003); 3) approving the prezoning of the Property to Northeast Industrial Specific Plan Zone (AP20-0003); and 4) approving the submittal of a petition to the San Joaquin County Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCo) for annexation of the Property to the City of Tracy.
- 3.B Staff recommends that the City Council 1) receive an update on the status of the background clearance process applicable to Cannabis Business Permit holders and 2) provide direction on whether to change current policy and code requirements impeding completion of the process.
- 3.C <u>City Council introduce an ordinance of the City of Tracy amending Tracy Municipal Code</u> <u>Sections 3.04.010, 3.04.030, and 3.04.130 to increase the fine amounts for administrative</u> citations issued for violations of Chapter 3.04, "Fireworks".
- 3.D. <u>City Council receive a report on City Council's FY 2022-2023 Operating Budget for travel and related expenses.</u>
- 3.E City Council 1) rescind Resolution 2021-140, which adopted and amended the Policy for Reimbursement for Travel and Expenses for Elected and Appointed Officials; and 2) approve a resolution adopting a new Policy for Reimbursement for Travel and Expenses for Elected and Council-Appointed Officials.
- 3.F <u>City Council appoint, by motion, a subcommittee of two Councilmembers, and an alternate, to interview applicants to fill one term vacancy on the Tracy Parks and Community Services Commission.</u>
- 3.G City Council appoint, by motion, Rosario Arulappan and Pio Fernandez to serve two (2) of the three (3) expired terms beginning March 1, 2023 and ending February 28, 2026 to the City of Tracy Measure V Residents' Oversight Committee.
- 4. ITEMS FROM THE AUDIENCE
- STAFF ITEMS
- 6. COUNCIL ITEMS
- 7. ADJOURNMENT

#### TRACY CITY COUNCIL - SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

#### April 4, 2023, 5:00 p.m.

Tracy City Hall, 333 Civic Center Plaza, Tracy, CA. and one Council Member attended remotely at the following location: Mardi Gras Hotel, 3500 Paradise Road, Las Vegas, Nevada

- 1. Mayor Young called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.
- 2. No actions required by City Council pursuant to AB 2449.
- 3. Roll call found Council Members Bedolla, Evans, Mayor Pro Tem Davis and Mayor Young present. Council Member Bedolla participated remotely.

Council Member Arriola arrived at 5:02 p.m. after roll call.

- 4. ITEMS FROM THE AUDIENCE None
- REQUEST TO CONDUCT CLOSED SESSION

Property Location: APN: 235-068-06

729/741 N. Central Avenue, Tracy, CA (commonly known

as Westside Market)

Negotiators for the City: Midori Lichtwardt, Acting City Manager

Karin Schnaider, Assistant City Manager

Adriana Castaneda, Director of Mobility and Housing Vanessa Carrera, Assistant to the City Manager

Bijal Patel, City Attorney

Negotiator for Developer: Jennifer Magud, Assistant Director of Development

Delta Community Developers Corporation

Under Negotiation: Price & Terms of Payment

There was no public comment.

**ACTION:** Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Davis and seconded by Council Member Arriola to recess to closed session. Roll call found all in favor; passed and so ordered. Time: 5:04 p.m.

- 6. Reconvene to Open Session 5:51 p.m.
- 7. Report of Final Action, if Any None
- 8. Council Items and Comments None

9. Adjournment – Time: 5:52 p.m.

**ACTION:** Motion was made by Council Member Arriola and seconded by Council Member

Evans to adjourn. Roll call found all in favor; passed and so ordered.

ATTEST:	Mayor	
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The above agenda was posted at the Tracy City Hall on March 31, 2023. The above are action minutes. A recording is available at the office of the City Clerk.

#### SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES OF THE TRACY CITY COUNCIL

April 4, 2023, 5:30 p.m.

Tracy City Hall, 333 Civic Center Plaza, Tracy, CA. and one Council Member attended remotely at the following location: Mardi Gras Hotel, 3500 Paradise Road, Las Vegas, Nevada

- 1. Mayor Young called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.
- 2. No actions required by City Council pursuant to AB 2449.
- 3. Roll call found Council Members Arriola, Bedolla, Evans, Mayor Pro Tem Davis and Mayor Young present. Council Member Bedolla participated remotely.
- 4. Items from the Audience: Kimberly Cargile, Tracy Cannabis Collective stated she spoke with the City Attorney and feels they are moving forward. Thanked Council for putting the cannabis item on the April 18 agenda and looks forward to moving forward and opening. The application required them to hold an empty building for two years which cost \$200,000.

Haley Andrew, Tracy Cannabis Collective shared she put her life savings into this process because she believes in her team and cannabis. Ms. Andrew thanked Council for their help to open their doors for the public. Will generate revenue via sales tax and be of service to the community.

Michele Trew stated she is happy cannabis will be on agenda, has passed the background checks, submitted the Community Benefit Plan, hoping to open as soon as possible, look forward to getting back into the community and educating the community and hopes to invite Council to events.

Karen Moore corrected a statement she made previously regarding not having Tracy representation on SJCOG Citizen Advisory. Found out it was Caltrans District 10 – we had done a cleanup for them in Tracy and that is what they were talking about. Ms. Moore stated the last Tracy Earth Project Environment Series was on Justice40 which is the strings attached to the funding with the Inflation Reduction Act which says 40% of the money has to go to disadvantaged communities. According to our census tract we do not have disadvantaged communities in Tracy and that is not correct and urged Council to get the census tract updated to get funding. Ms. Moore suggested hiring someone who will get our disadvantaged communities registered.

Burnell Shull asked for a recap of everything that is spent per person when Council goes on trips. Also asked how many cannabis shops are going to be in Tracy and where are they going to be.

Joseph Devlin, Altamont Wellness thanked Council for agendizing a cannabis item on April 18, spoke about amending the DOJ background check which is duplicative of the state for owners and employees as well as resolving the community benefit agreement. Tracy has 6% gross tax which is high tax. Two issues are preventing them to open and operate. The City has approved 11 dispensaries, but he does not think 11 will open.

5. <u>Staff recommends that the City Council conduct a workshop to review the Five-year forecast for the City's General Fund and provide feedback regarding the development of the FY2023/24 operating and capital budget.</u>

Sara Cowell, Finance Director provided the staff report.

Council questions and comments followed.

Karen Moore stated a few years ago there was a court hearing that blew a hole through Prop 13 and allowed cannabis to pass and the most recent one with the change to the tax, there is a new ballot measure that is coming in the next election that will scare people and close that hole and will roll back all those changes to the fees and special taxes. This is from developers who are going to do this because of the VMT fees. That will break our financial stability.

Robert Tanner hoped the expenditure trends that show current employee contracts expire in June, that the budget currently in process reflects the potential increase that will be approved by Council. Mr. Tanner stated there is no increase forecasted for revenues and he find that odd. There is a tremendous decrease in revenues and slight increase in expenditures which tells him we are really not budgeting.

Council Member comments continued.

There was no action required from Council.

- 6. Council Items and Comments None.
- 7. Adjournment: Time: 6:43 p.m.

**ACTION:** Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Davis and seconded by Council Member Arriola to adjourn. Roll call found all in favor; passed and so ordered.

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ATTEST:	Mayor	
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### TRACY CITY COUNCIL

#### REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Web Site: www.cityoftracy.org

#### April 4, 2023, 7:00 p.m.

City Hall, 333 Civic Center Plaza, Tracy and one Council Member attended remotely at the following location:

Mardi Gras Hotel, 3500 Paradise Road, Las Vegas, Nevada 89169

Mayor Young called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

Roll call found Council Members Arriola, Bedolla, Evans, Mayor Pro Tem Davis and Mayor Young present. Council Member Bedolla participated remotely.

Pastor Kevin James, New Creation Bible Fellowship offered the invocation.

No actions required by City Council pursuant to AB 2449.

Mayor Young presented a proclamation for Arts Month to Cynthia Reis, Tracy Arts Commission Chairperson.

Mayor Young presented a proclamation for National Public Safety Telecommunications Week to Public Safety Dispatchers Heidi Horner, April Uribe, Shaina Marquez, Matthew Sieperda, Jessica Henry.

Mayor Young presented a proclamation for National Volunteer Week to Leonard Steele, Volunteer for Athletics (Jr. Giants & Jr. Warriors Program).

- 1. CONSENT CALENDAR Following the removal of consent item 1.E by Robert Tanner motion was made by Council Member Arriola and seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Davis to adopt the Consent Calendar. Roll call found all in favor; passed and so ordered.
  - 1.A Approval of March 21, 2023, Closed Session Minutes, March 21, 2023 Regular Meeting Minutes, and March 22, 2023, special concurrent City Council and Planning Commission Meeting Minutes **Minutes were adopted**.
  - 1.B Adopt a resolution to 1) authorize the acceptance of a grant award from San Joaquin County in the amount of \$99,000 to fund City tourism attraction efforts, and 2) appropriate \$99,000 in grant funds to the Mobility and Housing department for uses consistent with grant requirements.- Resolution 2023-056 authorized the acceptance of the grant award from San Joaquin County.
  - 1.C Adopt a resolution approving a leave of absence for Transportation
    Advisory Commissioner Maurice Francis for the month of April 2023
    pursuant to the requirements of the Transportation Advisory Commission
    Bylaws Resolution 2023-057 approved a leave of absence for
    Transportation Advisory Commissioner Maurice Francis.

- 1.D Adopt a resolution to (1) accept the construction for the Tracy Transit Station Renovations, CIP 77584, for work completed by Gowan Construction Company, Inc., of Tracy, California, (2) authorize the City Clerk to File the Notice of Completion with the San Joaquin County Recorder's Office, (3) authorize the City Engineer to release the bonds and retention payment, and (4) authorize the Finance Department to close the Project.— Resolution 2023-058 accepted the construction for the Tracy Transit Station Renovations, CIP 77584.
- 1.F Adopt a resolution approving a Professional Services Agreement with Black Water Consulting, Inc. to prepare an update to the City's Sewer System Management Plan for a term of one year and a not-to-exceed amount of \$64,000. Resolution 2023-059 approved a Professional Services Agreement with Black Water Consulting, Inc.
- 1.G Adopt a resolution approving a Master Services Agreement with CommSys, Inc. for the installation, implementation, training, and maintenance of the California Law Enforcement Telecommunications System for a term of five years and a not-to-exceed amount of \$200,000. Resolution 2023-060 approved a Master Services Agreement with CommSys, Inc.
- 1.E Adopt a resolution (1) accepting the construction for the Americans with Disabilities Act Accessibility Improvements Project, CIP 73177 for work completed by Tracy Grading and Paving, Inc., of Tracy, California, (2) authorizing the City Clerk to File the Notice of Completion with the San Joaquin County Recorder's Office, (3) authorizing the City Engineer to release the bonds and retention payment, and (4) authorizing the Finance Department to close the Project.

Robert Tanner pulled the item to let people know this is one of the few CIP's that is under budget.

There was no public comment.

There were no Council comments.

## **ACTION:**

Motion was made by Council Member Arriola and seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Davis to adopt **Resolution 2023-061** (1) Accepting the construction for the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Accessibility Improvements Project, CIP 73177, for work completed by Tracy Grading and Paving, Inc. of Tracy, California; (2) Authoring the City Clerk to file the Notice of Completion with the San Joaquin County Recorder's Office; (3) Authorizing the City Engineer to release the bonds and retention payment; and (4) Authorizing the Finance Department to close the project. Roll call found all in favor; passed and so ordered.

 ITEMS FROM THE AUDIENCE – Dotty Nygard urged Council to direct staff to update the City's census tract by using the US DOT Disadvantaged mapping tool so we can be more reflective of our current community and be competitive when pursuing grant funding. Ms. Nygard shared she started a Go Fund Me for Mayor Young to go to Washington D.C. to attend the African American Association Conference and presented Mayor Young with a check in an amount close to \$5,000 to help represent the community.

Mayor Young thanked the community for their love and support. Will share info on the conference.

A resident thanked Mayor Pro Tem Davis, and Council Members Bedolla and Evans for watching the travel budget. The resident stated she is watching PRA's and spoke about items on the Mayor's travel expenses.

Mayor Young responded to the previous speaker regarding her travel expenses.

Robert Tanner stated it is sad that citizens had to do a Go Fund Me account for the Mayor to go to Washington D.C. It was voted down not to go. Mayor had said she brought in new ideas and grants and asking for a summary of meetings attended from the entire Council and have transparency of what Mayor Young is bringing to the City.

Alice English stated the travel budget was over budget and shared concerns regarding Mayor Young's travel expenses. Ms. English also shared her frustration regarding comments made by James Young at a previous meeting related to a hate crime reported in 2013, dividing the community related to diversity and race, and stated the City is very united and diverse with every club, board, commission, in games and sports events and has nothing to do with race.

Mayor Young responded to Ms. English's comments.

#### 3. REGULAR AGENDA

3.A Adopt a resolution 1) authorizing the issuance and sale of special tax bonds for the purpose of financing authorized facilities and 2) approving and authorizing related documents and actions for Improvement Area No. 3 of the City of Tracy Community Facilities District No. 2016-2.

Mayor Pro Tem Davis recused herself from the item due to proximity of real property.

Mayor Young opened the public hearing.

Sara Cowell, Finance Director provided the staff report.

Council comments and questions followed.

Les Serpa, Surland Companies stated bonds is a financing mechanism to allow the advancement of fees and there are pieces of infrastructure to be completed. It allows to advance things like public buildings. This would be the first time he has seen the Council deny bond sale. It benefits the owner as well as the infrastructure and would be unusual for this to happen anywhere in this state. Financing is for public facilities.

#### **ACTION:**

Motion was made by Council Member Arriola and seconded by Mayor Young to adopt a Resolution to authorize 1) The issuance and sale of Special Tax Bonds for the purpose of financing authorized facilities, and 2) approving and authorizing related documents and actions for Improvement Area No. 3 of the City of Tracy Community Facilities District No. 2016-2 (ECFD). Roll call found Council Member Arriola and Mayor Young in favor. Council Member Bedolla and Council Member Evans opposed. Mayor Pro Tem Davis recused herself from the item. Motion failed.

3.B <u>City Council receive information and provide feedback regarding 1) the proposed FY 2024 Capital Budget, 2) the proposed five-year FY 2024-2028</u>
Capital Improvement Plan (CIP), and 3) Measure V updates.

Felicia Galindo, Budget Officer provided the staff report regarding the FY 2024 Capital Budget and the proposed five-year FY 2024-2028 Capital Improvement Plan (CIP), and Richard Joaquin, Parks Planning & Development Manager provided a presentation regarding Measure V updates.

Koosun Kim, City Engineer responded to Council questions.

Mary Mitracos, on behalf of Nature Park Advocates and Tracy Tree Foundation and residents who would like to see the Nature Park developed, spoke in support and requested another \$1 million for the Nature Park. Staff has been looking for grants and believes if we show Council is willing to put more here and there it may be easier to get matching funds.

Robert Tanner shared his concerns that the City will be getting the Multi-Generational Recreation Center before the Aquatic Center. Been looking at an Aquatic Center since 1988. The City started that process and stopped because of another potential lawsuit. Previous Council's had opportunity to accept the 16 acres for the Aquatic Center, but no acceptance yet. Let's get the Aquatic Center done and not delay it anymore.

Sandy Taylor stated as a member of the Aquatics Task Force since 2005, she worked to pass Measure V to get funds to build an Aquatic Center and are now prepared to move forward with the community's vision. Ms. Taylor share disappointment Council wants to take the project in a new direction, disheartened to watch bitterness toward partnering, working with and supporting local businesses and requested Council do what is needed to move project forward.

Roy Hawkins stated the City can't let the people of Tracy down. They have wanted the Aquatic Center for the last 35 years. Don't let negative personalities affect reason. We can work out financial things and make it happen. People who voted for you want an Aquatic Center.

Alice English stated she saw nothing on the needed fire training site, shared support for the Nature Park and the Multi-Generational Recreation Center, and a Police substation would add benefit to the City. Ms. English shared concerns regarding the delay of the Aquatic Center, Development

Agreements going to court. There is a lot in South Tracy that has not been completed, widening on Corral Hollow, impact fees and shared concerns regarding Council Members receiving campaign funds from developers and they should not be voting on the Aquatic Center.

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Council Member Arriola objected to the characterization.

James Young stated he worked with the Mayor championing Measure V for various amenities such as the Multi-Generational Recreation Center and the Aquatic Center. Were told then they could bond before money came in so they can get started right away but it has been delayed all of these years. What is really holding it up.

Michel Bazinet stated the Aquatics Center has been approved by previous Councils over the years, a lot of work has been done, financial studies have been approved, environmental and design has been done. The spirit of previous Council's needs to be respected. There is no reason to delay the Aquatic Center.

Council Member Arriola supported a new CIP for a Police Substation and increased funding for the Nature Park.

Brian MacDonald, Parks and Recreation Director confirmed the plan is to come back with the two following Council requests on June 20, 2023: 1) Acceptance of the 16-acres, and 2) Item to discuss other city owned locations for the Aquatic Center as well. The plan is to bring both back on June 20, 2023 and will be two separate items as they are two separate Council requests.

Karin Schnaider, Assistant City Manager responded to questions.

Council Member Bedolla asked for support to have staff include Legacy Fields as a potential site for the Aquatics Center when bringing back the pending Council item. Council Member Evans and Mayor Pro Tem Davis supported the request.

City Council comments and questions followed.

Mayor Young supported Council Member Arriola's request to bring back the Police Substation and increase funding for the Nature Park.

Mayor Young requested a specific discussion of the complete future of the Aquatic Center. Council Member Arriola seconded the request.

3.C City Council: (1) adopt a Resolution of Intention to approve an amendment to the contract between the City of Tracy and the Board of Administration of the Public Employees' Retirement System to provide Public Service Credit for Peace Corps, AmeriCorps Vista, or AmeriCorps Service for all local miscellaneous members and all local police members, and (2) introduce an Ordinance authorizing an amendment to the contract between the City of Tracy and the California Public Employees' Retirement System Plan to provide Public Service Credit for Peace

<u>Corps, AmeriCorps Vista, or AmeriCorps Services for all local miscellaneous members and all local police members, pursuant to Government Code section</u> 20471.

Judy Carlos, Human Resources Analyst provided the staff report.

There was no public comment.

There were no comments from Council

#### **ACTION:**

Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Davis and seconded by Council Member Arriola to adopt a **Resolution of Intention 2023-062** to approve an amendment to the contract between the City of Tracy and the Board of Administration of the Public Employees' Retirement System to provide public service credit for Peace Corps, AmeriCorps Vista, or AmeriCorps Service for all local miscellaneous members and all local Police Members. Roll call found all in favor; passed and so ordered.

Adrianne Richardson, City Clerk reads the title of the proposed ordinance.

#### ACTION:

Motion was made by Council Member Arriola and seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Davis to introduce an ordinance authorizing an amendment to the contract between the City of Tracy and the California Public Employee's Retirement System Plan to provided public service credit for Peace Corps, AmeriCorps Vista, or AmeriCorps Services for all local miscellaneous members and all local Police Members, pursuant to Government Code Section 20471. Roll call found all in favor; passed and so ordered.

4. ITEMS FROM THE AUDIENCE – Alice English asked for clarification if the Mayor's request was to bring back the Aquatic Center at a new location or at the current location. Last meeting people spoke about the Grand Jury Report, and it said you don't demand respect, you earn it. Ms. English shared concerns regarding Mayor Young disrespecting members of the audience, public needing to know that the Mayor's conference in January 2023, was approved but information like membership was withheld and shared concerns regarding Mayor Young's travel and food charges during the January 17 through 20 trip.

Mayor Young responded to and disagreed with Ms. English's comments.

- 5. STAFF ITEMS Midori Lichtwardt, Acting City Manager provided the following updates:
  - Residents and local businesses whose properties were impacted by the March storms are being urged to complete a short damage survey at <u>SJReady.org</u> as soon as possible to ensure our County receives assistance in upcoming recovery efforts.
  - We are currently recruiting for positions on the Building Board of Appeals and Youth Advisory Commission learn more and apply at CityOfTracy.org or contact our City Clerk's Office: (209) 831-6101.
  - The deadline to apply for the Mayor's Summer Youth Internship Program is April 14<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 p.m., any school students who attend school or live in Tracy are

encouraged to visit CityOfTracyJobs.com to see what opportunities are available and apply.

• Tickets are still available to see the Sun Kings, a Beatles Tribute, this Saturday at The Grand – visit AtTheGrand.org to get yours.

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- Bring your 3-5-year-olds to the Tracy Library on Monday for "Badges for Books," story time with Tracy Police, from 3:00-4:00 p.m.
- Our Spring Break Edition of Rollin' Rec, our free pop-up mobile recreation program, begins on Monday at Lincoln Park and will be at a different park every day next week. Visit TracyArtsAndRec.com for all available Spring Break activities.
- Check out the City's website calendar, CityOfTracy.org, for City-sponsored
  meetings, events, and activities. Links to register for classes and links to the online
  event calendars of our partners, like the Library and Tracy Chamber of Commerce,
  have been added below the City calendar to help our residents stay up-to-date with
  all of the exciting things that are happening in our community.
- 6. COUNCIL ITEMS Council Member Bedolla stated he appreciated changes on City Calendar and asked if internships on City website available for high school graduates or if in high school.

Midori Lichtwardt, Acting City Manager responded they have to be in high school and not graduates. If currently in senior or junior years.

Council Member Bedolla stated as a former participant in Tracy Youth Soccer League, Tracy Babe Ruth, MJB Basketball, Tracy Tritons, In shape basketball, flag and high school football, and coach and volunteer for Junior Warriors Basketball League, this is important to him, the community, and everyone who plays organized sports and asked for support to bring back to Council as soon as possible an informational item about a joint use agreement with Tracy Unified School District for the construction and maintenance and use of sports facilities including but not limited to gyms, fields, tracks and outdoor courts. Mayor Young supported the request.

Council Member Bedolla stated at the last meeting of each month he will provide his written report on Council appointed boards, commissions, committees, events and updates and appreciates the perspective that all Council Members, residents and staff bring to the table and added he started his post college career in public service, loves public service but is not a fan of the politics.

Mayor Pro Tem Davis reported on the National League of Cities conference. A highlight was the rail roundtable where had an opportunity to speak with a Union Pacific Director and shared concerns the City has with encampments, blight and trash and barriers we have putting in signalization at Linne and Corral Hollow Roads and how difficult it is to get a hold of Union Pacific at times and wanted to establish a relationship with someone from Union Pacific that we can contact when we have issues. Union Pacific did reach out and they will help us.

Mayor Pro Tem Davis also shared the lobbying efforts in Washington D.C. for the Multi-Generational Recreation Center, Police and Fire needs and improvements to I-205. Had a good time listening to Dr. Biden regarding her commitment to education at the Community College level and access to free education as well students not necessarily on the college track.

Mayor Pro Tem Davis stated she did post a transparency report about the trip and will be supplying that in writing.

Mayor Pro Tem Davis stated she heard we are coming back next month regarding infrastructural needs and asked a year or so ago about an infrastructure and critical needs strategic plan and where are we with that and if that could be part of the conversation because we need a policy that prioritizes infrastructure and our commitment to funding our infrastructure, so we take the reliance off the developers and grants.

Ms. Lichtwardt responded it is on the Council Follow Up list and she will look at it and get a timeframe.

Mayor Pro Tem Davis remembered asking a year or so ago about the substation in south Tracy and heard a couple of her colleagues bring that up as well. If there is any additional information that Council can get about that as she considers it a priority. We are growing and south Tracy is too far away from downtown and response times are getting longer as traffic is getting dense.

Ms. Lichtwardt responded staff mentioned a project is being discussed in the Public Facilities Master Plan which will come back to Council. They are not on the CIP just yet, but timing and juggling will need to occur to get that on to a CIP list.

Mayor Pro Tem Davis expressed support for the Nature Park. It should be a priority. Went to Legacy Fields a few weeks ago and got to see what looks like marshland and birds and think it would be a good thing to get that going sooner than later. It compliments Legacy Fields very well if the budget allows.

Mayor Pro Tem Davis announced the various Tracy events she attended, invited our littles to come out and have pictures with the Easter bunny and get a free treat at Workvine209 suites on Friday. Will also be attending the Red Tour tomorrow.

Council Member Arriola reported on the National League of Cities trip to Washington D.C. and lobbying efforts for the needs of Tracy. Concur with Mayor Pro Tem Davis that the best thing to do is get contact information as useful tools.

Council Member Arriola stated he had good time on Taps on Tenth and thanked the Mayor for issuing a Proclamation for Transgender Day of Visibility and wished everyone a happy Easter.

Council Member Evans reported on the National League of Cities trip to Washington D.C. and lobbying efforts and connecting with leaders from other cities. Council Member Evans felt in the future he does not know if it is necessary to send five Council Members and staff to Washington D.C., could reduce to two and collaborate when they return. Travel policy is coming back and can discuss at that time.

Council Member Evans supported the Nature Park also. Council Member Evans announced various events he has attended in Tracy.

Mayor Young asked for support to get our census tracking updated and current because right now to show we do not have any disadvantaged communities is bad for our community because we are not taking advantage of the different opportunities to show we have a need in our community. Council Member Evans and Mayor Pro Tem Davis supported the request.

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Mayor Young wished everyone a happy Easter. Mayor Young spoke about the importance of making contacts and connections and building relationships and reported on the National League of Cities trip to Washington D.C and her past and current experiences and grant benefits for the City because of relationships she has built with various other elected officials such as Congressman Harder, Senator Eggman, Senator Padilla, CEO of AAMA. Mayor Young shared other grant and project opportunities she has had the opportunity to seek for the City due to connections and relationships.

Mayor Young thanked those who contributed to making sure she attends the AAMA and anticipates there will be a lot more positive things that will come from that which will help our community. Mayor Young read out the theme for the 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference.

7. ADJOURNMENT – Time: 10:29 p.m.

**ACTION:** Motion was made by Council Member Arriola and seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Davis to adjourn. Roll call found all in favor; passed and so ordered.

The above agenda was posted at the Tracy City Hall on March 30, 2023. The above are action minutes. A recording is available at the office of the City Clerk.

	Mayor
ATTEST:	
City Clerk	

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

Staff recommends that the City Council adopt a resolution awarding a construction contract to Tracy Grading & Paving, Inc. of Tracy, California, in the amount of \$79,800 for the Annual Water Valve Replacement Project, FY22-23, CIP 75168, with a not-to-exceed budget of \$99,750 and authorize the City Manager to approve change orders up to the contingency amount of \$7,980, if needed.

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

City staff requests that the City Council award a construction contract for CIP 75168, the Annual Water Valve Replacement Project, FY22-23, to Tracy Grading & Paving, Inc. of Tracy, California, in the amount of \$79,800 with a not-to-exceed amount of \$99,750 and authorize the City Manager to approve change orders up to the contingency amount of \$7,980, if needed.

#### BACKGROUND AND LEGISLATIVE HISTORY

CIP 75168 for the Annual Water Valve Replacement Project was established by Resolution No. 2022-085 as part of the FY 2022-2023 Budget. This project will replace eight (8) aging water valves in Golden Springs Drive between Kavanagh Avenue and Camellia Drive, and one fire hydrant valve in Atlanta Drive at Kavanagh Avenue. The project includes restoration of impacted pavement and striping when the valve replacement work is complete.

Water valve locations were selected by the City's Operations Division based on greatest needs.

Engineering staff prepared the plans and specifications and advertised the project for competitive bids on February 3<sup>rd</sup> and February 10<sup>th</sup>, 2023. Bids were received and publicly opened on March 1, 2023, at 2:00 p.m. with the following results:

Contractor	Bid Amount
Tracy Grading & Paving, Inc., Tracy, CA	\$79,800
Frontline General Engineering Construction, Inc., San Lorenzo, CA	\$159,811

#### **ANALYSIS**

Bid analysis indicates that the lowest monetary bid is responsive and the bidder, Tracy Grading and Paving, Inc. of Tracy, California, is responsible. The bidder has the appropriate contractor's license in active standing with the State of California and has completed similar projects within the City of Tracy.

The total estimated cost of this project, if awarded to the lowest bidder, is as follows:

Construction Bid	\$79,800
Construction Management (10%)	\$7,980
Design Support During Construction (5%)	\$3,990
Contingency (15%)	\$7,980
Total Project Cost	\$99.750

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Tracy Municipal Code Section 2.20.090(b) authorizes the City Manager to approve change orders up to the contingency amount of \$7,980 for this project, which is 10% of the construction contract cost.

#### FISCAL IMPACT

The total estimated project cost is \$99,750 and will be funded by CIP 75168, Annual Water Valve Replacement Project, FY22-23, which has a current available budget of \$100,000 from Water Capital.

#### PUBLIC OUTREACH / INTEREST

Residents adjacent to the project will be notified by the contractor of the construction schedule and any service interruptions.

#### COORDINATION

Engineering Staff coordinated with the Operations Division, as well as Tracy Unified School District's Jacobson Elementary School.

#### **CEQA DETERMINATION**

The project is categorically exempt from CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15301, which pertains to the operation, repair, maintenance, permitting, leasing, licensing, or minor alteration of an existing facility.

#### STRATEGIC PLAN

This agenda item supports the City of Tracy's Quality of Life Strategic Priority.

#### ACTION REQUESTED OF THE CITY COUNCIL

That City Council, by resolution, award a construction contract to Tracy Grading & Paving, Inc. of Tracy, California, in the amount of \$79,800 for the Annual Water Valve Replacement Project, FY22-23, CIP 75168, with a not-to-exceed budget of \$99,750 including construction management, design support and contingencies, and authorize the City Manager to approve change orders up to a contingency amount of \$7,980, if needed.

Prepared by: D'Evelyn Spekner, Associate Engineer

Ilene Macintire, PE, Senior Civil Engineer

Reviewed by: Koosun Kim, PE, City Engineer / Assistant Director of Development Services

Jaylen French, Director of Development Services

Sara Cowell, Finance Director

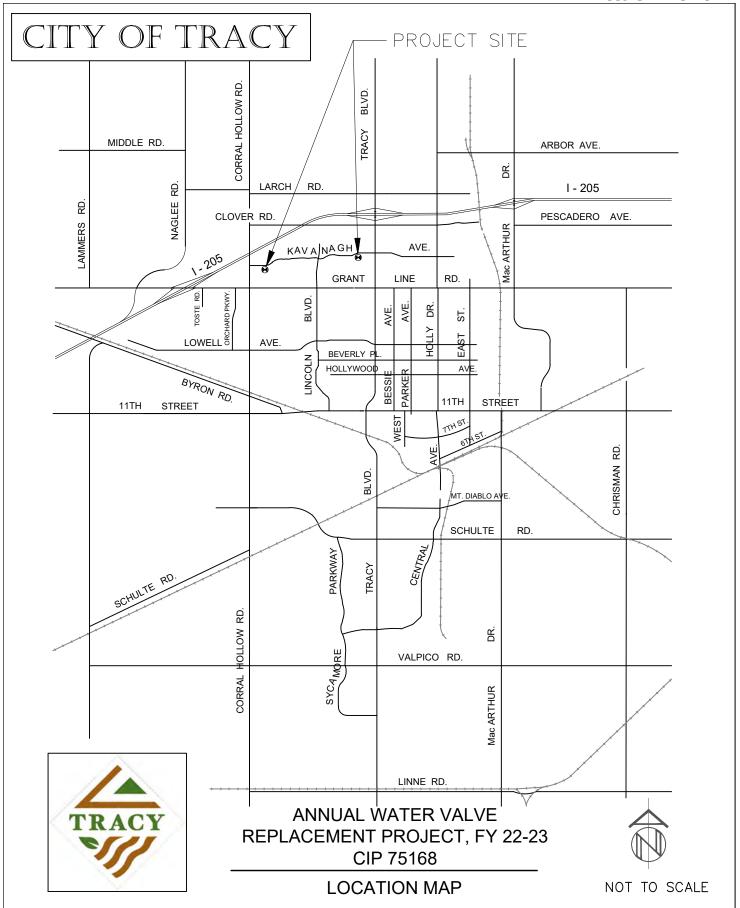
Nancy Ashjian, Assistant City Attorney Karin Schnaider, Assistant City Manager

Approved by: Midori Lichtwardt, Acting City Manager

#### ATTACHMENTS

Attachment A – Location Map

## **Attachment A**



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#### TRACY CITY COUNCIL

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AWARDING A CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT TO TRACY GRADING & PAVING, INC. OF TRACY, CALIFORNIA, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$79,800, FOR THE ANNUAL WATER VALVE REPLACEMENT PROJECT, FY22-23, CIP 75168, WITH A NOT-TO-EXCEED BUDGET OF \$99,750 AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO APPROVE CHANGE ORDERS UP TO THE CONTINGENCY AMOUNT OF \$7,980, IF NEEDED

**WHEREAS,** the Annual Water Valve Replacement Project, CIP 75168, is an approved project; and

**WHEREAS**, engineering staff prepared the plans and specifications and advertised the project for competitive bids on February 3, 2023, and February 10, 2023. Bids were received and publicly opened in City Hall Room 203/Teleconference at 2:00 p.m. on March 1, 2023, with the following results:

Contractor	Bid Amount
Tracy Grading & Paving, Inc., Tracy, CA	\$79,800
Frontline General Engineering Construction, Inc., San Lorenzo, CA	\$159,811

; and

**WHEREAS,** Tracy Grading & Paving, Inc., of Tracy, California, was the apparent lowest bidder; and

**WHEREAS**, the bid analysis indicates the bid is "responsive" and the bidder is "responsible;" and

**WHEREAS**, the Tracy Municipal Code Section 2.20.090(b) authorizes the City Manager to approve change orders up to the contingency amount approved by City Council; and

WHEREAS, the recommended contingency amount for this project is \$7,980; and

**WHEREAS,** the City Council has authorized a not-to-exceed budget of \$99,750; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED:** That the City Council of the City of Tracy hereby awards a construction contract to Tracy Grading & Paving, Inc., of Tracy, California, in the amount of \$79,800 for the Annual Water Valve Replacement Project, FY22-23, CIP 75168, with a not-to-exceed budget of

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\$99,750 and auth amount of \$7,980	orizes the City Manager to approve change orders up to the contingency , if needed.
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	oing Resolution 2023 was adopted by the Tracy City Council on the 023 by the following vote:
AYES: NOES: ABSENT: ABSTENTION:	COUNCIL MEMBERS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: COUNCIL MEMBERS:
	NANCY D. YOUNG Mayor of the City of Tracy, California
ATTEST:ADRIANNE RICH City Clerk and Cle City of Tracy, Cali	erk of the Council of the

#### Agenda Item 1.C

#### RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the City Council adopt a Resolution authorizing 1) amendments to the City's Classification and Compensation Plans and Master Salary Schedule to add the classification of Financial Analyst I/II and increase the bi-weekly salary range for the Parks Planning and Development Manager from \$3,968.44 - \$4,823.67 to \$4,365.28 - \$5,306.04, 2) amendments to several existing classifications to reflect modifications to job duties; and 3) reallocation of a current Management Analyst I/II in the Finance Department to a Financial Analyst I/II, effective Fiscal Year 2022-23.

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The City's Classification and Compensation Plans and Master Salary Schedule contain the job descriptions and classifications of all City personnel, as well as salary ranges. This report recommends authorizing 1) amendments to these plans and schedule so as to establish one new classification for Financial Analyst I/II; 2) amendments to various existing classifications, including the Assistant City Engineer, Director of Housing and Mobility, Environmental Compliance Technician, Fleet Supervisor, Laboratory Technician I/II, Parks Planning and Development Manager, Public Works Superintendent, Public Works Supervisor, Senior Maintenance Worker, Utility Line Maintenance Superintendent, Utility Mechanic I/II, Wastewater Operations Superintendent, Police Corporal, Police Sergeant, Police Lieutenant and Police Captain; and 3) Reallocation of a current Management Analyst I/II to a Financial Analyst I/II effective FY 2022-23.

#### BACKGROUND AND LEGISLATIVE HISTORY

Periodically, the Human Resources Department receives requests to review existing classification specifications or to develop new classification specifications to allow for changes that have occurred in areas such as job responsibilities, organizational structure, education, experience, and/or service needs. Due to department reviews for organizational needs, the classification of Financial Analyst I/II was created.

The Public Employees' Retirement Law governs the California Public Employees Retirement System (CalPERS) codified in Title 2 of the California Code of Regulations. Section 570.5 of the California Code of Regulations requires City Council approve the rate of pay for classification titles in a publicly available pay schedule for employees who are members of CalPERS. Under the City's Personnel Rules (Section 3.1.6), the City Council must approve the Classification and Compensation Plans and any amendments to said plans. State law requires that Council approve a Master Salary Schedule reflecting the salaries of all personnel.

#### **ANALYSIS**

The FY 22/23 budget reflected changes to the organization structure resulting in the creation of the Innovation and Technology Department, Mobility and Housing Department and Operations and Utilities Department. As a result, changes to classification titles and department assignments

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are necessary to reflect the updated organizational structure. Additionally, there have been operational changes within the Finance, Parks and Recreation and Police Departments requiring modification to existing job descriptions.

#### **ESTABLISH NEW CLASSIFICATIONS**

#### Financial Analyst I/II

To support citywide purchasing and procurement needs, Human Resources conducted a classification review and recommends the creation of the Financial Analyst I/II classification. The Financial Analyst I/II will be responsible for performing specialized professional financial related assignments including a variety of professional accounting and budgeting duties in support of departments within City government, including purchasing, accounts payable, capital assets, investments and budget preparation, utilities, and internal service operations. Due to an upcoming vacancy in the Management Analyst I/II classification in the Finance Department, staff recommends reallocating one Management Analyst I/II to one Financial Analyst I/II.

Staff recommends the bi-weekly salary range for the Financial Analyst I/II at \$3,137.18 - \$4,385.15. The salary range recommendation was determined by a survey of comparable agencies with consideration of internal equities of similar classifications. The Financial Analyst I/I is recommended at the salary range for Management Analyst I/II and there is no cost increase associated with reallocating one Management Analyst I/II to one Finance Analyst I/II.

#### **CLASSIFICATION REVISIONS**

## **Reorganization July 2022**

To reflect the current organizational structured approved in the FY 22/23 budget, revisions were made to the existing Laboratory Technician I/II, Public Works Superintendent, Public Works Supervisor, Senior Maintenance Worker, Utility Line Maintenance Superintendent, Utility Mechanic I/II, Wastewater Operations Superintendent and Water Operations Superintendent to remove references to the Public Works and Utilities Department and reflect reference to the Operations and Utilities Department. Staff also recommends updating the title of Director of Housing and Mobility to Director of Mobility and Housing to align with the title of the department. There are no salary changes because of these classification updates.

#### **Assistant City Engineer**

Staff recommends expanding the minimum qualifications for the Assistant City Engineer classification to include either the Registered Professional Civil Engineer license or Registered Traffic Engineer License to support the expanding traffic needs of the community. There are no salary changes because of the classification update.

#### **Environmental Compliance Technician**

Human Resources received a request to review the Environmental Compliance Technician position as the department identified changes in job responsibilities and state certification requirements. A review of the position resulted in the addition of testing and repair of backflow

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prevention devices to the typical duties as well as adding the required certifications necessary to the areas of pre-treatment, water distribution and supply assignments. There are no salary changes because of the classification update.

#### **Parks Planning and Development Manager**

The Parks Planning and Development Manager position was updated to reflect supervision of professional staff as well as the incumbent's increased budgetary duties and responsibilities. Additionally, the minimum qualifications were updated to make the Landscape Architect Certification a requirement of the position to reflect the technical expertise needed to successfully perform the work assigned.

Due to the expanded scope of work added to the Parks, Planning and Development Manager and in concert with the Compensation Philosophy, staff recommends increasing the salary from \$4,365.28 to \$5,306.04 bi-weekly, which is 10% above the next lowest level subordinate.

#### **Fleet Supervisor**

The revisions to the Fleet Supervisor classification include modifying the minimum qualifications to reflect desired certification requirements to broaden the applicant pool. There are no salary changes as a result of the classification update.

#### **Police Department**

The revisions to the Police Corporal, Sergeant, Lieutenant, and Captain classifications include modifying the minimum qualifications to further clarify the requirements of each position. These minor modifications are in support of the Tracy Police Departments robust professional development and succession plan. There are no recommended salary changes associated with these updates.

In addition, staff provided the assigned bargaining units with the proposed updates to the job descriptions and the bargaining units agreed with these recommendations.

The Master Salary Schedule effective April 18, 2023 (Attachment A) reflects the salary range for each new and revised classification discussed in this report.

#### FISCAL IMPACT

This action amends the City's Classification and Compensation plan by establishing one new specification and revising the class specification for the positions contained in this report and amends the Position Control Roster to reallocate the current Management Analyst I/II in the Finance Department to a Financial Analyst I/II. The increased cost of the Parks Planning and Development Manager salary increase will be absorbed in the FY2022-2023 Parks and Recreation department budget. The remaining classifications were previously approved in the established FY2022-23 budget.

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#### STRATEGIC PLAN

This agenda item supports the City's Governance Strategy and Business Plan, and specifically implements the following goals and objectives:

Governance Strategy

Goal 1: Further develop an organization to attract, motivate, develop, and retain a high-quality, engaged, high-performing, and informed workforce.

Objective 1b: Affirm organizational values.

#### ACTION REQUESTED OF THE CITY COUNCIL

Staff recommends that the City Council adopt a Resolution authorizing 1) amendments to the City's Classification and Compensation Plans and Master Salary Schedule to add the classification of Financial Analyst I/II and increase the bi-weekly salary range for the Parks Planning and Development Manager from \$3,968.44 - \$4,823.67 to \$4,365.28 - \$5,306.04, 2) amendments to several existing classifications to reflect modifications to job duties; and 3) reallocation of a current Management Analyst I/II in the Finance Department to a Financial Analyst I/II, effective Fiscal Year 2022-23.

Prepared by: JoAnn Weberg, Human Resources Manager

Reviewed by: Kimberly Murdaugh, Director of Human Resources

Sara Cowell, Director of Finance

Bijal Patel, City Attorney

Karin Schnaider, Assistant City Manager

Approved by: Midori Lichtwardt, Acting City Manager

#### Attachments:

- A Master Salary Schedule Effective April 18, 2023
- B Assistant City Engineer
- C Director of Mobility and Housing
- D Environmental Compliance Technician
- E Financial Analyst I/II
- F Fleet Supervisor
- G Laboratory Technician I/II
- H Operations Superintendent
- I Operations Supervisor
- J Parks Planning and Development Manager
- K Police Captain
- L Police Corporal
- M Police Lieutenant
- N Police Sergeant
- O Senior Maintenance Worker
- P Utility Line Maintenance Superintendent
- Q Utility Mechanic I/II
- R Wastewater Operations Superintendent
- S Water Operations Superintendent

Class Code	Position Title	Unit	Step	Bi-Weekly Salary	Monthly Salary	Annual Salary	Hourly Rate
4112	Account Clerk	TTSSEA	Α	2,176.60	4,715.97	56,591.60	27.2075
			В	2,285.44	4,951.79	59,421.44	28.5680
			С	2,399.70	5,199.35	62,392.20	29.9963
			D	2,519.69	5,459.33	65,511.94	31.4961
			E	2,645.68	5,732.31	68,787.68	33.0710
3106	Accountant*	TMMBU	Α	3,422.14	7,414.64	88,975.64	42.7768
			В	3,593.25	7,785.38	93,424.50	44.9156
			С	3,772.91	8,174.64	98,095.66	47.1614
			D	3,961.54	8,583.34	103,000.04	49.5193
			Е	4,159.62	9,012.51	108,150.12	51.9953
2520	Accounting Manager*	CONF	Α	4,947.25	10,719.04	128,628.50	61.8406
			В	5,194.61	11,254.99	135,059.86	64.9326
			С	5,454.35	11,817.76	141,813.10	68.1794
			D	5,727.07	12,408.65	148,903.82	71.5884
			Е	6,013.44	13,029.12	156,349.44	75.1680
4201	Accounting Technician	TTSSEA	Α	2,676.79	5,799.71	69,596.54	33.4599
	· ·		В	2,810.65	6,089.74	73,076.90	35.1331
			С	2,951.17	6,394.20	76,730.42	36.8896
			D	3,098.74	6,713.94	80,567.24	38.7343
			E	3,253.69	7,049.66	84,595.94	40.6711
4102	Administrative Assistant	TTSSEA	Α	2,166.98	4,695.12	56,341.48	27.0873
			В	2,275.31	4,929.84	59,158.06	28.4414
			С	2,389.09	5,176.36	62,116.34	29.8636
			D	2,508.53	5,435.15	65,221.78	31.3566
			E	2,633.95	5,706.89	68,482.70	32.9244
8102	Administrative Assistant - Confidential	CONF	Α	2,220.71	4,811.54	57,738.46	27.7589
			В	2,331.73	5,052.08	60,624.98	29.1466
			С	2,448.32	5,304.69	63,656.32	30.6040
			D	2,570.75	5,569.96	66,839.50	32.1344
			Е	2,699.28	5,848.44	70,181.28	33.7410
4107	Administrative Technician	TTSSEA	Α	2,676.79	5,799.71	69,596.54	33.4599
			В	2,810.65	6,089.74	73,076.90	35.1331
			С	2,951.17	6,394.20	76,730.42	36.8896
			D	3,098.74	6,713.94	80,567.24	38.7343
			E	3,253.69	7,049.66	84,595.94	40.6711
3510	Airport Manager*	TMMBU	Α	3,473.74	7,526.44	90,317.24	43.4218
			В	3,647.41	7,902.72	94,832.66	45.5926
			С	3,829.78	8,297.86	99,574.28	47.8723
			D	4,021.26	8,712.73	104,552.76	50.2658
			E	4,222.32	9,148.36	109,780.32	52.7790
5522	Animal Services Aide	TEAMSTERS	Α	1,485.35	3,218.26	38,619.10	18.5669
			В	1,559.62	3,379.18	40,550.12	19.4953
			С	1,637.62	3,548.18	42,578.12	20.4703
			D	1,719.49	3,725.56	44,706.74	21.4936
			E	1,805.46	3,911.83	46,941.96	22.5683

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Code	Position Title	Unit	Step	Salary	Salary	Salary	Rate
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3620	Animal Services Manager*	TMMBU	Α	3,731.54	8,085.00	97,020.04	46.6443
	3		В	3,918.12	8,489.26	101,871.12	48.9765
			Ċ	4,114.03	8,913.73	106,964.78	51.4254
			D				
				4,319.72	9,359.39	112,312.72	53.9965
			Е	4,535.71	9,827.37	117,928.46	56.6964
5521	Animal Services Officer I	TEAMSTERS	Α	2,067.32	4,479.19	53,750.32	25.8415
			В	2,170.66	4,703.10	56,437.16	27.1333
			С	2,279.18	4,938.22	59,258.68	28.4898
			D	2,393.14	5,185.14	62,221.64	29.9143
			Е	2,512.82	5,444.44	65,333.32	31.4103
5523	Animal Services Officer II	TEAMSTERS	Α	2,274.51	4,928.11	59,137.26	28.4314
			В	2,388.22	5,174.48	62,093.72	29.8528
			С	2,507.66	5,433.26	65,199.16	31.3458
			D	2,633.03	5,704.90	68,458.78	32.9129
			Ē	2,764.70	5,990.18	71,882.20	34.5588
			_	2,701.70	0,000.10	7 1,002.20	01.0000
3621	Animal Services Supervisor	TMMBU	Α	2,764.97	5,990.77	71,889.22	34.5621
		NON EXEMPT	В	2,903.22	6,290.31	75,483.72	36.2903
			С	3,048.37	6,604.80	79,257.62	38.1046
			D	3,200.79	6,935.05	83,220.54	40.0099
			Ē	3,360.83	7,281.80	87,381.58	42.0104
			-	3,300.03	7,201.00	07,301.30	42.0104
2573	Assistant City Attorney*	CONF	Α	6,298.08	13,645.84	163,750.08	78.7260
			В	6,612.97	14,328.10	171,937.22	82.6621
			С	6,943.62	15,044.51	180,534.12	86.7953
			D	7,290.80	15,796.73	189,560.80	91.1350
			E	7,655.33	16,586.55	199,038.58	95.6916
			L	7,000.00	10,560.55	199,036.36	95.0910
3338	Assistant City Engineer*	TMMBU	Α	5,303.20	11,490.27	137,883.20	66.2900
	, ,		В	5,582.32	12,095.03	145,140.32	69.7790
			С	5,876.13	12,731.62	152,779.38	73.4516
			D	6,185.40	13,401.70	160,820.40	77.3175
			E	6,510.94	14,107.04	169,284.44	81.3868
			-	0,510.94	14,107.04	103,204.44	01.3000
1502	Assistant City Manager*	DH	Min	9,173.88	19,876.74	238,520.89	114.6735
	, 3		Max	9,838.86	21,317.53	255,810.35	122.9858
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2682	Assistant Director DES*	CONF	Α	6,015.05	13,032.61	156,391.30	75.1881
			В	6,315.80	13,684.23	164,210.80	78.9475
			С	6,631.58	14,368.42	172,421.08	82.8948
			D	6,963.15	15,086.83	181,041.90	87.0394
			Ē	7,311.31	15,841.17	190,094.06	91.3914
			L	7,311.31	13,041.17	190,094.06	91.3914
2681	Assistant Director DES/City Engineer*	CONF	Α	6,301.83	13,653.97	163,847.58	78.7729
			В	6,616.92	14,336.66	172,039.92	82.7115
			С	6,947.77	15,053.50	180,642.02	86.8471
			D	7,295.15	15,806.16	189,673.90	91.1894
			E	7,659.93	16,596.52	199,158.18	95.7491
			-	. ,000.00	. 0,000.02	.55,155.15	33 101
2635	Assistant Director Operations*	CONF	Α	6,015.05	13,032.61	156,391.30	75.1881
	·		В	6,315.80	13,684.23	164,210.80	78.9475
			С	6,631.58	14,368.42	172,421.08	82.8948
			D	6,963.15	15,086.83	181,041.90	87.0394
			Ē	7,311.31	15,841.17	190,094.06	91.3914
			-	1,011.01	10,041.11	100,004.00	31.3314

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B		Position Title	Unit	Step	-	•		-
B	2636	Assistant Director Litilities*	CONE	۸	6.015.05	12 022 61	156 201 20	75 1001
C	2030	Assistant Director Othities	CONF					
Box								
Recommendate					6,631.58		172,421.08	82.8948
Resistant Engineer*				D	6,963.15	15,086.83	181,041.90	87.0394
B   3,822.89   8,282.93   99.395.14   47.7861   C   4,014.04   8,670.91   109,583.24   52.6843   E   4,14.74   9,131.94   109,583.24   52.6843   E   4,425.49   9,588.56   115,062.74   55.3186   E   3,188.28   6,765.27   81,075.28   38,9785   C   3,274.19   7,094.08   85,128.94   40,9274   D   3,437.90   7,448.78   89,385.40   42,9738   42,9738   24,9738   2								
B   3,822.89   8,282.93   99.395.14   47.7861   C   4,014.04   8,670.91   109,583.24   52.6843   E   4,14.74   9,131.94   109,583.24   52.6843   E   4,425.49   9,588.56   115,062.74   55.3186   E   3,188.28   6,765.27   81,075.28   38,9785   C   3,274.19   7,094.08   85,128.94   40,9274   D   3,437.90   7,448.78   89,385.40   42,9738   42,9738   24,9738   2	3302	Assistant Engineer*	TMMBU	Α	3.640.87	7.888.55	94.662.62	45.5109
C		3						
D   4,214.74   9,131.94   109,583.24   52.6843   52.6843   52.6843   52.322   Assistant Planner   TEAMSTERS   A   2,969.79   6,434.55   77,214.54   37,1224   38,9785   6,766.27   81,075.28   38,9785   6,734.37   0,744.87   89,385.40   42.9738   2,741.97   7,094.08   6,766.27   81,075.28   38,9785   2,741.97   7,094.08   6,766.27   81,075.28   38,9785   40.9274					•			
TEAMSTERS   A   2,969.79   6,434.55   77,214.54   37,1224   37,1224   38,9785   27,214.54   37,1224   37,1224   38,9785   27,214.54   37,1224   38,9785   27,214.54   37,1224   38,9785   28,7274.19   7,094.08   85,128.94   40,9274   29,738   40,9274   29,738   40,9274   29,738   40,9274   29,738   40,9274   29,738   42,9738								
TEAMSTERS								
B   3,118,28   6,756,27   81,075,28   38,9785     C   3,274,19   7,094,08   85,128,94   40,9274     D   3,437,90   7,448,78   89,385,40   42,9738     E   3,609,80   7,821,23   93,854,80   45,1225     2580   Assistant to the City Manager*				E	4,425.49	9,588.56	115,062.74	55.3186
C   3,274,19   7,094,08   85,128,94   40,9274     D   3,437,90   7,448,78   89,385,40   42,9738     S   3,609,80   7,821,23   93,854,80   45,1225     S   3,609,80   7,821,23   93,854,80   45,1225     S   3,609,80   7,821,23   93,854,80   45,1225     S   4,1254,90   135,059,86   61,8406     C   5,454,35   11,817,76   141,813,10   68,1794     D   5,727,07   12,408,65   148,903,82   71,5884     E   6,013,44   13,029,12   156,349,44   75,1680     S   4,219,94   9,143,20   109,718,44   52,7493     C   4,430,96   9,600,41   115,204,96   55,3870     D   4,652,49   10,080,40   120,964,74   58,1561     E   4,885,11   10,584,41   127,012,86   61,0639     S   3,571,26   7,737,73   92,852,76   44,630,8     S   3,571,26   7,737,73   92,852,76   44,630,8     D   3,937,31   8,530,84   102,370,66   49,2164     E   4,184,19   8,957,41   107,488,94   51,6774     S   4,451   8,957,41   107,488,94   51,6774     S   5,374,94   51,6774   51,6774   53,684   53,745,44   28,2430     S   4,451   8,957,41   107,488,94   51,6774     S   5,374,94   51,674   51,674   51,674     S   5,374,94   51,674   51,674   51,674   51,674     S   5,374,94   51,67	5232	Assistant Planner	TEAMSTERS	Α	2,969.79	6,434.55	77,214.54	37.1224
D   3,437.90   7,448.78   89,385.40   42.9738   E   3,609.80   7,821.23   93,854.80   45.1225   2580   Assistant to the City Manager*   CONF   A   4,947.25   10,719.04   128,628.50   61.408.05   61.408.05   62.50   61.408.05   62.50   61.408.05   62.50   61.408.05   62.50   62.50   63.208   64.9326   64.9326   64.9326   64.9326   64.9326   64.9326   64.9326   64.9326   64.9326   64.9326   64.9326   64.9328   71.5884   71				В	3,118.28	6,756.27	81,075.28	38.9785
D   3,437.90   7,448.78   89.385.40   42.9738   E   3,609.80   7,821.23   93.854.80   45.1225   2580   Assistant to the City Manager*   CONF   A   4,947.25   10,719.04   128,628.50   61.406.20   64.9326   62.50   62.50   61.406.20   64.9326   62.50   6				С		7.094.08		40.9274
E   3,609.80   7,821.23   93,854.80   45.1225								
Assistant to the City Manager*								
B   5,194.61   11,254.99   135,059.86   64,9326   C   5,454.35   11,817.76   114,181.10   68.1794     D   5,727.07   12,408.65   148,903.82   71,5884     E   6,013.44   13,029.12   156,349.44   75,1680     A   4,019.01   8,707.86   104,494.26   50,2376     B   4,219.94   9,143.20   109,718.44   52,7493     C   4,430.96   9,600.41   115,204.96   55,3870     D   4,652.49   10,080.40   120,964.74   58.1561     E   4,885.11   10,584.41   127,012.86   61,0639     A   4,219.94   9,143.20   109,718.44   52,7493     C   4,430.96   9,600.41   115,204.96   61,0639     A   4,219.94   9,143.20   109,718.44   52,7493     C   4,430.96   9,600.41   115,204.96   55,3870     D   4,652.49   10,080.40   120,964.74   58.1561     E   4,885.11   10,584.41   127,012.86   61,0639     A   4,219.94   9,143.20   109,718.44   52,7493     C   4,430.96   9,600.41   115,204.96   55.3870     D   4,652.49   10,080.40   120,964.74   58.1561     E   4,885.11   10,584.41   127,012.86   61,0639     A   4,919.94   9,143.20   109,718.44   52,7493     C   4,330.96   9,600.41   115,204.96   55.3870     D   4,652.49   10,080.40   120,964.74   58.1561     E   4,885.11   10,584.41   127,012.86   61,0639     A   4,885.11   10,584.41   127,012.86     A   4,885.11   10,584.41   127,012.86				L	3,009.00	1,021.23	93,034.00	45.1225
B   5,194.61   11,254.99   135,059.86   64,9326   C   5,454.35   11,817.76   114,181.10   68.1794     D   5,727.07   12,408.65   148,903.82   71,5884     E   6,013.44   13,029.12   156,349.44   75,1680     A   4,019.01   8,707.86   104,494.26   50,2376     B   4,219.94   9,143.20   109,718.44   52,7493     C   4,430.96   9,600.41   115,204.96   55,3870     D   4,652.49   10,080.40   120,964.74   58.1561     E   4,885.11   10,584.41   127,012.86   61,0639     A   4,219.94   9,143.20   109,718.44   52,7493     C   4,430.96   9,600.41   115,204.96   61,0639     A   4,219.94   9,143.20   109,718.44   52,7493     C   4,430.96   9,600.41   115,204.96   55,3870     D   4,652.49   10,080.40   120,964.74   58.1561     E   4,885.11   10,584.41   127,012.86   61,0639     A   4,219.94   9,143.20   109,718.44   52,7493     C   4,430.96   9,600.41   115,204.96   55.3870     D   4,652.49   10,080.40   120,964.74   58.1561     E   4,885.11   10,584.41   127,012.86   61,0639     A   4,919.94   9,143.20   109,718.44   52,7493     C   4,330.96   9,600.41   115,204.96   55.3870     D   4,652.49   10,080.40   120,964.74   58.1561     E   4,885.11   10,584.41   127,012.86   61,0639     A   4,885.11   10,584.41   127,012.86     A   4,885.11   10,584.41   127,012.86	2580	Assistant to the City Manager*	CONF	Α	4.947.25	10.719.04	128.628.50	61.8406
C   5,454.35   11,817.76   141,813.10   68.1794   C   5,727.07   12,408.65   141,819.31.82   71.5884   E   6,013.44   13,029.12   156,349.44   75.1680   6   6,013.44   13,029.12   156,349.44   75.1680   6   6,013.44   13,029.12   156,349.44   75.1680   6   6,013.44   13,029.12   156,349.44   75.1680   6   6,013.44   13,029.12   156,349.44   75.1680   6   6,013.44   13,029.12   156,349.44   52.7493   C   4,430.96   9,600.41   115,204.96   55.3870   D   4,652.49   10,080.40   120,964.74   58.1561   E   4,885.11   10,584.41   127,012.86   61.0639   6   6   6   6   6   6   6   6   6								
D   5,727.07   12,408.65   148,903.82   71.5884   75.1680   6,013.44   13,029.12   156,349.44   75.1680								
Record   R								
TMMBU   A   4,019.01   8,707.86   104,494.26   50.2376								
B   4,219.94   9,143.20   109,718.44   52.7493   C   4,430.96   9,600.41   115,204.96   55.3870   D   4,652.49   10,808.40   120,964.74   58.1561   E   4,885.11   10,584.41   127,012.86   61.0639   B   4,219.94   9,143.20   109,718.44   52.7493   109,718.44   115,204.96   55.3870   109,718.44   52.7493   109,718.44   52.7493   109,718.44   52.7493   109,718.44   115,204.96   55.3870   109,718.44   115,204.96   55.3870   109,718.44   115,204.96   55.3870   109,718.44   115,204.96   55.3870   109,718.44   115,204.96   55.3870   109,718.44   115,204.96   55.3870   109,718.44   115,204.96   55.3870   109,718.44   115,204.96   109,718.44   115				E	6,013.44	13,029.12	156,349.44	75.1680
C   4,430.96   9,600.41   115,204.96   55.3870     D   4,652.49   10,080.40   120,964.74   58.1561     E   4,885.11   10,584.41   127,012.86   61.0639     3303   Associate Civil Engineer*	3333	Associate Engineer*	TMMBU	Α	4,019.01	8,707.86	104,494.26	50.2376
C   4,430.96   9,600.41   115,204.96   55.3870     D   4,652.49   10,080.40   120,964.74   58.1561     E   4,885.11   10,584.41   127,012.86   61.0639     3303   Associate Civil Engineer*				В		9.143.20	109.718.44	52.7493
D   4,652.49   10,080.40   120,964.74   58.1561     E   4,885.11   10,584.41   127,012.86   61.0639     3303   Associate Civil Engineer*								
Box Office Assistant   TISSEA   A   1,951.79   4,228.88   50,746.54   24,3974   25,376   24,2559   26,377.44   25,677.25   26,472.31   27,012.86   61.0639								
Associate Civil Engineer*								
B   4,219.94   9,143.20   109,718.44   52.7493     C   4,430.96   9,600.41   115,204.96   55.3870     D   4,652.49   10,080.40   120,964.74   58.1561     E   4,885.11   10,584.41   127,012.86   61.0639     3202   Associate Planner*					4,000.11	10,564.41	121,012.00	61.0039
B   4,219.94   9,143.20   109,718.44   52.7493     C   4,430.96   9,600.41   115,204.96   55.3870     D   4,652.49   10,080.40   120,964.74   58.1561     E   4,885.11   10,584.41   127,012.86   61.0639     3202   Associate Planner*	3303	Associate Civil Engineer*	TMMBU	Α	4.019.01	8.707.86	104.494.26	50.2376
C   4,430.96   9,600.41   115,204.96   55.3870     D   4,652.49   10,080.40   120,964.74   58.1561     E   4,885.11   10,584.41   127,012.86   61.0639     3202   Associate Planner*								
D   4,652.49   10,080.40   120,964.74   58.1561     E   4,885.11   10,584.41   127,012.86   61.0639     3202   Associate Planner*								
## Associate Planner*  ### Ass								
3202 Associate Planner*  TMMBU A 3,401.20 7,369.27 88,431.20 42.5150 B 3,571.26 7,737.73 92,852.76 44.6408 C 3,749.82 B,124.61 97,495.32 46.8728 D 3,937.31 8,530.84 102,370.06 49.2164 E 4,134.19 8,957.41 107,488.94 51.6774  4451 Box Office Assistant  TTSSEA A 1,951.79 4,228.88 50,746.54 24.3974 C 2,151.86 4,662.36 55,948.36 26.8983 D 2,259.44 4,895.45 58,745.44 28.2430 E 2,372.44 5,140.29 61,683.44 29.6555  4455 Box Office Coordinator  TTSSEA A 2,580.47 5,591.02 67,092.22 32.2559 B 2,709.51 5,870.61 70,447.26 33.8689 C 2,844.97 6,164.10 73,969.22 35.5621 D 2,987.22 6,472.31 77,667.72 37.3403								
Here the second state of t				E	4,885.11	10,584.41	127,012.86	61.0639
C 3,749.82 8,124.61 97,495.32 46.8728 D 3,937.31 8,530.84 102,370.06 49.2164 E 4,134.19 8,957.41 107,488.94 51.6774  4451 Box Office Assistant  TTSSEA A 1,951.79 4,228.88 50,746.54 24.3974 B 2,049.39 4,440.35 53,284.14 25.6174 C 2,151.86 4,662.36 55,948.36 26.8983 D 2,259.44 4,895.45 58,745.44 28.2430 E 2,372.44 5,140.29 61,683.44 29.6555  4455 Box Office Coordinator  TTSSEA A 2,580.47 5,591.02 67,092.22 32.2559 B 2,709.51 5,870.61 70,447.26 33.8689 C 2,844.97 6,164.10 73,969.22 35.5621 D 2,987.22 6,472.31 77,667.72 37.3403	3202	Associate Planner*	TMMBU					
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E 4,134.19 8,957.41 107,488.94 51.6774  Box Office Assistant  TTSSEA  A 1,951.79 4,228.88 50,746.54 24.3974  B 2,049.39 4,440.35 53,284.14 25.6174  C 2,151.86 4,662.36 55,948.36 26.8983  D 2,259.44 4,895.45 58,745.44 28.2430  E 2,372.44 5,140.29 61,683.44 29.6555  Box Office Coordinator  TTSSEA  A 2,580.47 5,591.02 67,092.22 32.2559  B 2,709.51 5,870.61 70,447.26 33.8689  C 2,844.97 6,164.10 73,969.22 35.5621  D 2,987.22 6,472.31 77,667.72 37.3403								
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				E	3,136.58	6,795.92	81,551.08	39.2073

		Waster Salary Ser	icaaic				
Class Code	Position Title	Unit	Step	Bi-Weekly Salary	Monthly Salary	Annual Salary	Hourly Rate
0404	Duduct Offices*	0015	^	4 500 00	0.004.50	440.040.00	57.4045
3104	Budget Officer*	CONF	Α	4,569.96	9,901.58	118,818.96	57.1245
			В	4,798.45	10,396.64	124,759.70	59.9806
			С	5,038.37	10,916.47	130,997.62	62.9796
			D	5,290.30	11,462.32	137,547.80	66.1288
			Е	5,554.82	12,035.44	144,425.32	69.4353
5211	Building Inspector I	TEAMSTERS	Α	2,665.08	5,774.34	69,292.08	33.3135
			В	2,798.33	6,063.05	72,756.58	34.9791
			С	2,938.25	6,366.21	76,394.50	36.7281
			D	3,085.17	6,684.54	80,214.42	38.5646
			Ē	3,239.42	7,018.74	84,224.92	40.4928
5212	Building Inspector II	TEAMSTERS	Α	3,403.75	7,374.79	88,497.50	42.5469
			В	3,573.95	7,743.56	92,922.70	44.6744
			С	3,752.63	8,130.70	97,568.38	46.9079
			D	3,940.27	8,537.25	102,447.02	49.2534
			E	4,137.26	8,964.06	107,568.76	51.7158
5320	Building Maintenance Worker I	TEAMSTERS	Α	2,261.97	4,900.94	58,811.22	28.2746
0020	Building Maintenance Worker 1	TEAMOTERO	В		5,146.01	61,752.08	29.6885
				2,375.08			
			С	2,493.84	5,403.32	64,839.84	31.1730
			D	2,618.53	5,673.48	68,081.78	32.7316
			Е	2,749.46	5,957.16	71,485.96	34.3683
5321	Building Maintenance Worker II	TEAMSTERS	Α	2,493.89	5,403.43	64,841.14	31.1736
	<b>o</b>		В	2,618.59	5,673.61	68,083.34	32.7324
			Ċ	2,749.52	5,957.29	71,487.52	34.3690
			D	2,886.99	6,255.15	75,061.74	36.0874
			E				
			E	3,031.35	6,567.93	78,815.10	37.8919
3341	Building Official*	TMMBU	Α	5,155.45	11,170.14	134,041.70	64.4431
			В	5,413.21	11,728.62	140,743.46	67.6651
			С	5,683.88	12,315.07	147,780.88	71.0485
			D	5,968.07	12,930.82	155,169.82	74.6009
			E	6,266.48	13,577.37	162,928.48	78.3310
4501	Building Permit Technician I	TTSSEA	Α	2,471.54	5,355.00	64,260.04	30.8943
1001	Building Formit Foormolari F	TTOOLIT	В	2,595.13	5,622.78	67,473.38	32.4391
			С	2,724.87	5,903.89	70,846.62	34.0609
			D	2,861.12	6,199.09	74,389.12	35.7640
			E	3,004.18	6,509.06	78,108.68	37.5523
4502	Building Permit Technician II	TTSSEA	Α	2,724.94	5,904.04	70,848.44	34.0618
			В	2,861.19	6,199.25	74,390.94	35.7649
			С	3,004.25	6,509.21	78,110.50	37.5531
			D	3,154.47	6,834.69	82,016.22	39.4309
			E	3,312.19	7,176.41	86,116.94	41.4024
1530	Chief Innovation Officer*	DH	Min	6,866.78	14,878.03	178,536.32	85.8348
.000	CC. IIIIG GAIGH CHIOO	Dii	Max	8,339.89	18,069.77	216,837.24	104.2486
			max	0,000.00	10,000.17	210,007.24	101.2700
1506	City Attorney*	CONTRACT		9,548.10	20,687.55	248,250.60	119.3513

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3110	City Clerk*	TMMBU	A B C D E	4,580.59 4,809.63 5,050.10 5,302.60 5,567.73	9,924.61 10,420.87 10,941.88 11,488.97 12,063.42	119,095.34 125,050.38 131,302.60 137,867.60 144,760.98	57.2574 60.1204 63.1263 66.2825 69.5966
1102	City Council Member*			474.93	1,029.00	12,348.00	
1501	City Manager*	CONTRACT		11,020.62	23,878.00	286,536.00	137.7578
1112	City Treasurer*			496.16	1,075.01	12,900.16	
9107	Clerical	LS	A B C D E				15.5000 15.7500 16.5400 17.3600 18.2300
3155	Code Compliance Analyst*	TMMBU	A B C D E	3,607.67 3,788.05 3,977.45 4,176.33 4,385.15	7,816.62 8,207.44 8,617.81 9,048.72 9,501.16	93,799.42 98,489.30 103,413.70 108,584.58 114,013.90	45.0959 47.3506 49.7181 52.2041 54.8144
5202	Code Enforcement Officer	TEAMSTERS	A B C D	2,752.99 2,890.63 3,035.17 3,186.92 3,346.27	5,964.81 6,263.03 6,576.20 6,904.99 7,250.25	71,577.74 75,156.38 78,914.42 82,859.92 87,003.02	34.4124 36.1329 37.9396 39.8365 41.8284
3315	Community Preservation Manager*	TMMBU	A B C D	4,019.01 4,219.94 4,430.96 4,652.49 4,885.11	8,707.86 9,143.20 9,600.41 10,080.40 10,584.41	104,494.26 109,718.44 115,204.96 120,964.74 127,012.86	50.2376 52.7493 55.3870 58.1561 61.0639
5513	Community Services Officer	TEAMSTERS	A B C D E	2,403.89 2,524.09 2,650.26 2,782.79 2,921.95	5,208.43 5,468.86 5,742.23 6,029.38 6,330.89	62,501.14 65,626.34 68,906.76 72,352.54 75,970.70	30.0486 31.5511 33.1283 34.7849 36.5244
5222	Construction Inspector I	TEAMSTERS	A B C D E	3,089.33 3,243.82 3,405.99 3,576.29 3,755.13	6,693.55 7,028.28 7,379.65 7,748.63 8,136.12	80,322.58 84,339.32 88,555.74 92,983.54 97,633.38	38.6166 40.5478 42.5749 44.7036 46.9391
5223	Construction Inspector II	TEAMSTERS	A B C D E	3,406.13 3,576.43 3,755.25 3,943.04 4,140.18	7,379.95 7,748.93 8,136.38 8,543.25 8,970.39	88,559.38 92,987.18 97,636.50 102,519.04 107,644.68	42.5766 44.7054 46.9406 49.2880 51.7523

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4605	Crime Analyst	TTSSEA	A B C D	2,920.43 3,066.45 3,219.79 3,380.78 3,549.80	6,327.60 6,643.98 6,976.21 7,325.02 7,691.23	75,931.18 79,727.70 83,714.54 87,900.28 92,294.80	36.5054 38.3306 40.2474 42.2598 44.3725
5514	Crime Prevention Specialist	TEAMSTERS	A B C D E	2,490.06 2,614.59 2,745.32 2,882.56 3,026.69	5,395.13 5,664.95 5,948.19 6,245.55 6,557.83	64,741.56 67,979.34 71,378.32 74,946.56 78,693.94	31.1258 32.6824 34.3165 36.0320 37.8336
3622	Crime Scene Property Unit Supervisor	TMMBU Non-Exempt	A B C D	2,973.23 3,121.88 3,277.95 3,441.85 3,613.94	6,442.00 6,764.07 7,102.23 7,457.34 7,830.20	77,303.98 81,168.88 85,226.70 89,488.10 93,962.44	37.1654 39.0235 40.9744 43.0231 45.1743
5517	Crime Scene Technician	TEAMSTERS	A B C D	2,696.73 2,831.54 2,973.13 3,121.79 3,277.88	5,842.92 6,135.00 6,441.78 6,763.88 7,102.07	70,114.98 73,620.04 77,301.38 81,166.54 85,224.88	33.7091 35.3943 37.1641 39.0224 40.9735
1108	Cultural Arts Commissioner	Stipend	of \$50.00	per meeting			
3162	Cultural Arts Division Manager*	TMMBU	A B C D	4,827.54 5,068.92 5,322.37 5,588.47 5,867.89	10,459.67 10,982.66 11,531.80 12,108.35 12,713.76	125,516.04 131,791.92 138,381.62 145,300.22 152,565.14	60.3443 63.3615 66.5296 69.8559 73.3486
4459	Cultural Arts Program Coordinator	TTSSEA	A B C D E	2,580.47 2,709.51 2,844.97 2,987.22 3,136.58	5,591.02 5,870.61 6,164.10 6,472.31 6,795.92	67,092.22 70,447.26 73,969.22 77,667.72 81,551.08	32.2559 33.8689 35.5621 37.3403 39.2073
3524	Cultural Arts Supervisor*	TMMBU	A B C D E	3,731.54 3,918.12 4,114.03 4,319.72 4,535.71	8,085.00 8,489.26 8,913.73 9,359.39 9,827.37	97,020.04 101,871.12 106,964.78 112,312.72 117,928.46	46.6443 48.9765 51.4254 53.9965 56.6964
4461	Cultural Arts Technical Coordinator	TTSSEA	A B C D E	2,166.98 2,275.31 2,389.09 2,508.53 2,633.95	4,695.12 4,929.84 5,176.36 5,435.15 5,706.89	56,341.48 59,158.06 62,116.34 65,221.78 68,482.70	27.0873 28.4414 29.8636 31.3566 32.9244
3523	Cultural Arts Technical Supervisor*	TMMBU	A B C D E	3,097.74 3,252.64 3,415.26 3,586.03 3,765.34	6,711.77 7,047.39 7,399.73 7,769.73 8,158.24	80,541.24 84,568.64 88,796.76 93,236.78 97,898.84	38.7218 40.6580 42.6908 44.8254 47.0668

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9552	D.A.R.E Officer	LS	A B C D E				36.3700 38.1900 40.1000 42.1000 44.2100
2571	Deputy City Attorney I*	CONF	A B C D E	4,944.78 5,192.02 5,451.63 5,724.21 6,010.41	10,713.69 11,249.38 11,811.87 12,402.46 13,022.56	128,564.28 134,992.52 141,742.38 148,829.46 156,270.66	61.8098 64.9003 68.1454 71.5526 75.1301
2572	Deputy City Attorney II*	CONF	A B C D E	5,439.27 5,711.24 5,996.80 6,296.65 6,611.47	11,785.09 12,374.35 12,993.07 13,642.74 14,324.85	141,421.02 148,492.24 155,916.80 163,712.90 171,898.22	67.9909 71.3905 74.9600 78.7081 82.6434
4116	Deputy City Clerk	TTSSEA	A B C D E	2,875.19 3,018.96 3,169.90 3,328.41 3,494.82	6,229.58 6,541.08 6,868.12 7,211.56 7,572.11	74,754.94 78,492.96 82,417.40 86,538.66 90,865.32	35.9399 37.7370 39.6238 41.6051 43.6853
1515	Director of Development Services *	DH	Min Max	7,359.88 8,944.42	15,946.41 19,379.57	191,356.86 232,554.86	91.9985 111.8053
1522	Director of Finance*	DH	Min Max	6,866.78 8,339.89	14,878.03 18,069.77	178,536.32 216,837.24	85.8348 104.2486
1518	Director of Human Resources*	DH	Min Max	6,866.78 8,339.89	14,878.03 18,069.77	178,536.32 216,837.19	85.8348 104.2486
1527	Director of Housing and Mobility *	DH	Min Max	6,866.78 8,339.89	14,878.03 18,069.77	178,536.32 216,837.19	85.8348 104.2486
1524	Director of Operations and Utilities*	DH	Min Max	7,359.88 8,944.42	15,946.41 19,379.57	191,356.86 232,554.86	91.9985 111.8053
1516	Director of Parks and Recreation*	DH	Min Max	6,866.78 8,339.89	14,878.03 18,069.77	178,536.32 216,837.19	85.8348 104.2486
3208	Economic Development Mgmt Analyst I*	TMMBU	A B C D E	3,137.18 3,294.03 3,458.74 3,631.67 3,813.26	6,797.22 7,137.07 7,493.94 7,868.62 8,262.06	81,566.68 85,644.78 89,927.24 94,423.42 99,144.76	39.2148 41.1754 43.2343 45.3959 47.6658

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3209	Economic Development Mgmt Analyst II*	TMMBU	Α	3,607.67	7,816.62	93,799.42	45.0959
	, ,		В	3,788.05	8,207.44	98,489.30	47.3506
			С	3,977.45	8,617.81	103,413.70	49.7181
			D	4,176.33	9,048.72	108,584.58	52.2041
			E	4,385.15	9,501.16	114,013.90	54.8144
3207	Economic Development Manager*	TMMBU	A	4,905.31	10,628.17	127,538.06	61.3164
			B C	5,150.57	11,159.57	133,914.82	64.3821
			D	5,408.11 5,678.51	11,717.57 12,303.44	140,610.86 147,641.26	67.6014 70.9814
			E	5,962.43	12,918.60	155,023.18	74.5304
5325	Electrician	TEAMSTERS	Α	3,416.90	7,403.28	88,839.40	42.7113
			В	3,587.76	7,773.48	93,281.76	44.8470
			С	3,767.16	8,162.18	97,946.16	47.0895
			D	3,955.50	8,570.25	102,843.00	49.4438
			Е	4,153.28	8,998.77	107,985.28	51.9160
5221	Engineering Technician I	TEAMSTERS	Α	2,719.53	5,892.32	70,707.78	33.9941
	5 5		В	2,855.50	6,186.92	74,243.00	35.6938
			С	2,998.27	6,496.25	77,955.02	37.4784
			D	3,148.18	6,821.06	81,852.68	39.3523
			Е	3,305.61	7,162.16	85,945.86	41.3201
5225	Engineering Technician II	TEAMSTERS	Α	2,998.29	6,496.30	77,955.54	37.4786
			В	3,148.20	6,821.10	81,853.20	39.3525
			С	3,305.62	7,162.18	85,946.12	41.3203
			D	3,470.92	7,520.33	90,243.92	43.3865
			E	3,644.42	7,896.24	94,754.92	45.5553
3412	Environmental Compliance Analyst	TMMBU	A	3,137.18	6,797.22	81,566.68	39.2148
		Non-Exempt	В	3,294.03	7,137.07	85,644.78	41.1754
			С	3,458.74	7,493.94	89,927.24	43.2343
			D	3,631.67	7,868.62	94,423.42	45.3959
			E	3,813.26	8,262.06	99,144.76	47.6658
5424	Environmental Compliance Technician	TEAMSTERS	Α	2,471.96	5,355.92	64,270.98	30.8995
			В	2,595.56	5,623.71	67,484.53	32.4445
			С	2,725.34	5,904.90	70,858.76	34.0667
			D	2,861.60	6,200.14	74,401.70	35.7700
			E	3,004.68	6,510.15	78,121.78	37.5585
5313	Equipment Mechanic I	TEAMSTERS	Α	2,499.33	5,415.22	64,982.58	31.2416
			В	2,624.29	5,685.96	68,231.54	32.8036
			С	2,755.50	5,970.25	71,643.00	34.4438
			D	2,893.27	6,268.75	75,225.02	36.1659
			Е	3,037.93	6,582.18	78,986.18	37.9741
5314	Equipment Mechanic II	TEAMSTERS	Α	2,755.49	5,970.23	71,642.74	34.4436
			В	2,893.28	6,268.77	75,225.28	36.1660
			С	3,037.92	6,582.16	78,985.92	37.9740
			D	3,189.83	6,911.30	82,935.58	39.8729
			Е	3,349.31	7,256.84	87,082.06	41.8664

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4108	Executive Assistant	TTSSEA	A B C D E	2,636.03 2,767.83 2,906.22 3,051.54 3,204.11	5,711.40 5,996.97 6,296.81 6,611.67 6,942.24	68,536.78 71,963.58 75,561.72 79,340.04 83,306.86	32.9504 34.5979 36.3278 38.1443 40.0514
8108	Executive Assistant - Confidential	CONF	A B C D E	2,701.40 2,836.48 2,978.30 3,127.20 3,283.57	5,853.03 6,145.71 6,452.98 6,775.60 7,114.40	70,236.40 73,748.48 77,435.80 81,307.20 85,372.82	33.7675 35.4560 37.2288 39.0900 41.0446
2581	Executive Assistant to City Manager	CONF	A B C D E	3,094.44 3,249.15 3,411.60 3,582.19 3,761.29	6,704.62 7,039.83 7,391.80 7,761.41 8,149.46	80,455.44 84,477.90 88,701.60 93,136.94 97,793.54	38.6805 40.6144 42.6450 44.7774 47.0161
9635	Facility Attendant	LS	A B C D E				19.8000 20.7900 21.8300 22.9200 24.0700
3107	Financial Analyst I*	TMMBU	A B C D	3,137.18 3,294.03 3,458.74 3,631.67 3,813.26	6,797.22 7,137.07 7,493.94 7,868.62 8,262.06	81,566.68 85,644.78 89,927.24 94,423.42 99,144.76	39.2148 41.1754 43.2343 45.3959 47.6658
3108	Financial Analyst II*	TMMBU	A B C D E	3,607.67 3,788.05 3,977.45 4,176.33 4,385.15	7,816.62 8,207.44 8,617.81 9,048.72 9,501.16	93,799.42 98,489.30 103,413.70 108,584.58 114,013.90	45.0959 47.3506 49.7181 52.2041 54.8144
3404	Fleet Supervisor*	TMMBU	A B C D E	3,473.74 3,647.41 3,829.78 4,021.26 4,222.32	7,526.44 7,902.72 8,297.86 8,712.73 9,148.36	90,317.24 94,832.66 99,574.28 104,552.76 109,780.32	43.4218 45.5926 47.8723 50.2658 52.7790
3120	GIS Analyst *	TMMBU	A B C D E	3,607.67 3,788.05 3,977.45 4,176.33 4,385.15	7,816.62 8,207.44 8,617.81 9,048.72 9,501.16	93,799.42 98,489.30 103,413.70 108,584.58 114,013.90	45.0959 47.3506 49.7181 52.2041 54.8144
4206	GIS Technician	TTSSEA	A B C D	2,920.43 3,066.45 3,219.79 3,380.78 3,549.80	6,327.60 6,643.98 6,976.21 7,325.02 7,691.23	75,931.18 79,727.70 83,714.54 87,900.28 92,294.80	36.5054 38.3306 40.2474 42.2598 44.3725
3215	Homeless Services Manager*	TMMBU	A B C D E	4,459.37 4,682.34 4,916.46 5,162.28 5,420.39	9,661.97 10,145.07 10,652.33 11,184.94 11,744.18	115,943.62 121,740.84 127,827.96 134,219.28 140,930.14	55.7421 58.5293 61.4558 64.5285 67.7549

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2511	Human Resources Analyst I*	CONF	A B C D	3,214.99 3,375.74 3,544.51 3,721.74	6,965.81 7,314.10 7,679.77 8,063.77	83,589.74 87,769.24 92,157.26 96,765.24	40.1874 42.1968 44.3064 46.5218
2512	Human Daggurage Anglyat II*	CONE	E	3,907.83	8,466.97	101,603.58	48.8479
2512	Human Resources Analyst II*	CONF	A B C D E	3,697.13 3,881.99 4,076.08 4,279.90 4,493.90	8,010.45 8,410.98 8,831.51 9,273.12 9,736.78	96,125.38 100,931.74 105,978.08 111,277.40 116,841.40	46.2141 48.5249 50.9510 53.4988 56.1738
2562	Human Resources Manager*	CONF	A B C D E	4,947.25 5,194.61 5,454.35 5,727.07 6,013.44	10,719.04 11,254.99 11,817.76 12,408.65 13,029.12	128,628.50 135,059.86 141,813.10 148,903.82 156,349.44	61.8406 64.9326 68.1794 71.5884 75.1680
4301	Human Resources Technician	CONF	A B C D E	2,743.19 2,880.35 3,024.37 3,175.59 3,334.37	5,943.58 6,240.76 6,552.80 6,880.45 7,224.47	71,322.94 74,889.10 78,633.62 82,565.34 86,693.62	34.2899 36.0044 37.8046 39.6949 41.6796
4204	Information Systems Technician I	TTSSEA	A B C D E	2,539.52 2,666.49 2,799.83 2,939.82 3,086.81	5,502.29 5,777.40 6,066.30 6,369.61 6,688.09	66,027.52 69,328.74 72,795.58 76,435.32 80,257.06	31.7440 33.3311 34.9979 36.7478 38.5851
4205	Information Systems Technician II	TTSSEA	A B C D	2,920.43 3,066.45 3,219.79 3,380.78 3,549.80	6,327.60 6,643.98 6,976.21 7,325.02 7,691.23	75,931.18 79,727.70 83,714.54 87,900.28 92,294.80	36.5054 38.3306 40.2474 42.2598 44.3725
2553	Information Technology Manager*	CONF	A B C D E	4,947.25 5,194.61 5,454.35 5,727.07 6,013.44	10,719.04 11,254.99 11,817.76 12,408.65 13,029.12	128,628.50 135,059.86 141,813.10 148,903.82 156,349.44	61.8406 64.9326 68.1794 71.5884 75.1680
3111	Information Technology Specialist*	TMMBU	A B C D E	3,504.53 3,679.78 3,863.76 4,056.93 4,259.78	7,593.15 7,972.86 8,371.48 8,790.02 9,229.52	91,117.78 95,674.28 100,457.76 105,480.18 110,754.28	43.8066 45.9973 48.2970 50.7116 53.2473
5413	Instrumentation Technician	TEAMSTERS	A B C D E	3,172.41 3,331.03 3,497.59 3,672.45 3,856.08	6,873.56 7,217.23 7,578.11 7,956.98 8,354.84	82,482.66 86,606.78 90,937.34 95,483.70 100,258.08	39.6551 41.6379 43.7199 45.9056 48.2010
9108	Intern-Generalist	LS	A B C D E				20.5500 21.5800 22.6600 23.7900 24.9800

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5224	Junior Engineer	TEAMSTERS	A B C D E	3,305.49 3,470.77 3,644.29 3,826.51 4,017.85	7,161.90 7,520.00 7,895.96 8,290.77 8,705.34	85,942.74 90,240.02 94,751.54 99,489.26 104,464.10	41.3186 43.3846 45.5536 47.8314 50.2231
5423	Laboratory Quality Assurance Officer*	TMMBU	A B C D	2,998.53 3,148.48 3,305.89 3,471.18 3,644.75	6,496.82 6,821.71 7,162.76 7,520.89 7,896.96	77,961.78 81,860.48 85,953.14 90,250.68 94,763.50	37.4816 39.3560 41.3236 43.3898 45.5594
5421	Laboratory Technician I	TEAMSTERS	A B C D	2,467.86 2,591.23 2,720.82 2,856.85 2,999.68	5,347.03 5,614.33 5,895.11 6,189.84 6,499.31	64,164.36 67,371.98 70,741.32 74,278.10 77,991.68	30.8483 32.3904 34.0103 35.7106 37.4960
5422	Laboratory Technician II	TEAMSTERS	A B C D E	2,720.76 2,856.80 2,999.64 3,149.61 3,307.09	5,894.98 6,189.73 6,499.22 6,824.16 7,165.36	70,739.76 74,276.80 77,990.64 81,889.86 85,984.34	34.0095 35.7100 37.4955 39.3701 41.3386
3508	Landscape Architect*	TMMBU	A B C D E	3,968.44 4,166.85 4,375.19 4,593.95 4,823.67	8,598.29 9,028.18 9,479.58 9,953.56 10,451.29	103,179.44 108,338.10 113,754.94 119,442.70 125,415.42	49.6055 52.0856 54.6899 57.4244 60.2959
4109	Legal Secretary	CONF	A B C D E	2,946.50 3,093.82 3,248.52 3,410.95 3,581.50	6,384.08 6,703.28 7,038.46 7,390.39 7,759.92	76,609.00 80,439.32 84,461.52 88,684.70 93,119.00	36.8313 38.6728 40.6065 42.6369 44.7688
9636	Lifeguard	LS	A B C D E				15.5000 15.7500 16.5400 17.3600 18.2300
9303	Maintenance Aide	LS	A B C D E				17.4500 18.3200 19.2300 20.1900 21.2000
5301	Maintenance Worker I	TEAMSTERS	A B C D E	1,839.58 1,931.57 2,028.14 2,129.55 2,236.03	3,985.76 4,185.07 4,394.30 4,614.03 4,844.73	47,829.08 50,220.82 52,731.64 55,368.30 58,136.78	22.9948 24.1446 25.3518 26.6194 27.9504

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				Salary	Salary	Salary	Rate
5303	Maintenance Worker II	TEAMSTERS	A	2,336.62	5,062.68	60,752.12	29.2078
			В	2,453.45	5,315.81	63,789.70	30.6681
			С	2,576.11	5,581.57	66,978.86	32.2014
			D E	2,704.91 2,840.15	5,860.64 6,153.66	70,327.66 73,843.90	33.8114 35.5019
3151	Management Applyet I*	TMMDII	٨	2 427 40	6,797.22	04 566 60	
3131	Management Analyst I*	TMMBU	A B	3,137.18	7,137.07	81,566.68	39.2148
			С	3,294.03	7,137.07	85,644.78 89,927.24	41.1754 43.2343
			D	3,458.74 3,631.67	7,868.62	94,423.42	45.2343
			E	3,813.26	8,262.06	99,144.76	47.6658
3152	Management Analyst II*	TMMBU	Α	3,607.67	7,816.62	93,799.42	45.0959
3132	Management Analyst II	TIVIIVIDO	В	3,788.05	8,207.44	98,489.30	47.3506
			C	3,977.45	8,617.81	103,413.70	49.7181
			D	4,176.33	9,048.72	103,413.70	52.2041
			E		9,501.16	114,013.90	54.8144
			<u> </u>	4,385.15	9,501.10	114,013.90	34.0144
4463	Marketing Coordinator	TTSSEA	Α	2,580.47	5,591.02	67,092.22	32.2559
			В	2,709.51	5,870.61	70,447.26	33.8689
			С	2,844.97	6,164.10	73,969.22	35.5621
			D	2,987.22	6,472.31	77,667.72	37.3403
			E	3,136.58	6,795.92	81,551.08	39.2073
1101	Mayor*			521.08	1,129.00	13,548.00	
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3527	Media Services Supervisor	TMMBU	A	3,097.74	6,711.77	80,541.24	38.7218
		Non-Exempt	В	3,252.64	7,047.39	84,568.64	40.6580
			С	3,415.26	7,399.73	88,796.76	42.6908
			D E	3,586.03	7,769.73	93,236.78	44.8254
			_	3,765.34	8,158.24	97,898.84	47.0668
5531	Meter Reader	TEAMSTERS	Α	1,593.97	3,453.60	41,443.22	19.9246
			В	1,673.66	3,626.26	43,515.16	20.9208
			С	1,757.34	3,807.57	45,690.84	21.9668
			D	1,845.20	3,997.93	47,975.20	23.0650
			E	1,937.47	4,197.85	50,374.22	24.2184
4212	Multimedia Communications Assistant	TTSSEA	Α	2,166.98	4,695.12	56,341.48	27.0873
			В	2,275.31	4,929.84	59,158.06	28.4414
			С	2,389.09	5,176.36	62,116.34	29.8636
			D	2,508.53	5,435.15	65,221.78	31.3566
			E	2,633.95	5,706.89	68,482.70	32.9244
4210	Multimedia Communications Coordinator	TTSSEA	Α	2,580.47	5,591.02	67,092.22	32.2559
			В	2,709.51	5,870.61	70,447.26	33.8689
			С	2,844.97	6,164.10	73,969.22	35.5621
			D	2,987.22	6,472.31	77,667.72	37.3403
			E	3,136.58	6,795.92	81,551.08	39.2073
4105	Office Assistant	TTSSEA	Α	1,774.36	3,844.45	46,133.36	22.1795
			В	1,863.06	4,036.63	48,439.56	23.2883
			C	1,956.23	4,238.50	50,861.98	24.4529
			D	2,054.05	4,450.44	53,405.30	25.6756
			Е	2,156.75	4,672.96	56,075.50	26.9594
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Code 1107	Parks Commissioner		•	Salary D per meeting	Salary	Salary	Rate
1107	Parks Commissioner	Superio	01 \$50.00	J per meeting			
3509	Parks Planning & Development	TMMBU	Α	4,365.28	9,458.11	113,497.28	54.5660
	Manager*		В	4,583.54	9,931.00	119,172.04	57.2943
	•		С	4,812.71	10,427.54	125,130.46	60.1589
			D	5,053.35	10,948.93	131,387.10	63.1669
			Ē	5,306.04	11,496.42	137,957.04	66.3255
			_	3,300.04	11,430.42	137,937.04	00.3233
3507	Parks Project Coordinator*	TMMBU	Α	3,450.31	7,475.67	89,708.06	43.1289
			В	3,622.83	7,849.47	94,193.58	45.2854
			С	3,803.98	8,241.96	98,903.48	47.5498
			D	3,994.18	8,654.06	103,848.68	49.9273
			Е	4,193.88	9,086.74	109,040.88	52.4235
			_	1,100.00	0,000.7	100,010.00	02.1200
3306	Plan Check Engineer*	TMMBU	Α	4,831.29	10,467.80	125,613.54	60.3911
			В	5,072.85	10,991.18	131,894.10	63.4106
			С	5,326.50	11,540.75	138,489.00	66.5813
			D	5,592.83	12,117.80	145,413.58	69.9104
			Ε	5,872.47	12,723.69	152,684.22	73.4059
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5214	Plan Examiner I	TEAMSTERS	Α	3,322.07	7,197.82	86,373.82	41.5259
			В	3,488.21	7,557.79	90,693.46	43.6026
			С	3,662.61	7,935.66	95,227.86	45.7826
			D	3,845.72	8,332.39	99,988.72	48.0715
			Е	4,038.03	8,749.07	104,988.78	50.4754
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5215	Plan Examiner II	TEAMSTERS	Α	3,662.67	7,935.79	95,229.42	45.7834
			В	3,845.84	8,332.65	99,991.84	48.0730
			С	4,038.11	8,749.24	104,990.86	50.4764
			D	4,240.01	9,186.69	110,240.26	53.0001
			Ē	4,452.04	9,646.09	115,753.04	55.6505
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1106	Planning Commissioner	Stipend	of \$50.00	0 per meeting			
4506	Planning Technician	TTOOLV	٨	0.676.70	E 700 74	60 506 54	22.4500
4300	Fianting recrimican	TTSSEA	A	2,676.79	5,799.71	69,596.54	33.4599
			В	2,810.65	6,089.74	73,076.90	35.1331
			С	2,951.17	6,394.20	76,730.42	36.8896
			D	3,098.74	6,713.94	80,567.24	38.7343
			E	3,253.69	7,049.66	84,595.94	40.6711
6212	Police Captain*	TPMA	Α	6,080.69	13,174.83	158,097.94	76.0086
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			С	6,703.95	14,525.23	174,302.70	83.7994
			D	7,039.15	15,251.49	183,017.90	87.9894
			E	7,391.15	16,014.16	192,169.90	92.3894
1513	Police Chief*	DH	Min	7,818.77	16,940.67	203,288.08	97.7346
	-		Max	9,503.80	20,591.57	247,098.82	118.7975
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4603	Police Community Relations Coordinator	TTSSEA	Α	2,580.47	5,591.02	67,092.22	32.2559
			В	2,709.51	5,870.61	70,447.26	33.8689
			С	2,844.97	6,164.10	73,969.22	35.5621
			D	2,987.22	6,472.31	77,667.72	37.3403
			Е	3,136.58	6,795.92	81,551.08	39.2073
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6103	Police Corporal	TPOA	A B C D E	3,864.76 4,058.01 4,260.91 4,473.97 4,697.67	8,373.65 8,792.36 9,231.97 9,693.60 10,178.29	100,483.76 105,508.26 110,783.66 116,323.22 122,139.42	48.3095 50.7251 53.2614 55.9246 58.7209
4604	Police Homeless Outreach Coordinator	TTSSEA	A B C D E	2,580.47 2,709.51 2,844.97 2,987.22 3,136.58	5,591.02 5,870.61 6,164.10 6,472.31 6,795.92	67,092.22 70,447.26 73,969.22 77,667.72 81,551.08	32.2559 33.8689 35.5621 37.3403 39.2073
9501	Police Intern/Parking Enforcement Officer	LS	A B C D E				19.5000 20.4800 21.5000 22.5700 23.7000
6211	Police Lieutenant*	ТРМА	A B C D E	5,262.69 5,525.82 5,802.12 6,092.22 6,396.83	11,402.50 11,972.61 12,571.26 13,199.81 13,859.80	136,829.94 143,671.32 150,855.12 158,397.72 166,317.58	65.7836 69.0728 72.5265 76.1528 79.9604
6102	Police Officer	TPOA	A B C D E	3,513.42 3,689.09 3,873.55 4,067.25 4,270.61	7,612.41 7,993.03 8,392.69 8,812.38 9,252.99	91,348.92 95,916.34 100,712.30 105,748.50 111,035.86	43.9178 46.1136 48.4194 50.8406 53.3826
9517	Police Range Master	LS	A B C D E				31.1700 32.7300 34.3600 36.0800 37.8800
4103	Police Records Assistant I	TTSSEA	A B C D E	2,199.60 2,309.59 2,425.08 2,546.31 2,673.63	4,765.80 5,004.11 5,254.34 5,517.01 5,792.87	57,189.60 60,049.34 63,052.08 66,204.06 69,514.38	27.4950 28.8699 30.3135 31.8289 33.4204
4104	Police Records Assistant II	TTSSEA	A B C D E	2,425.04 2,546.31 2,673.59 2,807.28 2,947.65	5,254.25 5,517.01 5,792.78 6,082.44 6,386.58	63,051.04 66,204.06 69,513.34 72,989.28 76,638.90	30.3130 31.8289 33.4199 35.0910 36.8456
3626	Police Records Supervisor*	TMMBU	A B C D E	3,152.78 3,310.43 3,475.94 3,649.75 3,832.22	6,831.02 7,172.60 7,531.20 7,907.79 8,303.14	81,972.28 86,071.18 90,374.44 94,893.50 99,637.72	39.4098 41.3804 43.4493 45.6219 47.9028
9551	Police Reserve	LS	Α				40.5500

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6105	Police Sergeant	TPOA	A B C D E	4,252.93 4,465.60 4,688.89 4,923.33 5,169.49	9,214.68 9,675.47 10,159.26 10,667.22 11,200.56	110,576.18 116,105.60 121,911.14 128,006.58 134,406.74	53.1616 55.8200 58.6111 61.5416 64.6186
2712	Police Support Operations Manager*	CONF	A B C D E	5,599.57 5,879.56 6,173.52 6,482.19 6,806.31	12,132.40 12,739.05 13,375.96 14,044.75 14,747.01	145,588.82 152,868.56 160,511.52 168,536.94 176,964.06	69.9946 73.4945 77.1690 81.0274 85.0789
4701	Police Support Services Technician	TTSSEA	A B C D E	2,676.79 2,810.65 2,951.17 3,098.74 3,253.69	5,799.71 6,089.74 6,394.20 6,713.94 7,049.66	69,596.54 73,076.90 76,730.42 80,567.24 84,595.94	33.4599 35.1331 36.8896 38.7343 40.6711
6101	Police Trainee (Non-Sworn)	TPOA	Α	3,055.05	6,619.28	79,431.30	38.1881
9638	Pool Manager	LS	A B C D E				21.3100 22.3800 23.4900 24.6700 25.9000
9533	Professional Standards Officer	LS	A B C D E				51.9500 54.5500 57.2800 60.1400 63.1500
9110	Program Assistant	LS	Min Max				15.5000 25.8200
9231	Project Specialist I	LS	Min Max				15.5000 50.0100
9232	Project Specialist II	LS	Min Max				50.0200 140.9900
5518	Property and Evidence Technician	TEAMSTERS	A B C D E	2,372.18 2,490.78 2,615.33 2,746.10 2,883.39	5,139.72 5,396.69 5,666.55 5,949.88 6,247.35	61,676.68 64,760.28 67,998.58 71,398.60 74,968.14	29.6523 31.1348 32.6916 34.3263 36.0424
2585	Public Information Officer*	CONF	A B C D E	3,697.13 3,881.99 4,076.08 4,279.90 4,493.90	8,010.45 8,410.98 8,831.51 9,273.12 9,736.78	96,125.38 100,931.74 105,978.08 111,277.40 116,841.40	46.2141 48.5249 50.9510 53.4988 56.1738

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3623	Public Safety Dispatch Supervisor*	TMMBU	A B C D E	3,658.65 3,841.57 4,033.67 4,235.34 4,447.12	7,927.08 8,323.40 8,739.62 9,176.57 9,635.43	95,124.90 99,880.82 104,875.42 110,118.84 115,625.12	45.7331 48.0196 50.4209 52.9418 55.5890
5502	Public Safety Dispatcher I	TEAMSTERS	A B C D E	2,740.56 2,877.57 3,021.45 3,172.52 3,331.17	5,937.88 6,234.74 6,546.48 6,873.79 7,217.54	71,254.56 74,816.82 78,557.70 82,485.52 86,610.42	34.2570 35.9696 37.7681 39.6565 41.6396
5503	Public Safety Dispatcher II	TEAMSTERS	A B C D	3,015.33 3,166.09 3,324.40 3,490.61 3,665.15	6,533.22 6,859.86 7,202.87 7,562.99 7,941.16	78,398.58 82,318.34 86,434.40 90,755.86 95,293.90	37.6916 39.5761 41.5550 43.6326 45.8144
9512	Public Safety Dispatcher II - Per Diem	LS	A B C D E				33.1100 34.7700 36.5100 38.3300 40.2500
3401	Public Works Superintendent*	TMMBU	A B C D E	4,169.06 4,377.52 4,596.40 4,826.22 5,067.52	9,032.96 9,484.63 9,958.87 10,456.81 10,979.63	108,395.56 113,815.52 119,506.40 125,481.72 131,755.52	52.1133 54.7190 57.4550 60.3278 63.3440
3405	Public Works Supervisor*	TMMBU	A B C D E	3,473.74 3,647.41 3,829.78 4,021.26 4,222.32	7,526.44 7,902.72 8,297.86 8,712.73 9,148.36	90,317.24 94,832.66 99,574.28 104,552.76 109,780.32	43.4218 45.5926 47.8723 50.2658 52.7790
3214	Real Property Agent*	TMMBU	A B C D E	3,450.31 3,622.83 3,803.98 3,994.18 4,193.88	7,475.67 7,849.47 8,241.96 8,654.06 9,086.74	89,708.06 94,193.58 98,903.48 103,848.68 109,040.88	43.1289 45.2854 47.5498 49.9273 52.4235
9631	Recreation Leader I	LS	A B C D E				15.5000 15.7500 16.5400 17.3600 18.2300
9632	Recreation Leader II	LS	A B C D E				18.7900 19.7300 20.7200 21.7500 22.8400

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9633	Recreation Leader III	LS	A B C D E				21.3100 22.3800 23.4900 24.6900 25.9000
4401	Recreation Program Coordinator	TTSSEA	A B C D E	2,580.47 2,709.51 2,844.97 2,987.22 3,136.58	5,591.02 5,870.61 6,164.10 6,472.31 6,795.92	67,092.22 70,447.26 73,969.22 77,667.72 81,551.08	32.2559 33.8689 35.5621 37.3403 39.2073
3513	Recreation Services Manager*	TMMBU	A B C D E	4,104.66 4,309.91 4,525.40 4,751.68 4,989.26	8,893.43 9,338.14 9,805.03 10,295.31 10,810.06	106,721.16 112,057.66 117,660.40 123,543.68 129,720.76	51.3083 53.8739 56.5675 59.3960 62.3658
3505	Recreation Services Supervisor*	TMMBU	A B C D E	3,731.53 3,918.11 4,114.02 4,319.71 4,535.69	8,084.98 8,489.24 8,913.71 9,359.37 9,827.33	97,019.78 101,870.86 106,964.52 112,312.46 117,927.94	46.6441 48.9764 51.4253 53.9964 56.6961
9626	Recreation Specialized Instructor	LS	Min Max				15.5000 53.2100
4113	Senior Account Clerk	TTSSEA	A B C D E	2,399.11 2,519.06 2,645.02 2,777.28 2,916.13	5,198.07 5,457.96 5,730.88 6,017.44 6,318.28	62,376.86 65,495.56 68,770.52 72,209.28 75,819.38	29.9889 31.4883 33.0628 34.7160 36.4516
3105	Senior Accountant*	TMMBU	A B C D E	3,877.74 4,071.64 4,275.22 4,488.99 4,713.44	8,401.77 8,821.89 9,262.98 9,726.15 10,212.45	100,821.24 105,862.64 111,155.72 116,713.74 122,549.44	48.4718 50.8955 53.4403 56.1124 58.9180
4202	Senior Accounting Technician	TTSSEA	A B C D E	3,110.93 3,266.48 3,429.82 3,601.31 3,781.39	6,740.35 7,077.37 7,431.28 7,802.84 8,193.01	80,884.18 84,928.48 89,175.32 93,634.06 98,316.14	38.8866 40.8310 42.8728 45.0164 47.2674
5323	Senior Building Maintenance Worker	TEAMSTERS	A B C D E	2,749.32 2,886.77 3,031.10 3,182.68 3,341.83	5,956.86 6,254.67 6,567.38 6,895.81 7,240.63	71,482.32 75,056.02 78,808.60 82,749.68 86,887.58	34.3665 36.0846 37.8888 39.7835 41.7729
3304	Senior Civil Engineer*	TMMBU	A B C D E	4,831.42 5,072.99 5,326.65 5,592.98 5,872.63	10,468.08 10,991.48 11,541.08 12,118.12 12,724.03	125,616.92 131,897.74 138,492.90 145,417.48 152,688.38	60.3928 63.4124 66.5831 69.9123 73.4079

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5315	Senior Equipment Mechanic	TEAMSTERS	A B C D E	3,031.06 3,182.60 3,341.73 3,508.81 3,684.25	6,567.30 6,895.63 7,240.42 7,602.42 7,982.54	78,807.56 82,747.60 86,884.98 91,229.06 95,790.50	37.8883 39.7825 41.7716 43.8601 46.0531
4208	Senior Information Systems Technician	TTSSEA	A B C D	3,212.47 3,373.10 3,541.76 3,718.85 3,904.78	6,960.35 7,308.38 7,673.81 8,057.51 8,460.36	83,524.22 87,700.60 92,085.76 96,690.10 101,524.28	40.1559 42.1638 44.2720 46.4856 48.8098
9637	Senior Lifeguard	LS	A B C D E				18.7900 19.7300 20.7200 21.7500 22.8400
5305	Senior Maintenance Worker	TEAMSTERS	A B C D E	2,572.37 2,700.97 2,836.02 2,977.83 3,126.71	5,573.47 5,852.10 6,144.71 6,451.97 6,774.54	66,881.62 70,225.22 73,736.52 77,423.58 81,294.46	32.1546 33.7621 35.4503 37.2229 39.0839
3203	Senior Planner*	TMMBU	A B C D E	4,141.65 4,348.73 4,566.18 4,794.49 5,034.21	8,973.58 9,422.25 9,893.39 10,388.06 10,907.46	107,682.90 113,066.98 118,720.68 124,656.74 130,889.46	51.7706 54.3591 57.0773 59.9311 62.9276
4410	Senior Police Records Assistant	TTSSEA	A B C D E	2,673.64 2,807.35 2,947.68 3,095.07 3,249.82	5,792.89 6,082.59 6,386.64 6,705.99 7,041.28	69,514.64 72,991.10 76,639.68 80,471.82 84,495.32	33.4205 35.0919 36.8460 38.6884 40.6228
5520	Senior Property & Evidence Technician	TEAMSTERS	A B C D E	2609.39 2739.86 2876.86 3020.70 3171.73	5653.68 5936.36 6233.20 6544.85 6872.08	67844.14 71236.36 74798.36 78538.20 82464.98	32.6174 34.2483 35.9608 37.7588 39.6466
5504	Senior Public Safety Dispatcher	TEAMSTERS	A B C D E	3,324.25 3,490.47 3,664.99 3,848.24 4,040.68	7,202.54 7,562.69 7,940.81 8,337.85 8,754.81	86,430.50 90,752.22 95,289.74 100,054.24 105,057.68	41.5531 43.6309 45.8124 48.1030 50.5085
5356	Senior Utilities Worker	TEAMSTERS	A B C D E	2,701.47 2,836.42 2,978.16 3,127.53 3,282.85	5,853.19 6,145.58 6,452.68 6,776.32 7,112.84	70,238.22 73,746.92 77,432.16 81,315.78 85,354.10	33.7684 35.4553 37.2270 39.0941 41.0356

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3343	Supervising Building Inspector*	TMMBU	A B C D E	3,968.44 4,166.85 4,375.19 4,593.95 4,823.67	8,598.29 9,028.18 9,479.58 9,953.56 10,451.29	103,179.44 108,338.10 113,754.94 119,442.70 125,415.42	49.6055 52.0856 54.6899 57.4244 60.2959
3345	Supervising Construction Inspector	TMMBU Non-Exempt	A B C D E	3,865.09 4,058.34 4,261.26 4,474.31 4,698.03	8,374.36 8,793.07 9,232.73 9,694.34 10,179.07	100,492.34 105,516.84 110,792.76 116,332.06 122,148.78	48.3136 50.7293 53.2658 55.9289 58.7254
3117	System Administrator*	TMMBU	A B C D E	3,607.67 3,788.05 3,977.45 4,176.33 4,385.15	7,816.62 8,207.44 8,617.81 9,048.72 9,501.16	93,799.42 98,489.30 103,413.70 108,584.58 114,013.90	45.0959 47.3506 49.7181 52.2041 54.8144
9361	Theatre Technician	LS	A B C D E				29.7100 31.1900 32.7500 34.3900 36.1100
4420	Transit Coordinator	TTSSEA	A B C D E	2,580.47 2,709.51 2,844.97 2,987.22 3,136.58	5,591.02 5,870.61 6,164.10 6,472.31 6,795.92	67,092.22 70,447.26 73,969.22 77,667.72 81,551.08	32.2559 33.8689 35.5621 37.3403 39.2073
3515	Transit Manager*	TMMBU	A B C D E	4,019.01 4,219.94 4,430.96 4,652.49 4,885.11	8,707.86 9,143.20 9,600.41 10,080.40 10,584.41	104,494.26 109,718.44 115,204.96 120,964.74 127,012.86	50.2376 52.7493 55.3870 58.1561 61.0639
1109	Transportation Commissioner	Stipend	of \$50.00	) per meeting			
3424	Utilities Laboratory Superintendent*	TMMBU	A B C D E	4,169.06 4,377.52 4,596.40 4,826.22 5,067.52	9,032.96 9,484.63 9,958.87 10,456.81 10,979.63	108,395.56 113,815.52 119,506.40 125,481.72 131,755.52	52.1133 54.7190 57.4550 60.3278 63.3440
5350	Utilities Worker I	TEAMSTERS	A B C D	1,930.84 2,027.60 2,128.59 2,235.53 2,348.41	4,183.49 4,393.13 4,611.95 4,843.65 5,088.22	50,201.84 52,717.60 55,343.34 58,123.78 61,058.66	24.1355 25.3450 26.6074 27.9441 29.3551
5353	Utilities Worker II	TEAMSTERS	A B C D E	2,452.80 2,575.87 2,704.02 2,839.81 2,981.55	5,314.40 5,581.05 5,858.71 6,152.92 6,460.03	63,772.80 66,972.62 70,304.52 73,835.06 77,520.30	30.6600 32.1984 33.8003 35.4976 37.2694

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3403	Utility Line Maintenance Superintendent*	TMMBU	A B C D E	4,247.72 4,460.09 4,683.10 4,917.25 5,163.11	9,203.39 9,663.53 10,146.72 10,654.04 11,186.74	110,440.72 115,962.34 121,760.60 127,848.50 134,240.86	53.0965 55.7511 58.5388 61.4656 64.5389
3423	Utility Maintenance Superintendent*	TMMBU	A B C D E	4,326.34 4,542.65 4,769.78 5,008.27 5,258.68	9,373.74 9,842.41 10,334.52 10,851.25 11,393.81	112,484.84 118,108.90 124,014.28 130,215.02 136,725.68	54.0793 56.7831 59.6223 62.6034 65.7335
3410	Utility Maintenance Supervisor*	TMMBU	A B C D E	3,605.27 3,785.54 3,974.81 4,173.56 4,382.24	7,811.42 8,202.00 8,612.09 9,042.71 9,494.85	93,737.02 98,424.04 103,345.06 108,512.56 113,938.24	45.0659 47.3193 49.6851 52.1695 54.7780
5411	Utility Mechanic I	TEAMSTERS	A B C D E	2,889.68 3,034.16 3,185.86 3,345.16 3,512.41	6,260.97 6,574.01 6,902.70 7,247.85 7,610.22	75,131.68 78,888.16 82,832.36 86,974.16 91,322.66	36.1210 37.9270 39.8233 41.8145 43.9051
5412	Utility Mechanic II	TEAMSTERS	A B C D E	3,184.04 3,343.25 3,510.41 3,685.93 3,870.23	6,898.75 7,243.71 7,605.89 7,986.18 8,385.50	82,785.04 86,924.50 91,270.66 95,834.18 100,625.98	39.8005 41.7906 43.8801 46.0741 48.3779
5404	Utility Operator	TEAMSTERS	A B C D E	3,895.88 4,090.64 4,295.18 4,509.95 4,735.44	8,441.07 8,863.05 9,306.22 9,771.56 10,260.12	101,292.88 106,356.64 111,674.68 117,258.70 123,121.44	48.6985 51.1330 53.6898 56.3744 59.1930
3422	Wastewater Operations Superintendent*	TMMBU	A B C D E	4,326.34 4,542.65 4,769.78 5,008.27 5,258.68	9,373.74 9,842.41 10,334.52 10,851.25 11,393.81	112,484.84 118,108.90 124,014.28 130,215.02 136,725.68	54.0793 56.7831 59.6223 62.6034 65.7335
5405	Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator I	TEAMSTERS	A B C D E	2,738.70 2,875.62 3,019.40 3,170.38 3,328.91	5,933.85 6,230.51 6,542.03 6,869.16 7,212.64	71,206.20 74,766.12 78,504.40 82,429.88 86,551.66	34.2338 35.9453 37.7425 39.6298 41.6114
5406	Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator II	TEAMSTERS	A B C D E	3,019.50 3,170.44 3,328.97 3,495.44 3,670.22	6,542.25 6,869.29 7,212.77 7,573.45 7,952.14	78,507.00 82,431.44 86,553.22 90,881.44 95,425.72	37.7438 39.6305 41.6121 43.6930 45.8778

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5407	Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator III	TEAMSTERS	A B C D	3,322.87 3,488.97 3,663.43 3,846.63 4,038.95	7,199.55 7,559.44 7,937.43 8,334.37 8,751.06	86,394.62 90,713.22 95,249.18 100,012.38 105,012.70	41.5359 43.6121 45.7929 48.0829 50.4869
3421	Water Operations Superintendent*	TMMBU	A B C D E	4,288.92 4,503.35 4,728.53 4,964.95 5,213.19	9,292.66 9,757.26 10,245.15 10,757.39 11,295.25	111,511.92 117,087.10 122,941.78 129,088.70 135,542.94	53.6115 56.2919 59.1066 62.0619 65.1649
9351	Water Patrol Aide	LS	A B C D E				17.7000 18.5900 19.5100 20.4900 21.5100
3415	Water Resources and Compliance Manage	TMMBU	A B C D E	4,019.01 4,219.94 4,430.96 4,652.49 4,885.11	8,707.86 9,143.20 9,600.41 10,080.40 10,584.41	104,494.26 109,718.44 115,204.96 120,964.74 127,012.86	50.2376 52.7493 55.3870 58.1561 61.0639
5401	Water Treatment Plant Operator I	TEAMSTERS	A B C D E	2,917.87 3,063.77 3,216.96 3,377.80 3,546.68	6,322.05 6,638.17 6,970.08 7,318.57 7,684.47	75,864.62 79,658.02 83,640.96 87,822.80 92,213.68	36.4734 38.2971 40.2120 42.2225 44.3335
5402	Water Treatment Plant Operator II	TEAMSTERS	A B C D	3,217.03 3,377.89 3,546.79 3,724.11 3,910.32	6,970.23 7,318.76 7,684.71 8,068.91 8,472.36	83,642.78 87,825.14 92,216.54 96,826.86 101,668.32	40.2129 42.2236 44.3349 46.5514 48.8790
5403	Water Treatment Plant Operator III	TEAMSTERS	A B C D	3,540.24 3,717.26 3,903.13 4,098.28 4,303.19	7,670.52 8,054.06 8,456.78 8,879.61 9,323.58	92,046.24 96,648.76 101,481.38 106,555.28 111,882.94	44.2530 46.4658 48.7891 51.2285 53.7899



FLSA: Exempt CLASS CODE: 3338

**BARGAINING UNIT: TMMBU** 

## ASSISTANT CITY ENGINEER

#### **DEFINITION**

Under general direction, plans, coodinates, oversees, schedules, supervises, and reviews the work of professional engineering staff within the City's Engineering division; areas of responsibility include Capital Improvement Program (CIP) planning, design, and construction, permitting and land development services, traffic and transportation engineering programs, and construction inspection; ensures that functions meet all applicable laws, regulations, and City policies related to the City's Capital Improvement Program (CIP), land development, traffic and transportation, and infrastructure; acts as project manager for major engineering projects, provides complex, technical and responsible support to the Assistant Director of Development Services/City Engineer on engineering matters; assists the Assistant Director of Development Services/City Engineer with oversight of the City's Engineering Division; and performs related work as required.

#### SUPERVISION RECEIVED AND EXERCISED

Receives administrative direction from assigned supervisory or management staff. Exercises direct and general supervision over assigned staff through subordinate levels of supervision.

# **CLASS CHARACTERISTICS**

This is managerial classification providing specialized engineering and project management support and direction for a variety of projects within the Engineering Division of the Development Services Department. The incumbent is responsible for planning, organizing, supervising, reviewing, and evaluating the work of professional engineering staff as well as providing professional-level support to assigned management staff in the areas Capital Improvement Program (CIP) planning, design, and construction, permitting and land development services, traffic and transportation engineering programs, funding and/or financing of infrastructure and construction inspection. Performance of the work requires the use of considerable independence, initiative, and discretion within established guidelines. This class is distinguished from the Assistant Director of Development Services/City Engineer in that the latter has overall responsibility for all functions of the Engineering division and for developing, implementing, and interpreting public policy.

# **EXAMPLES OF TYPICAL JOB FUNCTIONS (Illustrative Only)**

Management reserves the right to add, modify, change, or rescind the work assignments of different positions and to make reasonable accommodations so that qualified employees can perform the essential functions of the job.

- Assists the Assistant Director of Development Services/City Engineer with major development services functions and activities, including all CIP planning, design, and construction, permitting and land development services, construction inspection, identifying and securing funding for infrastructure projects and real property management.
- Assists with management and participates in the development and implementation of goals, objectives, policies, and priorities for the Engineering Division; recommends, within departmental policy, appropriate service and staffing levels; recommends and administers policies and procedures.
- Assists in managing and participates in the development and administration of the Development Services annual budget and capital improvement budgets; directs the forecast of additional funds

- needed for staffing, equipment, materials, and supplies; directs the monitoring of and approves expenditures; directs and implements adjustments as necessary.
- > Continuously monitors and evaluates the efficiency and effectiveness of service delivery methods and procedures; assesses and monitors work load, administrative and support systems, and internal reporting relationships; identifies opportunities for improvement and reviews with the Assistant Director of Development Services/City Engineer; assists with implementation of improvements.
- > Selects, trains, motivates, and evaluates assigned personnel; provides or coordinates staff training; works with employees on performance issues; responds to staff questions and concerns; makes discipline recommendations.
- ➤ Conducts CIP planning activities; provides oversight and input into the conceptual design of engineering projects; investigates and resolves problems with scope of work or cost issues of major facility upgrade and replacement projects.
- Analyzes civil engineering plan design, specifications, and consultant and staff comments in accordance with design requirements and municipal and intergovernmental standards and regulations; recommends approval or additional engineering conditions and changes; performs final review and approval of plans for public and private development projects.
- > Oversees the development of consultant requests for proposals and qualifications for professional services; evaluates proposals and recommends project award; develops, negotiates, and reviews contract terms and amendments; ensures contractor compliance with City and department standards and specifications and time and budget estimates; reviews design documents to ensure technical integrity; reviews and updates deliverables; analyzes and resolves complex problems that may arise.
- ➤ Reviews and approves plans and specifications for CIP; tract and parcel maps, lot line adjustments, and legal reviews; encroachment permits; and other engineering and design documents; conducts public hearings to approve Tentative Parcel maps.
- Meets and confers with contractors, engineers, developers, architects, a variety of outside agencies, and the general public in acquiring information and coordinating engineering matters; provides information regarding City development requirements.
- > Serves as a liaison for the department to other City departments, divisions, elected officials, outside agencies, and the public; attends meetings in various locations; provides staff support to commissions, committees, and task forces; participates in community events and workshops that provide public information regarding departmental programs, projects, and services; explains and interprets departmental programs, policies, and activities.
- > Participates in the development, administration, and oversight of the Division's operating and CIP budgets.
- ➤ Provides highly complex staff assistance to the Assistant Director of Development Services/City Engineer; conducts a variety of organizational and operational studies, special projects, and investigations; prepares and presents staff reports and other necessary correspondence related to assigned activities and services to various commissions, committees, and boards.
- Attends and participates in professional group meetings; stays abreast of new trends and innovations in engineering; researches emerging products and enhancements and their applicability to City needs; monitors changes in regulations and technology that may affect engineering programs; implements policy and procedural changes after approval.
- > Responds to difficult and sensitive public inquiries and complaints and assists with resolutions and alternative recommendations.
- > Performs other related duties as assigned.

# **QUALIFICATIONS**

# **Knowledge of:**

➤ Principles and practices of employee supervision, including work planning, assignment review and evaluation, discipline, and the training of staff in work procedures.

- > Principles and practices of leadership.
- > Organization and management practices as applied to the development, analysis, and evaluation of programs, policies, and operational needs of the assigned area of responsibility.
- Public agency budgetary, contract administration, administrative practices, and general principles of risk management related to the functions of the assigned area.
- > Principles and practices of civil engineering as applied to the planning, design, cost estimating, construction, installation, and inspection of a wide variety of municipal facilities.
- ➤ Civil engineering principles, concepts, standards, and practices associated with development services programs and private development projects.
- > Principles and practices of environmental impact assessment and related regulatory processes.
- Methods, materials and techniques used in the construction of development services projects.
- ➤ Practices of researching issues, evaluating alternatives, making sound recommendations, and preparing and presenting effective staff reports.
- Municipal development services activities, including engineering, water, wastewater, streets, transportation, facility, parks and public right of ways.
- > General principles of risk management related to the functions of the assigned area.
- Recent and on-going developments, current literature, and sources of information related to assigned programs and services.
- Applicable federal, state, and local laws, rules, regulations, ordinances, and City policies and procedures relevant to assigned area of responsibility.
- > Principles and practices of engineering contract administration and grant proposal writing.
- > Techniques for providing a high level of customer service by effectively dealing with the public, vendors, contractors, and City staff.
- > The structure and content of the English language, including the meaning and spelling of words, rules of composition, and grammar.
- Modern equipment and communication tools used for business functions and program, project, and task coordination.
- > Computers and software programs (e.g., Microsoft software packages) to conduct, compile, and/or generate documentation.

## **Ability to:**

- > Select and supervise staff, provide training and development opportunities, ensure work is performed effectively, and evaluate performance in an objective and positive manner.
- > Provide administrative, management, and professional leadership for the division and the City.
- ➤ Plan, organize, and direct effective CIP and engineering services and programs.
- ➤ Conduct complex civil engineering research projects, evaluate alternatives, make sound recommendations, and prepare effective technical reports.
- Analyze and interpret engineering plans and specifications in accordance with design requirements and applicable standards and regulations.
- > Prepare and administer large and complex budgets; allocate limited resources in a cost-effective manner.
- Research, analyze, and evaluate new service delivery methods, procedures, and techniques.
- Effectively administer special projects with contractual agreements and ensure compliance with stipulations; effectively administer a variety of engineering programs and administrative activities.
- Conduct effective negotiations and effectively represent the City and the department in meetings with governmental agencies, contractors, vendors, and various businesses, professional, regulatory, and legislative organizations.
- Prepare clear and concise reports, correspondence, policies, procedures, and other written materials.
- Understand, interpret, explain, and apply all pertinent laws, codes, regulations, policies and procedures, and standards relevant to work performed.
- > Conduct complex research projects, evaluate alternatives, make sound recommendations, and prepare

- effective technical staff reports.
- Effectively represent the department and the City in meetings with governmental agencies; community groups; various business, professional, and regulatory organizations; and in meetings with individuals.
- ➤ Learn and understand the organization and operation of the City and of outside agencies as necessary to assume assigned responsibilities.
- ➤ Effectively use computer systems, software applications, and modern business equipment to perform a variety of work tasks.
- > Communicate clearly and concisely, both orally and in writing, using appropriate English grammar and syntax.
- > Use tact, initiative, prudence, and independent judgment within general policy, procedural, and legal guidelines.
- Establish, maintain, and foster positive and effective working relationships with those contacted in the course of work.

## **Education and Experience:**

Any combination of training and experience that would provide the required knowledge, skills, and abilities is qualifying. A typical way to obtain the required qualifications would be:

Equivalent to a bachelor's degree in civil engineering and four (4) years of administrative, supervisory, or management experience in the public sector performing professional civil engineering work.

## **Licenses and Certifications:**

- Possession and maintenance of a Registered Professional Civil Engineer or Registered Traffic Engineer license in the State of California.
- > Possession of, or the ability to obtain, a valid Class C California driver's license upon appointment.
- May be required to complete National Incident Management System (NIMS) Training.

#### PHYSICAL DEMANDS

Must possess mobility to work in a standard office setting and use standard office equipment, including a computer, to inspect City sites, including traversing uneven terrain, climbing ladders, stairs, and other access points, to operate a motor vehicle, and to visit various City and meeting sites; vision to read printed materials and a computer screen; and hearing and speech to communicate in person, before groups, and over the telephone. This is primarily a sedentary office classification although standing and walking between work areas and to conduct inspections may be required. Finger dexterity is needed to access, enter, and retrieve data using a computer keyboard or calculator and to operate standard office equipment. Positions in this classification occasionally bend, stoop, kneel, reach, push, and pull drawers open and closed to retrieve and file information. Employees must possess the ability to lift, carry, push, and pull materials and objects weighing up to 20 pounds or more with appropriate equipment or staff assistance.

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS**

Employees predominately work in an office environment with moderate noise levels, controlled temperature conditions, and no direct exposure to hazardous physical substances. Employees may work in the field and occasionally be exposed to loud noise levels, cold and hot temperatures, inclement weather conditions, road hazards, vibration, mechanical and/or electrical hazards, and hazardous chemical substances and fumes. Employees may interact with members of the public or with staff under emotionally stressful conditions while interpreting and enforcing departmental policies and procedures.

# **DISASTER SERVICE WORKER**

All City of Tracy employees are, by State and Federal law, Disaster Service Workers. The roles and responsibilities for Disaster Service Workers are authorized by the California Emergency Services Act and are defined in the California Labor Code. In the event of a declaration of emergency, any employee of the City may be assigned to perform activities which promote the protection of public health and safety or the preservation of lives and property. Such assignments may require service at locations, times, and under conditions that are significantly different than the normal work assignments and may continue into the recovery phase of the emergency. If a "Local Emergency" is declared during the employee's shift, employees will be expected to remain at work to respond to the emergency needs of the community. If a "Local Emergency" is declared outside of the employee's shift, employees must make every effort to contact their direct supervisor or department head to obtain reporting instructions as Disaster Service Workers.



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FLSA: Exempt CLASS CODE: 1527

BARGAINING UNIT: DEPT. HEAD

# DIRECTOR OF MOBILITY AND -HOUSING AND MOBILITY

## **DEFINITION**

Under administrative direction, plans, organizes, manages, and provides administrative direction and oversight for all functions and activities of the Housing and Mobility Mobility and Housing Department including economic development, transportation, and homeless and housing services; directs and administers operations and activities related to housing and mobility for the City, which includes setting and attaining unified objectives for multiple divisions; coordinates assigned activities with other City departments, officials, outside agencies, and the public; fosters cooperative working relationships among City departments and with intergovernmental and regulatory agencies and various public and private groups; provides highly responsible and complex professional assistance to the Assistant City Manager in areas of expertise; and performs related work as required.

# SUPERVISION RECEIVED AND EXERCISED

Receives administrative direction from assigned supervisory or management staff. Exercises general direction and supervision over supervisory, professional, technical, and administrative support staff through subordinate levels of supervision.

#### **CLASS CHARACTERISTICS**

This is a Department Director classification that oversees, directs, and participates in all activities of the Housing and Mobility Mobility and Housing Department, including short- and long-term planning, development and administration of departmental policies, procedures, and services. This class provides assistance to the Assistant City Manager in a variety of administrative, coordinative, analytical, and liaison capacities. Successful performance of the work requires knowledge of public policy, municipal functions and activities, including the role of an elected City Council, and the ability to develop, oversee, and implement projects and programs in a variety of areas. Responsibilities include coordinating the activities of the department with those of other departments and outside agencies and managing and overseeing the complex and varied functions of the department. The incumbent is accountable for accomplishing departmental planning and operational goals and objectives and for furthering City goals and objectives within general policy guidelines.

## **EXAMPLES OF TYPICAL JOB FUNCTIONS (Illustrative Only)**

Management reserves the right to add, modify, change, or rescind the work assignments of different positions and to make reasonable accommodations so that qualified employees can perform the essential functions of the job.

- Assumes full management responsibility for all Housing and Mobility Mobility and Housing Department programs, services, and activities.
- ➤ Develops, directs, and coordinates the implementation of goals, objectives, policies, procedures, and work standards for the department; establishes, within City policy, appropriate budget, service, and staffing levels.
- Manages and participates in the development and administration of the department's annual budget; directs the forecast of additional funds needed for staffing, equipment, materials, and supplies; directs the monitoring of and approves expenditures; directs and implements adjustments as necessary.

- > Selects, trains, motivates, and directs department personnel; evaluates and reviews work for acceptability and conformance with department standards, including program and project priorities and performance evaluations; works with employees on performance issues; implements discipline and termination procedures; responds to staff questions and concerns.
- Contributes to the overall quality of the department's service by developing, reviewing, and implementing policies and procedures to meet legal requirements and City needs; continuously monitors and evaluates the efficiency and effectiveness of service delivery methods and procedures; assesses and monitors the distribution of work, support systems, and internal reporting relationships; identifies opportunities for improvement; directs the implementation of change.
- ➤ Meets with internal departments and external agencies to discuss merits and concerns of proposals; provides various parties with guidance on how to proceed; oversees negotiations and agreements regarding related issues.
- > Directs, coordinates and reviews amendments to the work plan for each assigned division; provides analysis, recommendations, and implementation of policies and procedures; develops and presents recommendations on a variety of programs and provides project management for multi-program initiatives
- > Oversees the development of consultant requests for proposals for professional services and the advertising and bid processes; evaluates proposals and recommends project award; coordinates with legal counsel to determine City needs and requirements for contractual services; negotiates contracts and agreements and administers same after award.
- Represents the department to other City departments, elected officials, and outside agencies; explains and interprets departmental programs, policies, and activities; negotiates and resolves significant and controversial issues.
- > Conducts a variety of departmental organizational and operational studies and investigations; recommends modifications to programs, policies and procedures as appropriate.
- ➤ Participates in and makes presentations to the City Council and a variety of boards and commissions; attends and participates in professional group meetings; stays abreast of new trends and innovations in the field of and other services as they relate to the area of assignment.
- Maintains and directs the maintenance of working and official departmental files.
- Monitors changes in laws, regulations, and technology that may affect City or departmental operations; implements policy and procedural changes as required.
- > Prepares, reviews, and presents staff reports, various management and information updates, and reports on special projects as assigned by the Assistant City Manager.
- Responds to difficult and sensitive public inquiries and complaints and assists with resolutions and alternative recommendations.
- > Performs other duties as assigned.

# **QUALIFICATIONS**

## **Knowledge of:**

- ➤ Principles and practices of employee supervision, including work planning, assignment review and evaluation, discipline, and the training of staff in work procedures.
- > Principles and practices of leadership.
- > Organization and management practices as applied to the development, analysis, and evaluation of programs, policies, and operational needs of the assigned area of responsibility.
- Public agency budget development, contract administration, City-wide administrative practices, and general principles of risk management related to the functions of the assigned area.
- > Theories, principles, and contents of related regulations and environmental laws.
- > Principles and techniques of conducting review, design, and analytical studies, evaluating alternatives, and making sound recommendations.

- Applicable Federal, State, and local laws, rules, regulations, ordinances, and organizational polices and procedures relevant to assigned area of responsibility.
- > Techniques for providing a high level of customer service by effectively dealing with the public, vendors, contractors, and City staff.
- > The structure and content of the English language, including the meaning and spelling of words, rules of composition, and grammar.
- Modern equipment and communication tools used for business functions and program, project, and task coordination.
- > Computers and software programs (e.g., Microsoft software packages) to conduct, compile, and/or generate documentation.

# **Ability to:**

- > Select and supervise staff, provide training and development opportunities, ensure work is performed effectively, and evaluate performance in an objective and positive manner.
- > Provide administrative, management, and professional leadership for the Housing and Mobility programs.
- > Provide administrative and professional leadership and direction for the division and the City.
- > Prepare and administer large and complex budgets; allocate limited resources in a cost effective manner.
- Effectively administer special projects with contractual agreements and ensure compliance with stipulations; effectively administer a variety of service programs and administrative activities.
- Conduct effective negotiations and effectively represent the City and the department in meetings with governmental agencies, contractors, vendors, and various businesses, professional, regulatory, and legislative organizations.
- > Prepare clear and concise reports, correspondence, policies, procedures, and other written materials.
- > Conduct complex research projects, evaluate alternatives, make sound recommendations, and prepare effective technical staff reports.
- Establish and maintain a variety of filing, record-keeping, and tracking systems.
- > Organize and prioritize a variety of projects and multiple tasks in an effective and timely manner; organize own work, set priorities, and meet critical time deadlines.
- ➤ Understand, interpret, and apply all pertinent laws, codes, regulations, policies and procedures, and standards relevant to work performed.
- > Effectively represent the department and the City in meetings with individuals; governmental agencies; community groups; various business, professional, and regulatory organizations.
- ➤ Learn and understand the organization and operation of the City and of outside agencies as necessary to assume assigned responsibilities.
- Independently organize work, set priorities, meet critical deadlines, and follow-up on assignments.
- > Effectively use computer systems, software applications, and modern business equipment to perform a variety of work tasks.
- > Communicate clearly and concisely, both orally and in writing, using appropriate English grammar and syntax.
- ➤ Use tact, initiative, prudence, and independent judgment within general policy, procedural, and legal guidelines.
- Establish, maintain, and foster positive and effective working relationships with those contacted in the course of work.

# **Education and Experience:**

Any combination of training and experience that would provide the required knowledge, skills, and abilities is qualifying. A typical way to obtain the required qualifications would be:

Equivalent to a bachelor's degree in Engineering, Public Administration, Urban Planning, Business Administration, or a related field and seven (7) years of project management experience in community and housing development or transportation including two (2) years of supervisory experience.

#### **Licenses and Certifications:**

- Possession of, or the ability to obtain, a valid Class C California driver's license upon appointment.
- May be required to complete National Incident Management System (NIMS) Training.

# PHYSICAL DEMANDS

Must possess mobility to work in a standard office setting and use standard office equipment, including a computer, to inspect City development sites, to operate a motor vehicle, and to visit various City and meeting sites; vision to read printed materials and a computer screen; and hearing and speech to communicate in person, before groups and over the telephone. This is primarily a sedentary office classification although standing and walking between work areas may be required. Finger dexterity is needed to access, enter, and retrieve data using a computer keyboard or calculator and to operate standard office equipment. Positions in this classification occasionally bend, stoop, kneel, reach, push, and pull drawers open and closed to retrieve and file information.

## **ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS**

Employees work in an office environment with moderate noise levels, controlled temperature conditions, and no direct exposure to hazardous physical substances. Employees may interact with upset staff and/or public and private representatives in interpreting and enforcing departmental policies and procedures.

# **DISASTER SERVICE WORKER**

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ATTACHMENT D
April 2023June 2022

FLSA: Non-Exempt CLASS CODE: 5424

BARGAINING UNIT: Teamsters

# ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE TECHNICIAN

## **DEFINITION**

Under general supervision, performs a variety of routine to complex duties which, depending on assignment, include pretreatment inspections and tests of water, stormwater pollution prevention, water quality, water conservation and efficient uses, backflow, wastewater, cross connection programs, and/or industrial wastes; collects stormwater, water, wastewater and/or industrial wastes samples; conducts field investigations and audits of construction projects to determine compliance with regulations and permit conditions; contacts industrial and institutional customers concerning water conservation and/or wastewater disposal services; prepares reports; and performs related duties, as assigned.

# SUPERVISION RECEIVED AND EXERCISED

Receives general supervision from assigned supervisory or management staff. Exercises no direct supervision over staff.

#### **CLASS CHARACTERISTICS**

This is a technical classification performing a wide variety of environmental inspection duties. Incumbents serve to relieve the supervisor of performing technical detail work and are expected to function with very little direct oversight. Successful performance of the work requires the frequent use of tact, discretion, and independent judgment, knowledge of departmental and City activities, and extensive staff contact. This class is distinguished from other technical classes by the nature, scope, complexity, and diversity of responsibilities involved in the environmental compliance function. This class is distinguished from the Environmental Compliance Analyst in that the latter is responsible for the more complex work, including program administration.

# **EXAMPLES OF TYPICAL JOB FUNCTIONS (Illustrative Only)**

Management reserves the right to add, modify, change, or rescind the work assignments of different positions and to make reasonable accommodations so that qualified employees can perform the essential functions of the job.

## When performing Water Resource assignments:

- Inspects commercial, industrial, institutional, and residential properties for compliance with water restrictions/prohibitions and discharges of stormwater to the City's storm drain system; enforces water and stormwater violations.
- Inspects and enforces new and redevelopment construction projects for compliance with federal, state, and local regulations; ensures installed Post-Construction Stormwater Treatment facilities and devices are compliant with standards and verifies self-monitoring reports; inspects as necessary to confirm.
- Contacts customers to ensure compliance with backflow device requirements and ensure customers make appropriate repairs; generates and sends initial notices, follow up notices, and final notices to owners of backflow devices for annual testing; maintains records and files on backflow prevention devices, locations, inspections, testing, and corrections.
- ➤ Verifies and approves customers for qualifying water conservation and efficiency rebates and incentive

## programs.

Assist in the implementation of practices and procedures for the City's Water Conservation and Efficiency Program, including inputting water consumption data collected; assists with preparing reports and notices for the City and outside regulatory agencies.

# When performing Pre-Treatment assignments:

- Inspects, monitors, and conducts sampling at various categorical and non-categorical commercial and industrial sites, including conducting comprehensive inspections of new and existing industry, restaurants, and contaminated projects for compliance with fat oils and grease programs and wastewater discharge regulations; evaluates environmental risks associated with industrial processes and activities; ensures hazardous chemicals are stored in accordance with regulations.
- Monitors the fats, oils, and grease (FOG) inspection program; conducts, tracks, and schedules inspections.
- Prepares accurate records and correspondence, including writing, updating, negotiating, and maintaining industrial wastewater discharge permits and holding tank wastewater discharge permits.
- Meet and corresponds with industrial and commercial users to interpret and implement federal, state, and local regulations, ordinances, and policies of the pretreatment programs.
- Investigates and traces the sources of illegal industrial wastes entering the City's wastewater collection system.

## When performing Water Distribution and Supply Assignments:

- > Test and repair installed backflow prevention devices at City facilities to ensure compliance with all laws and ordinances.
- Contacts customers to ensure compliance with backflow device requirements and ensures customers make appropriate repairs; generates and sends initial notices, follow-up notices, and final notices to owners of backflow devices for annual testing; maintains records and files on backflow prevention devices, locations, inspections, testing, and corrections.
- Conduct disinfection and bacteriological testing and sampling for new water mains.
- Maintain database of all public and privately owned backflow devices to ensure reporting compliance with Federal and State regulatory programs.

## When performing all assignments:

- Maintains and monitors database of rule violations, investigations, and findings.
- Responds to public inquiries regarding area of assignment.
- Prepares written inspection reports and related documentation for the pretreatment, stormwater management, and/or water conservation and efficiency programs; maintains inspection documentation and records as required in accordance with established City records management procedures.
- Assists in researching, developing, and implementing community outreach and public education materials around pretreatment, stormwater management, and/or water conservation projects and programs; speaks to groups and individuals regarding City programs and efforts; participates as an active and contributing member of designated community organizations, industry specific committees/project teams, and special interest work groups as a representative of the City as assigned.
- Organizes, maintains, and documents all required information for enforcement of City code as directed by the federal, state, and local requirements; prepares technical reports, evidence, and documentation; conducts follow up sampling and inspections.
- Reads, interprets, applies, and explains regulations and standards to customers.
- Maintains accurate records of work performed.
- Performs other related duties as assigned.

# **QUALIFICATIONS**

#### **Knowledge of:**

- > Principles, practices, and programs for the City's industrial wastewater pretreatment program, the industrial waste inspection function, and related programs and projects.
- Principles and practices of water conservation and efficiency.
- > Principles and practices of stormwater discharge management.
- > Practices and techniques related to wastewater and/or hazardous materials sampling and sample handling.
- > Practices and techniques of performing industrial facility and process inspections.
- Practices and techniques of performing construction and industrial inspections.
- > Principles and practices and terminology of cross-connection and backflow prevention.
- > Principles of chemical, biological and related sciences.
- Principles, practices, and terminology of residential, industrial, construction, and commercial wastewater discharge source control.
- > Principles, practices and terminology of pollution prevention as related to water quality.
- > Occupational hazards and standard safety procedures, including confined space entry procedures and related safety equipment.
- > Applicable federal and state laws; city, department, and division regulations, codes, policies, and procedures.
- Recordkeeping principles and procedures.
- > Principles and practices of data collection and technical report preparation.
- > Basic and advanced arithmetic and statistical techniques.
- > Techniques for providing a high level of customer service by effectively dealing with the public, vendors, contractors, and City staff.
- > The structure and content of the English language, including the meaning and spelling of words, rules of composition, and grammar.
- Modern equipment and communication tools used for business functions and program, project, and task coordination.
- ➤ Computers and software programs (e.g., Microsoft software packages) to conduct, compile, and/or generate documentation.

# Ability to:

- > Perform in-depth inspections of construction, residential, industrial, and commercial users.
- Collect water, wastewater, fats, oil, and grease samples to be analyzed in the lab.
- Assemble data and prepare reports and maintain records of testing and findings.
- Read and interpret a variety of meters, gauges, and recording charts.
- > Organize, maintain, and update office database and records systems.
- Prepare clear and concise reports, correspondence, and other written materials.
- Make accurate arithmetic and statistical computations.
- ➤ Understand, interpret, and apply all pertinent laws, codes, regulations, policies and procedures, and standards relevant to work performed.
- Effectively represent the department and the City in meetings with governmental agencies; community groups; various business, professional, and regulatory organizations; and in meetings with individuals.
- > Learn and understand the organization and operation of the City and of outside agencies as necessary to assume assigned responsibilities.
- > Independently organize work, set priorities, meet critical deadlines, and follow-up on assignments.
- > Effectively use computer systems, software applications, and modern business equipment to perform a variety of work tasks.
- ➤ Communicate clearly and concisely, both orally and in writing, using appropriate English grammar and syntax.
- ➤ Use tact, initiative, prudence, and independent judgment within general policy, procedural, and legal guidelines.

> Establish, maintain, and foster positive and effective working relationships with those contacted in the course of work.

# **Education and Experience:**

Any combination of training and experience that would provide the required knowledge, skills, and abilities is qualifying. A typical way to obtain the required qualifications would be:

Equivalent to the completion of the twelfth (12<sup>th</sup>) grade supplemented by at least one (1) year of college-level courses or specialized training in environmental studies or a related field and three (3) years of experience related to office and/or field work, inspections, information gathering, making reports, performing customer service/public contact, interpreting, and applying policies, procedures, rules, and regulations. Experience with creating public outreach materials, making presentations, and performing inspections and/or doing sampling in any field are highly desirable.

#### **Licenses and Certifications:**

- Possession of, or the ability to obtain, a valid Class C California driver's license upon appointment.
- May be required to complete National Incident Management System (NIMS) Training.
- When performing water resource assignments, a Certified Inspector of Sediment and Erosion Control (CISEC) from CISEC, Inc., OR Certified Professional in Erosion and Sediment Control (CPESC), OR Certified Erosion Sediment & Stormwater Inspector (CESSWI) from EnviroCert International, Inc., OR either Qualified Stormwater Developer (QSD) OR Qualified Stormwater Practitioner (QSP) from Office of Water Programs (OWP) is required within 6 months of hire.
- ➤ When performing water efficiency assignments, a Water Use Efficiency Grade I from American Water Works Association (AWWA) is highly desirable.
- When performing <u>water distribution and supply pre-treatment</u> assignments, a Backflow Prevention Assembly Tester Certification and Cross Connection Specialist Certification from American Water Works Association are required within 6 months of hire.

# PHYSICAL DEMANDS

When assigned to an office environment, must possess mobility to work in a standard office setting and use standard office equipment, including a computer; vision to read printed materials and a computer screen; and hearing and speech to communicate in person and over the telephone; ability to stand and walk between work areas may be required. Finger dexterity is needed to access, enter, and retrieve data using a computer keyboard or calculator and to operate standard office equipment. Positions in this classification occasionally bend, stoop, kneel, reach, push, and pull drawers open and closed to retrieve and file information.

When assigned to field inspection, must possess mobility to work in changing site conditions; possess the strength, stamina, and mobility to perform light to medium physical work; to sit, stand, and walk on level, uneven, or slippery surfaces; to reach, twist, turn, kneel, and bend, to climb and descend ladders; and to operate a motor vehicle and visit various City sites; vision to inspect site conditions and work in progress. The job involves fieldwork requiring frequent walking in operational areas to identify problems or hazards, with exposure to hazardous materials in some site locations. Employees must possess the ability to lift, carry, push, and pull materials and objects averaging a weight of 50 pounds, or heavier weights, in all cases with the use of proper equipment and/or assistance from other staff.

# **ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS**

Employees work in an office environment with moderate noise levels, controlled temperature conditions, and no direct exposure to hazardous physical substances. Employees also work in the field and are exposed to loud noise levels, cold and hot temperatures, inclement weather conditions, road hazards, vibration,

confining workspace, chemicals, mechanical and/or electrical hazards, and hazardous physical substances and fumes. Employees may interact with upset staff and/or public and private representatives in interpreting and enforcing departmental policies and procedures.

# **WORKING CONDITIONS**

N/A

#### **DISASTER SERVICE WORKER**

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ATTACHMENT E
April 2023

FLSA: Exempt

CLASS CODE: 3107/31086 BARGAINING UNIT: TMMBU

#### FINANCIAL ANALYST I/II

## **DEFINITION**

Under general direction, provides responsible analytical duties and complex staff support in the Finance Department; coordinates, oversees, and participates in assigned finance service areas, programs, and/or functions; participates in financial policy development and planning; develops, summarizes, and maintains administrative and fiscal records; coordinates assigned activities with other divisions, outside agencies, and the general public; and performs related duties, as assigned.

# SUPERVISION RECEIVED AND EXERCISED

Receives general direction from assigned supervisory or management personnel. Exercises direct and general supervision over assigned staff.

## **CLASS CHARACTERISTICS**

**Financial Analyst I:** This is the entry-level classification in the Financial Analyst series. Initially under close supervision, incumbents learn City financial systems, operations, practices, and procedures. As experienced is gained, assignments become more varied and are performed with greater independence. Assignments may vary with the skill and training of the incumbent. Positions at this level usually perform most of the duties required of the positions at the II-level, but are not expected to function at the same skill level and usually exercise less independent discretion and judgment in matters related to work procedures and methods. Successful performance of the work requires thorough knowledge of governmental accounting practices and procedures, fund accounting, and fiscal management.

**Financial Analyst II:** This is the journey-level classification in the Financial Analyst series. Positions at this level are distinguished from the I-level by the performance of the full range of duties as assigned, working independently, and exercising judgment and initiative. Positions at this level receive only occasional instruction or assistance as new or unusual situations arise and are fully aware of the operating procedures and policies of the work unit. Work is normally reviewed upon completion and for overall results. Successful performance of the work requires thorough knowledge of governmental accounting practices and procedures, fund accounting, and fiscal management.

Positions in the Financial Analyst class series are flexibly staffed and positions at the II-level are normally filled by advancement from the I-level after gaining the knowledge, skill, and experience which meet the qualifications for and after demonstrating the ability to perform the work of the higher-level class.

# **EXAMPLES OF TYPICAL JOB FUNCTIONS (Illustrative Only)**

Management reserves the right to add, modify, change, or rescind the work assignments of different positions and to make reasonable accommodations so that qualified employees can perform the essential functions of the job.

> Plans, organizes, assigns, supervises, and reviews the work of assigned staff.

- Participates in the development and implementation of goals, objectives, policies, and priorities for assigned programs; recommends and administers policies and procedures.
- Evaluates employee performance, counsels employees, and effectively recommends initial disciplinary action; assists in selection and promotion.
- Perform a variety of professional accounting and budgeting duties in support of departments within City government, including purchasing, accounts payable, capital assets, investments and budget preparation, utilities, and internal service operations.
- > Prepare complex statistical and narrative reports to provide financial information.
- Assure compliance with established accounting policies, generally accepted accounting principles for municipal enterprises and governments, and applicable laws, rules, and regulations.
- > Perform routine fiscal and program analyses and make appropriate recommendations to supervisors.
- > Serve as a resource for other staff on various accounting and budgeting inquiries, including purchasing, financial and/or grant policies and procedures and budget adjustments.
- ➤ Participates in and assumes responsibility for various departmental programs including purchasing, financial statements, general ledger, monthly statements, and special projects accounting; conducts and prepares special studies and reports.
- Records and maintains appropriate controls for fixed assets, including City-owned vehicles and land; assists in the City's purchase orders and accounts payable system, auditing and financial analysis, grant accounting, and special reports.
- Assists in the preparation for annual audits.
- Assists with investments, portfolio management, and cash management.
- Attends meetings, conferences, workshops, and training sessions, and reviews publications to remain current on principles, practices, and new developments in the field of accounting.
- > Performs other related duties as assigned.

# **QUALIFICATIONS**

## **Knowledge of:**

- > Principles and practices of employee supervision, including work planning, assignment, review and evaluation, discipline, and the training of staff in work procedures.
- > Principles and practices of leadership.
- Modern principles, practices, and methods of public and governmental purchasing, accounting and financing, including program budgeting and auditing and their application to municipal operations.
- > General principles and practices of data processing and its applicability to accounting and municipal operations.
- Applicable Federal, State, and local laws, regulatory codes, ordinances, and procedures relevant to municipal financial operations.
- Principles and practices of business organization and public administration.
- > Record keeping principles and procedures.
- > Techniques for providing a high level of customer service by effectively dealing with the public, vendors, contractors, and City staff.
- > The structure and content of the English language, including the meaning and spelling of words, rules of composition, and grammar.
- Modern equipment and communication tools used for business functions and program, project, and task coordination.
- > Computers and software programs (e.g., Microsoft software packages) to conduct, compile, and/or generate documentation.

# **Ability to:**

- > Select and supervise staff, provide training and development opportunities, ensure work is performed effectively, and evaluate performance in an objective and positive manner.
- Assist in developing and implementing goals, objectives, practices, policies, procedures, and work standards.
- Analyze financial data and draw sound conclusions.
- > Prepare clear, complete, and concise financial statements and reports.
- Make accurate arithmetic, financial, and statistical computations.
- Enter and retrieve data from a computer with sufficient speed and accuracy.
- Establish and maintain a variety of filing, record-keeping, and tracking systems.
- ➤ Understand, interpret, and apply all pertinent laws, codes, regulations, policies and procedures, and standards relevant to work performed.
- ➤ Learn and understand the organization and operation of the City and of outside agencies as necessary to assume assigned responsibilities.
- > Independently organize work, set priorities, meet critical deadlines, and follow-up on assignments.
- Effectively use computer systems, software applications, and modern business equipment to perform a variety of work tasks.
- > Communicate clearly and concisely, both orally and in writing, using appropriate English grammar and syntax.
- ➤ Use tact, initiative, prudence, and independent judgment within general policy, procedural, and legal guidelines.
- Establish, maintain, and foster positive and effective working relationships with those contacted in the course of work.

# **Education and Experience:**

Any combination of training and experience that would provide the required knowledge, skills, and abilities is qualifying. A typical way to obtain the required qualifications would be:

Equivalent to a bachelor's degree in accounting, finance, economics, or a related field.

<u>Financial Analyst I</u>: Two (2) years of experience performing duties related to administrative and financial analysis and staff support, preferably in a municipal or public sector setting.

<u>Financial Analyst II</u>: Four (4) years of experience performing duties related to administrative and financial analysis and staff support at a level equivalent to the City's class of Financial Analyst I, two (2) years of which must have been in a municipal or public sector setting.

# **Licenses and Certifications:**

- > Possession of, or the ability to obtain, a valid Class C California driver's license upon appointment.
- May be required to complete National Incident Management System (NIMS) Training.

#### PHYSICAL DEMANDS

Must possess mobility to work in a standard office setting and use standard office equipment, including a computer; vision to read printed materials and a computer screen; and hearing and speech to communicate in person and over the telephone. Standing in and walking between work areas is frequently required. Finger dexterity is needed to access, enter, and retrieve data using a computer keyboard or calculator and to operate standard office equipment. Positions in this classification frequently bend, stoop, kneel, and reach to perform assigned duties, as well as push and pull drawers open and closed to retrieve and file information. Employees must possess the ability to lift, carry, push, and pull materials and objects up to 10 pounds with the use of proper equipment.

# **ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS**

Employees work in an office environment with moderate noise levels, controlled temperature conditions, and no direct exposure to hazardous physical substances. Employees may interact with upset staff and/or public and private representatives in interpreting and enforcing departmental policies and procedures.

## **WORKING CONDITIONS**

N/A

# **DISASTER SERVICE WORKER**

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ATTACHMENT F

January April 20212023

FLSA: Exempt CLASS CODE: 3404 BARGAINING UNIT: TMMBU

## FLEET SUPERVISOR

#### **DEFINITION**

Under general direction, plans, schedules, assigns, and reviews the work of equipment mechanic staff within the Public Works Department; supervises, plans, and coordinates the maintenance and repair of City vehicles and equipment; administers, monitors, and provides technical input for assigned equipment maintenance, operations, and related projects and programs; provides responsible technical assistance to the Public Works Superintendent; performs a variety of technical tasks relative to the assigned functional area; and performs related duties, as assigned.

## SUPERVISION RECEIVED AND EXERCISED

Receives general direction from assigned supervisory or management staff. Exercises direct and general supervision over assigned staff.

# **CLASS CHARACTERISTICS**

This is the full supervisory-level class in the equipment mechanic class series. Incumbents are responsible for planning, organizing, supervising, reviewing, and evaluating the work of equipment mechanic staff. Incumbents are expected to independently perform the full range of vehicle and equipment maintenance duties. Performance of the work requires the use of considerable independence, initiative, and discretion within established guidelines.

# **EXAMPLES OF TYPICAL JOB FUNCTIONS (Illustrative Only)**

Management reserves the right to add, modify, change, or rescind the work assignments of different positions and to make reasonable accommodations so that qualified employees can perform the essential functions of the job.

- Plans, organizes, assigns, supervises, and reviews the work of assigned staff in the installation, maintenance, and repair of all City vehicles and equipment; administers specialized projects and programs in the area of assignment.
- ➤ Participates in the development and implementation of goals, objectives, policies, and priorities for assigned services and programs; identifies resource needs; recommends and implements policies and procedures, including standard operating procedures for assigned facilities.
- > Evaluates employee performance, counsels employees, and effectively recommends initial disciplinary action; assists in selection and promotion.
- > Trains staff in work and safety procedures and in the operation and use of equipment and supplies; implements procedures and standards.
- Monitors operations and activities of the equipment maintenance and repair work unit; identifies opportunities for improving service delivery methods and procedures; provides recommendations concerning process changes; reviews with appropriate management staff; implements improvements.
- > Determines and recommends equipment, materials, and staffing needs for assigned operations, projects, and programs; participates in the annual budget preparation; prepares detailed cost estimates; maintains a variety of records and prepares routine reports of work performance.
- ➤ Plans and lays out maintenance work projects; monitors and controls supplies and equipment; orders supplies and tools as necessary; prepares documents for equipment procurement; participates in the bid process for maintenance and repair projects.

- Supervises the use of and operation of tools, equipment, and vehicles; ensures that tools, equipment and vehicles are safely operated, maintained, and secured when not in use; schedules the service, repair, and replacement of tools and equipment.
- Inspects work in progress and completed work of assigned employees and contractors for accuracy, proper work methods, techniques, and compliance with applicable standards and specifications.
- > Coordinates assigned services and activities with those of other divisions and outside agencies.
- Inspects City vehicles and equipment for safety violations; ensures that safety procedures are followed and that safety equipment is worn; makes periodic safety presentations to assigned staff.
- Performs the most complex equipment maintenance and repair duties and provides technical assistance to crews; troubleshoots complex operational and maintenance problems; corrects or directs the correction and repair of operational and/or equipment problems.
- ➤ Provides staff assistance to the Public Works Superintendent; prepares and presents staff reports, Request for Proposals (RFPs), technical specifications, and other written materials; supervises the preparation and maintenance of related reports, records, and files; ensures the proper documentation of operations and activities.
- > Stays current on the status of new and pending regulatory legislation; recommends changes to current policies and procedures in order to comply with changes in legislation.
- > Oversees safety programs and training for the assigned functional areas and work groups; assists in action planning for safety programs; implements and monitors risk management plans regarding hazardous materials; responds to workers' compensation issues.
- Answers questions and provides information to the public; investigates inquiries; recommends corrective actions to resolve issues.
- > Performs other duties as assigned.

# **QUALIFICATIONS**

# **Knowledge of:**

- > Principles and practices of employee supervision, including work planning, assignment, review and evaluation, discipline, and the training of staff in work procedures.
- > Principles and practices of equipment maintenance and repair program development and administration.
- > Principles, practices, equipment, tools, and materials of maintenance and repair of City vehicles and equipment.
- > Applicable Federal, State, and local laws, ordinances, regulations, and guidelines.
- ➤ Basic principles and practices of budget development, administration and accountability.
- > Safety principles, practices, and procedures of equipment maintenance and repair, including related parts, tools, supplies, and materials.
- The operation and maintenance of a variety of hand and power tools, vehicles, and power equipment.
- > Techniques for providing a high level of customer service by effectively dealing with the public, vendors, contractors, and City staff.
- > The structure and content of the English language, including the meaning and spelling of words, rules of composition, and grammar.
- Modern equipment and communication tools used for business functions and program, project, and task coordination.
- > Computers and software programs (e.g., Microsoft software packages) to conduct, compile, and/or generate documentation.

## **Ability to:**

> Select and supervise staff, provide training and development opportunities, ensure work is performed effectively, and evaluate performance in an objective and positive manner.

- Assist in developing and implementing goals, objectives, practices, policies, procedures, and work standards.
- > Organize, implement, and direct maintenance and operations activities.
- ➤ Identify problems, research and analyze relevant information, develop and present recommendations and justification for solution.
- > Perform the most complex maintenance and operations duties and operate related equipment safely and effectively.
- > Develop cost estimates for supplies and equipment.
- Research, analyze, and evaluate new service delivery methods, procedures, and techniques.
- > Prepare clear and concise reports, correspondence, procedures, and other written materials.
- Establish and maintain a variety of manual and computerized files, record keeping, and project management systems.
- Read, interpret, retrieve, and produce drawings, maps, and specifications.
- ➤ Understand, interpret, and apply all pertinent laws, codes, regulations, policies and procedures, and standards relevant to work performed.
- ➤ Effectively use computer systems, software applications, and modern business equipment to perform a variety of work tasks.
- > Communicate clearly and concisely, both orally and in writing, using appropriate English grammar and syntax.
- > Use tact, initiative, prudence, and independent judgment within general policy, procedural, and legal guidelines.
- Establish, maintain, and foster positive and effective working relationships with those contacted in the course of work.

# **Education and Experience:**

Any combination of training and experience that would provide the required knowledge, skills, and abilities is qualifying. A typical way to obtain the required qualifications would be:

Equivalent to an associate degree in Fleet Management, Automotive Technology or a related field and three (3) years of increasingly responsible experience in performing journey-level Equipment Mechanic experience, including two (2) year of lead experience.

## **Licenses and Certifications:**

- Possession of, or the ability to obtain, a valid Class A California driver's license upon appointment.
- Possession of a Master Mechanic Automotive Service Excellence Certificate in either Automotive or Medium/Heavy Trucks.
- ➤ Possession of a Certified Automotive Fleet Specialist (CAFS) or Certified Automotive Fleet Manager (CAFM) issued by National Automotive Fleet Association (NAFA), or Certified Public Fleet Professional (CPFP) issued by American Public Works Association (APWA) are highly desirable.
- May be required to complete National Incident Management System (NIMS) Training.

#### PHYSICAL DEMANDS

Must possess mobility to work in a standard office setting and use standard office equipment, including a computer, and to work in and around a standard shop setting; strength, stamina, and mobility to perform light to medium physical work, to work in confined spaces, around machines, to climb and descend ladders, and to operate varied hand and power tools and equipment; vision to read printed materials and a computer screen; color vision to read gauges and identify appurtenances; and hearing and speech to communicate in person and over the telephone or radio. The job involves frequent walking in operational areas to identify problems or hazards. Finger dexterity is needed to access, enter and retrieve data using a computer keyboard or calculator and to operate above-mentioned tools and equipment. Positions in this classification bend, stoop, kneel, reach, and climb to perform work in and inspect work sites. Employees must possess

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the ability to lift, carry, push, and pull materials and objects weighing up to 50 pounds, or heavier weights with the use of proper equipment.

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS**

Employees partly work in an office environment and partly work in the field and are exposed to loud noise levels, cold and hot temperatures, inclement weather conditions, road hazards, vibration, confining workspace, chemicals, mechanical and/or electrical hazards, and hazardous physical substances and fumes. Employees may interact with upset staff and/or public and private representatives, and contractors in interpreting and enforcing departmental policies and procedures.

## **WORKING CONDITIONS**

N/A

## DISASTER SERVICE WORKER

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ATTACHMENT G

January April 20212023

FLSA: Non-exempt

CLASS CODE: 5421/5422 BARGAINING UNIT: TEAMSTERS

## LABORATORY TECHNICIAN I/II

#### **DEFINITION**

Under direct or general supervision, performs a variety of routine to complex duties in support of the <u>Utilities department Department</u> including collecting samples of potable and recycled water, wastewater, and industrial wastes and performing field and laboratory physical, chemical, biological, and bacteriological tests on various matrices; and performs related duties, as assigned.

#### SUPERVISION RECEIVED AND EXERCISED

Receives direct (Laboratory Technician I) or general (Laboratory Technician II) supervision from assigned supervisory or management staff and technical and functional direction and training from assigned supervisory or management staff. Exercises no direct supervision over staff.

## **CLASS CHARACTERISTICS**

<u>Laboratory Technician I</u>: This is the entry-level classification in the Laboratory Technician series. Initially under close supervision, incumbents with basic experience learn City systems, operations, practices, and procedures. As experience is gained, assignments become more varied and are performed with greater independence. Assignments may vary with the skill and training of the incumbent. Positions at this level usually perform most of the duties required of the positions at the II-level, but are not expected to function at the same skill level and usually exercise less independent discretion and judgment in matters related to work procedures and methods.

<u>Laboratory Technician II</u>: This is the journey-level classification in the Laboratory Technician series. Positions at this level are distinguished from the I-level by the performance of the full range of duties as assigned, working independently, and exercising judgment and initiative. Positions at this level receive only occasional instruction or assistance as new or unusual situations arise and are fully aware of the operating procedures and policies of the work unit.

Positions in the Laboratory Technician class series are flexibly staffed and positions at the II-level are normally filled by advancement from the I-level after gaining the knowledge, skill, and experience which meet the qualifications for and after demonstrating the ability to perform the work of the higher-level class.

## **EXAMPLES OF TYPICAL JOB FUNCTIONS (Illustrative Only)**

Management reserves the right to add, modify, change, or rescind the work assignments of different positions and to make reasonable accommodations so that qualified employees can perform the essential functions of the job.

- Performs and interprets chemical, biochemical, biological, microbiological, and physical analyses of samples related to the treatment, quality control, and distribution of potable and recycled water, as well as treatment, quality control, and disposal of wastewater influent, effluent, and biosolids, following standard procedures and guidelines.
- Participates in the collection of samples at various sites throughout the water and wastewater systems for testing to determine the effectiveness of each stage of the treatment process.
- > Sets up, calibrates, operates, and performs minor maintenance and repair to a variety of laboratory instruments and equipment.

- Prepares standard chemical solutions and reagents for laboratory and operations; disposes of outdated materials in a safe manner; prepares test kits for sampling, cleans glassware and equipment to ensure that the laboratory is maintained in a clean and orderly condition.
- Maintains accurate records of test results and work performed; assembles and records test data and results using database software; prepares draft charts, graphs, and written reports.
- > Periodically monitors inventory of laboratory supplies; orders materials and equipment to maintain supply levels; updates order records.
- Maintains quality control and quality assurance and follows safe work procedures within standard operating procedures and protocols.
- Participates in analyzing and interpreting laboratory results, recognizing problems that may be occurring during the treatment process.
- Performs routine testing and analyses of potable water, recycled water, and wastewater effluent to maintain laboratory certification and ensure regulatory compliance.
- Responds to public complaints and questions regarding water quality issues.
- > Consults with appropriate operations staff regarding analysis results as necessary.
- Assists less experienced staff as necessary; attends periodic trainings to stay abreast of methodological and regulatory changes relevant to the field of work.
- > Performs other related duties as assigned.

# **QUALIFICATIONS**

#### **Knowledge of:**

- > Chemical, biological, and physical characteristics of various environmental matrices including water and wastewater.
- > Principles, practices, techniques, equipment, and materials required for basic chemical, biological, microbiological, and physical analysis of samples of potable water and wastewater.
- > Sampling techniques and related statistical analysis techniques.
- Laboratory and wastewater plant safety procedures and equipment.
- ➤ Basic principles of water and wastewater treatment and distribution/disposal.
- > Record-keeping principles and procedures.
- Principles and practices of data collection, analysis, and report preparation.
- Techniques for providing a high level of customer service by effectively dealing with the public, vendors, contractors, and City staff.
- The structure and content of the English language to perform the work.
- Modern equipment and communication tools used for business functions and program, project, and task coordination.
- > Computers and software programs (e.g., Microsoft software packages) to conduct, compile, and/or generate documentation.

# Ability to:

- Perform basic chemical, biochemical, biological, microbiological, and physical analyses of various matrices including potable water and wastewater.
- Make appropriate recommendations for the laboratory, plant or drinking water operations based on results of laboratory analyses.
- Research, analyze, and summarize data, and prepare and present accurate and reliable reports containing findings and recommendations.
- > Organize, maintain, and update database and records systems.
- Make accurate basic chemical, arithmetic, and statistical computations.
- Maintain attention to detail and accuracy.
- ➤ Identify and take appropriate action when operating problems occur.

- ➤ Understand, interpret, and apply all pertinent laws, codes, regulations, policies and procedures, and standards relevant to work performed.
- Learn and understand the organization and operation of the City and of outside agencies as necessary to assume assigned responsibilities.
- > Independently organize work, set priorities, meet critical deadlines, and follow-up on assignments.
- Effectively use computer systems, software applications, and modern business equipment to perform a variety of work tasks.
- > Communicate clearly and concisely, both orally and in writing, using appropriate English grammar and syntax.
- > Use tact, initiative, prudence, and independent judgment within general policy, procedural, and legal guidelines.
- Establish, maintain, and foster positive and effective working relationships with those contacted in the course of work.

## **Education and Experience:**

Any combination of training and experience that would provide the required knowledge, skills, and abilities is qualifying. A typical way to obtain the required qualifications would be:

<u>Laboratory Technician I</u>: Equivalent to graduation from the twelfth (12th) grade, supplemented by specialized training or college level course work in chemistry, biochemistry, microbiology or related sciences and two (2) years of experience performing chemical or bacteriological tests in a laboratory or treatment plant.

<u>Laboratory Technician II</u>: Equivalent to graduation from the twelfth (12th) grade, supplemented by specialized training or college level course work in chemistry, biochemistry, microbiology or related sciences and four (4) years of experience performing chemical or bacteriological tests in a laboratory or treatment plant.

#### **Licenses and Certifications:**

- > Possession of, or the ability to obtain, a valid California Class C driver's license upon appointment.
- > May be required to complete National Incident Management System (NIMS) Training.

<u>Laboratory Technician I</u>: Possession of a Grade I Laboratory Analyst certification issued by the California Water Environment Association (CWEA) within two (2) years of appointment.

<u>Laboratory Technician II</u>: Possession of a Grade II Laboratory Analyst certification issued by the CWEA upon appointment.

## PHYSICAL DEMANDS

Must possess mobility to work in standard office and laboratory settings and use standard office and laboratory equipment, including a computer, and to operate a motor vehicle to visit various City and meeting sites; vision to read printed materials and a computer screen; and hearing and speech to communicate in person and over the telephone. Standing in and walking between work areas is frequently required. Finger dexterity is needed to access, enter, and retrieve data using a computer keyboard or calculator and to operate standard office and laboratory equipment. Positions in this classification frequently bend, stoop, kneel, and reach to perform assigned duties, as well as push and pull drawers open and closed to retrieve and file information. Employees must possess the ability to lift, carry, push, and pull materials and objects up to 40 pounds with the use of proper equipment

## **ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS**

Employees work in laboratory and office environments with low to moderate noise levels and controlled temperature conditions. Employees are frequently exposed to odors, fumes, and hazardous chemicals and physical substances. Employees may interact with upset staff and/or public and private representatives in interpreting and enforcing departmental policies and procedures. Works outdoors, as needed, and subject to inclement weather.

### **WORKING CONDITIONS**

N/A

## **DISASTER SERVICE WORKER**

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ATTACHMENT H

January April 20212023

FLSA: Exempt Class Code: 3401 Bargaining Unit: TMMBU

## **OPERATIONSPUBLIC WORKS**-SUPERINTENDENT

## **DEFINITION**

Under general direction, plans, organizes, oversees, coordinates, and manages the staff and operations in the Public Works—Department assigned to Internal Services, Streets and Traffic Maintenance, Urban Forestry, Parks, Sports Fields & Landscape Maintenance, or other department divisions as needed; manages the effective use of resources to improve organizational productivity and customer service; provides complex and responsible support to the Director of Public Works—in areas of expertise; and performs related duties, as assigned.

# SUPERVISION RECEIVED AND EXERCISED

Receives general direction from assigned supervisory or management staff. Exercises general direction and supervision over assigned staff through subordinate levels of supervision.

## **CLASS CHARACTERISTICS**

This is a management classification responsible for planning, organizing, reviewing, and evaluating staff, operations, programs, projects, and activities of the assigned Public Works service area. Responsibilities include developing and implementing policies and procedures for assigned programs, budget administration and reporting, and program evaluation. Incumbents serve as a professional-level resource for organizational, managerial, and operational analyses and studies. Performance of the work requires the use of considerable independence, initiative, and discretion within established guidelines. This class is distinguished from the Director of Public Works in that the latter oversees all or a majority of public works operations and maintenance programs and projects of the Public Works Ddepartment.

#### **Service Areas:**

Positions are assigned to one of the following service areas in the Public Works Department:

Internal Services: Building maintenance, fleet management, and custodial services.

<u>Streets, Traffic Maintenance, and Urban Forestry:</u> Maintenance of City roadways, sidewalks, traffic signs and striping, trees, and right-of-ways.

<u>Parks, Sports Fields and Landscapes:</u> Maintenance, repair, and construction of City parks, sports fields, landscaping, and associated facilities.

### **EXAMPLES OF TYPICAL JOB FUNCTIONS (Illustrative Only)**

Management reserves the right to add, modify, change, or rescind the work assignments of different positions and to make reasonable accommodations so that qualified employees can perform the essential functions of the job.

➤ Plans, manages, and oversees the daily functions, operations, and activities of the assigned division within the Public Works Department.

- ➤ Participates in the development and implementation of goals, objectives, policies, and priorities for the division; recommends within division policy, appropriate service and staffing levels; recommends and administers policies and procedures.
- Ensures operational and programmatic compliance with applicable laws, including CalOSHA related to the assigned service area.
- ➤ Participates in the development, administration, and oversight of operating and capital improvement program (CIP) budgets for the division; determines funding needed for staffing, equipment, materials and supplies; ensures compliance with budgeted funding.
- Develops and standardizes procedures and methods to improve and continuously monitor the efficiency and effectiveness of assigned programs, service delivery methods, and procedures; assesses and monitors workload, administrative, and support systems, and internal reporting relationships; identifies opportunities and makes recommendations for improvement.
- Participates in the selection of, trains, motivates, and evaluates assigned personnel; works with employees to correct deficiencies; recommends and implements discipline and termination procedures.
- > Develops and manages requests for proposals for professional and/or contracted services; prepares scope of work and any technical specifications; evaluates proposals and recommends award; negotiates contracts; administers contracts to ensure compliance with City specifications and service quality.
- ➤ Participates in developing and planning and manages preventative and long-term maintenance and safety programs.
- Participates in planning, prioritizing, scheduling, and constructing capital improvement and maintenance projects; reviews plans and specifications and recommends changes as appropriate to meet operational needs; oversees the work of contractors to ensure compliance with City standards.
- Prepares and presents staff reports and other necessary correspondence related to assigned activities and services; presents reports to various commissions, committees, boards, and City Council.
- > Conducts a variety of organizational and operational studies and investigations; recommends modifications to assigned programs, policies, and procedures, as appropriate.
- > Serves as a liaison for assigned functions with other City departments and outside agencies.
- Attends and participates in professional group meetings; stays abreast of new trends and innovations in the field of public works maintenance and operations; researches emerging products and enhancements and their applicability to City needs.
- Monitors changes in regulations and technology that may affect operations; implements policy and procedural changes after approval.
- Receives, investigates, and responds to difficult and sensitive problems and complaints in a professional manner; identifies and reports findings and takes necessary corrective action.
- > Performs other duties as assigned.

## **Knowledge of:**

- Administrative principles and practices, including goal setting, program development, implementation, and evaluation, project management, budget development and administration, and contract administration and management.
- > Principles and practices of employee supervision, including work planning, assignment, review and evaluation, and the training of staff in work procedures.
- > Principles and techniques for working with groups and fostering effective team interaction to ensure teamwork is conducted smoothly.
- Applicable federal, state, and local laws, rules, regulations, ordinances, and organizational policies and procedures relevant to assigned area of responsibility.
- Principles, practices, methods, equipment, and techniques of the construction, maintenance, and repair of public works systems and facilities.
- > Practices of researching public works maintenance and operations issues, evaluating alternatives,

- making sound recommendations, and preparing technical reports.
- > Techniques for effectively representing the City in contacts with governmental agencies, community groups, and various business, professional, educational, regulatory, and legislative organizations.
- Recent and on-going developments, current literature, and sources of information related to the operations of the assigned division.
- ➤ Methods and techniques of preparing technical and administrative reports, and general business correspondence.
- > Techniques for providing a high level of customer service by effectively dealing with the public, vendors, contractors, and City staff.
- > The structure and content of the English language, including the meaning and spelling of words, rules of composition, and grammar.
- Modern equipment and communication tools used for business functions and program, project, and task coordination.
- > Computers and software programs (e.g., Microsoft software packages) to conduct, compile, and/or generate documentation.

# **Ability to:**

- > Select and supervise staff, provide training and development opportunities, ensure work is performed effectively, and evaluate performance in an objective and positive manner.
- > Provide administrative and professional leadership and direction for the division and the City.
- Prepare and administer large and complex budgets; allocate limited resources in a cost-effective manner.
- Analyze and interpret plans and specifications in accordance with design requirements and applicable standards and regulations.
- ➤ Independently conduct studies and research projects, evaluate alternatives, make sound recommendations, and prepare effective staff and technical reports; present technical information and data in an effective manner.
- > Prepare clear and concise reports, correspondence, policies, procedures, and other written materials.
- Research, analyze, and evaluate new service delivery methods, procedures, and techniques.
- ➤ Understand, interpret, and apply all pertinent laws, codes, regulations, policies and procedures, and standards relevant to work performed.
- ➤ Effectively represent the department and the City in meetings with governmental agencies; community groups; various business, professional, and regulatory organizations; and in meetings with individuals.
- ➤ Learn and understand the organization and operation of the City and of outside agencies as necessary to assume assigned responsibilities.
- Independently organize work, set priorities, meet critical deadlines, and follow-up on assignments.
- ➤ Effectively use computer systems, software applications, and modern business equipment to perform a variety of work tasks.
- > Communicate clearly and concisely, both orally and in writing, using appropriate English grammar and syntax.
- ➤ Use tact, initiative, prudence, and independent judgment within general policy, procedural, and legal guidelines.
- Establish, maintain, and foster positive and effective working relationships with those contacted in the course of work.

## **Education and Experience:**

Any combination of training and experience that would provide the required knowledge, skills, and abilities is qualifying. A typical way to obtain the required qualifications would be:

Equivalent to an associate degree in public administration, or a field closely related to the relevant assigned service area and three (3) years of increasingly responsible supervisory experience in the relevant service

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area or a closely related field or two (2) years of experience at a level equivalent to the City's Public WorksOperations-Supervisor, in the relevant service area.

#### **Licenses and Certifications:**

- > Possession of, or the ability to obtain, a valid Class C California driver's license upon appointment.
- May be required to possess or obtain a valid California Pesticide Applicator Certificate and/or a Certified Playground Safety Inspector (CPSI) certificate and/or a Certified Sports Field Management certificate (CSFM) for certain positions within 6 months of appointment.
- May be required to complete National Incident Management System (NIMS) Training.

## PHYSICAL DEMANDS

Must possess mobility to work in a standard office setting and use standard office equipment; strength, stamina, and mobility to work in the field and perform medium to heavy physical work; to sit, stand, and walk on level, uneven, or slippery surfaces; frequently reach, twist, turn, kneel, bend, stoop, squat, crouch, grasp and make repetitive hand movement in the performance of daily duties; to climb and descend ladders, to operate varied hand and power tools and construction equipment, and to operate a motor vehicle and visit various City sites; and vision to inspect and operate equipment. The job involves fieldwork requiring frequent walking in operational areas to identify problems or hazards. Employees must possess the ability to lift, carry, push, and pull materials and objects averaging a weight of 50 pounds or heavier weights, in all cases with the use of proper equipment and/or assistance from other staff.

## **ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS**

Employees work in an office environment and in the field and are exposed to loud noise levels, cold and hot temperatures, inclement weather conditions, road hazards, vibration, confining workspace, chemicals, mechanical and/or electrical hazards, and hazardous physical substances and fumes.

## **WORKING CONDITIONS**

N/A

#### **DISASTER SERVICE WORKER**

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ATTACHMENT I

April 2023 FLSA: Exempt Class Code: 3405

**Bargaining Unit: TMMBU** 

# **OPERATIONS PUBLIC WORKS** SUPERVISOR

#### **DEFINITION**

Under general direction, plans, schedules, assigns, reviews, and supervises the work of maintenance crews and/or contractors in the Public Works Department assigned to Parks, Sports Fields & Landscape Maintenance, Urban Forestry, Streets and Traffic Maintenance, Utility Maintenance, or other department divisions as needed; coordinates assigned activities with other City departments and outside agencies; and performs other duties as assigned.

## **SUPERVISION RECEIVED AND EXERCISED**

Receives general direction from assigned supervisory or management staff. Exercises direct and general supervision over assigned staff.

## **CLASS CHARACTERISTICS**

This is the full supervisory-level class in the Maintenance Worker series. Incumbents are responsible for planning, organizing, supervising, reviewing, and evaluating the work of staff and for providing technical support to management in an assigned service area. Performance of the work requires the use of independence, initiative, and discretion within established guidelines. The Operations Supervisor is distinguished from the Operations Superintendent class in that the duties of the former are performed primarily in the field overseeing and supervising work crews and the latter has overall management responsibility for activities of a given division within the Public Works-Department.

## **Service Areas:**

Positions may be assigned to one of the following service areas in the Public Works Department:

<u>Parks, Sports Fields & Landscape Maintenance:</u> Maintenance, operation, repair, and construction of City parks, sports fields, and public landscaping.

<u>Urban Forestry</u>: Maintenance of City street, park and landscape trees, Integrated Pest Management (IPM) and sidewalks.

<u>Streets and Traffic Maintenance</u>: Maintenance of City roadways, sidewalks, traffic signs, striping, and the Community Preservation Unit.

<u>Utility Lines</u>: Maintenance of City water distribution system, meters, and sewer/storm drain collection system.

### **EXAMPLES OF TYPICAL JOB FUNCTIONS (Illustrative Only)**

Management reserves the right to add, modify, change, or rescind the work assignments of different positions and to make reasonable accommodations so that qualified employees can perform the essential functions of the job.

Plans, organizes, assigns, supervises, and reviews the work of assigned staff in the Public Works Department; trains staff in work procedures and safe work practices; evaluates employee performance,

- counsels employees, and effectively recommends initial disciplinary action; assists in selection and promotion.
- ➤ Participates in the development of goals, objectives, policies, and procedures for assigned services and programs; recommends and implements policies and procedures including standard operating procedures for assigned operations.
- Monitors activities of the maintenance work unit; identifies opportunities for improving service delivery and procedures; provides recommendations concerning process changes; reviews with appropriate management staff; implements improvements.
- ➤ Coordinates assigned services and operations with those of other service areas, departments, outside agencies, and community groups.
- Participates in annual budget preparation; identifies and recommends future resource needs; prepares detailed cost estimates with appropriate justifications; monitors expenditures.
- ➤ Plans and lays out maintenance projects; monitors and controls supplies and equipment; orders supplies and tools as necessary; prepares documents for equipment procurement; participates in the bid process for projects.
- > Supervises the use and operation of tools, equipment, and vehicles; ensures that tools, equipment, and vehicles are safely operated, maintained, and secured when not in use; schedules service, repair, and replacement of tools, equipment, and vehicles.
- > Inspects work in progress and completed work of assigned employees and contractors for accuracy, proper work methods and techniques, and compliance with applicable standards and specifications.
- > Supervises the preparation and maintenance of reports, records, and files; ensures the proper documentation of projects and activities.
- ➤ Collaborates and confers with property owners, developers, architects, engineers, and contractors and other City staff in acquiring information and coordinating public works matters; provides information regarding City policies, procedures, codes, and ordinances.
- Monitors changes in regulations and technology that may affect public works maintenance services; implements policy and procedural changes after approval.
- Answers questions and provides information to the public; investigates and responds to complaints and inquiries from citizens, other departments, and agencies; recommends corrective actions to resolve issues.
- > Performs other duties as assigned.

#### **Knowledge of:**

- ➤ Principles and practices of employee supervision, including work planning, assignment review and evaluation, discipline, and the training of staff in work procedures.
- > Principles and techniques for working with groups and fostering effective team interaction to ensure teamwork is conducted smoothly.
- ➤ Basic principles and practices of budget administration and monitoring.
- > Principles, practices, methods, equipment, and techniques of the construction, maintenance, and repair of public works systems and facilities.
- Applicable federal, state, and local laws, rules, regulations, ordinances, and organizational policies and procedures relevant to assigned area of responsibility.
- > Techniques for effectively representing the City in contacts with governmental agencies, community groups, and various business, professional, regulatory, and legislative organizations.
- ➤ Principles and procedures of record keeping, technical report writing, and preparation of correspondence.
- > Techniques for providing a high level of customer service by effectively dealing with the public, vendors, contractors, and City staff.
- The structure and content of the English language, including the meaning and spelling of words, rules

- of composition, and grammar.
- Modern equipment and communication tools used for business functions and program, project, and task coordination.
- > Computers and software programs (e.g., Microsoft software packages) to conduct, compile, and/or generate documentation.

# In addition, Parks, Sports Fields & Landscape Maintenance and Urban Forestry:

- ➤ Principles and practices of arboriculture, horticulture, pesticide, and fertilizer application, and irrigation.
- > Central control irrigation systems.
- > Playground and sports field safety requirements and practices.

## In addition, Streets and Traffic Maintenance:

> Principles and practices of roadway, sidewalk, and traffic maintenance.

#### *In addition, Utility Lines:*

> Principles and practices of water distribution, sewer/storm drain, meter maintenance, and meter reading.

# Ability to:

- > Select and supervise staff, provide training and development opportunities, ensure work is performed effectively, and evaluate performance in an objective and positive manner.
- Assist in developing and implementing goals, objectives, practices, policies, procedures, and work standards.
- > Organize, implement, and direct public works maintenance programs and activities.
- ➤ Identify problems, research and analyze relevant information, and develop and present recommendations and justification for solution.
- Perform the most difficult public works maintenance duties.
- Research, analyze, and evaluate new service delivery methods, procedures, and techniques.
- > Prepare clear and concise reports, correspondence, procedures, and other written materials.
- Maintain accurate records and files of work performed.
- Make accurate arithmetic and financial computations.
- ➤ Understand, interpret, and apply all pertinent laws, codes, regulations, policies and procedures, and standards relevant to work performed.
- ➤ Effectively represent the department and the City in meetings with individuals; governmental agencies; community groups; various business, professional, and regulatory organizations.
- ➤ Effectively use computer systems, software applications, and modern business equipment to perform a variety of work tasks.
- > Communicate clearly and concisely, both orally and in writing, using appropriate English grammar and syntax.
- ➤ Use tact, initiative, prudence, and independent judgment within general policy, procedural, and legal guidelines.
- Establish, maintain, and foster positive and effective working relationships with those contacted in the course of work.

#### **Education and Experience:**

Any combination of training and experience that would provide the required knowledge, skills, and abilities is qualifying. A typical way to obtain the required qualifications would be:

Equivalent to graduation from the twelfth (12<sup>th)</sup> grade and three (3) years of increasingly responsible journey level experience in the relevant maintenance and operations service area, including at least two (2) years in a lead role. An associate degree from an accredited college or university with major course work in a field

closely related to the assigned field maintenance and operations service area and public sector experience is highly desirable.

#### **Licenses and Certifications:**

- > Possession of, or the ability to obtain, a valid Class C California driver's license upon appointment.
- May be required to complete National Incident Management System (NIMS) Training.

### Parks, Sports Fields & Landscape Maintenance, Streets and Traffic Maintenance, and Urban Forestry:

Possession of a Qualified Applicator Certificate from the California Department of Pesticide Regulations is required within six (6) months of appointment.

### **Urban Forestry:**

- ➤ Certification as an Arborist as issued by the International Society of Arboriculture (ISA) is required within six (6) months of appointment.
- ➤ <u>Highly desirable for Urban Forestry:</u> ISA certification as a Tree Worker/Climber Specialist and/or Tree Worker Aerial Lift Specialist. Possession of an ISA Tree Risk Assessment Qualification.

#### Streets and Traffic Maintenance:

- ➤ Possession of a work zone safety certificate from International Municipal Signal Association (IMSA), Traffic Control Supervisor Association (TCSA), International Transportation Engineers (ITE), American Public Works Association (APWA), American Traffic Safety Services Association (ATSSA), or the Institution of Transportation Studies (ITS) within six (6) months of appointment.
- ➤ <u>Highly desirable for Streets/Traffic:</u> Possession of a Level I and Level II signs and markings certification from the IMSA or the TCSA.

## **Utility Lines:**

- ➤ Possession of a Grade IV Water Distribution Operator certificate issued by the State of California at time of application.
- ➤ Possession of a Grade III Wastewater Collection System Maintenance certification issued by the California Water Environment (CWEA) within six months of appointment.
- ➤ <u>Highly desirable for Utility Lines:</u> Possession of a certificate issued by the American Water Works Association (AWWA) for backflow device testing.

## **PHYSICAL DEMANDS**

Must possess mobility to work in a standard office setting and use standard office equipment; strength, stamina, and mobility to work in the field and perform medium to heavy physical work; to sit, stand, and walk on level, uneven, or slippery surfaces; frequently reach, twist, turn, kneel, bend, stoop, squat, crouch, grasp and make repetitive hand movement in the performance of daily duties; to climb and descend ladders, to operate varied hand and power tools and construction equipment, and to operate a motor vehicle and visit various City sites; and vision to inspect and operate equipment. The job involves fieldwork requiring frequent walking in operational areas to identify problems or hazards. Finger dexterity is needed to operate and repair tools and equipment. Employees must possess the ability to lift, carry, push, and pull materials and objects averaging a weight of 50 pounds or heavier weights, in all cases with the use of proper equipment and/or assistance from other staff.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS**

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Employees work in an office environment and in the field and are exposed to loud noise levels, cold and hot temperatures, inclement weather conditions, road hazards, vibration, confining workspace, chemicals, mechanical and/or electrical hazards, and hazardous physical substances and fumes.

## **WORKING CONDITIONS**

Some positions may require working shifts and/or alternate schedules as needed.

#### **DISASTER SERVICE WORKER**

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ATTACHMENT J January 2021 April 2023

FLSA: Exempt CLASS CODE: 3509 BARGAINING UNIT: TMMBU

### PARKS PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT MANAGER

### **DEFINITION**

Under general direction, plans, organizes, directs and coordinates, and reviews the work of staff performing duties related to parks planning and development the including activities related to the design, construction, renovation and long term planning of the parks, sports fields, street landscapes and related recreational facilities, including oversight and implementation of the Parks Capital Improvement Plan and management of complex capital projects; supervises program development and planning and oversees the daily operations of the Parks Planning Division; manages and administers policies and procedures for the division; serves as a professional and technical resources to provides highly complex staff assistance to the Director of Parks and Recreation; and performs related duties as assigned.

### SUPERVISION RECEIVED AND EXERCISED

Receives general direction from assigned supervisory or management staff. May exercise direct and general supervision over assigned staff.

# **CLASS CHARACTERISTICS**

This is a management classification responsible for planning, organizing, reviewing, and evaluating the day to day operations of the Parks Planning Division. activities related to the design, construction, renovation and long term planning of the parks, sports fields, street landscapes and related recreational facilities. Responsibilities include developing and implementing policies and procedures for assigned programs, budget administration and reporting, and program evaluation. Incumbents serve as a professional-level resource for organizational, managerial, and operational analyses and studies. Performance of the work requires the use of considerable independence, initiative, and discretion within established guidelines.

## **EXAMPLES OF TYPICAL JOB FUNCTIONS (Illustrative Only)**

Management reserves the right to add, modify, change, or rescind the work assignments of different positions and to make reasonable accommodations so that qualified employees can perform the essential functions of the job.

- Plans, manages and oversees the daily functions, operations and activities of the Parks Planning Division, including oversight of Coordinate and oversee park and landscape development projects to include new construction, rehabilitation and developer-built projects; manage bid process, including pre-bid conferences and walk-throughs; provide technical information in the response to bidder inquiries; and administer construction projects, including managing project budgets and conducting field inspections.
- Participates in the development and implementation of goals, objectives, policies, and priorities for the divisions; recommends within policy, appropriate service and staffing levels; recommends and administers policies and procedures.
- Participates in the development, administration, and oversight of division operational and CIP budgets.
- ▶ Plan, organize and direct parks planning and development activities including land acquisition, planning, design and implementation.
- Attend, prepare and present staff reports and informational items to City Council, Parks Commission, Planning Commission, and other commissions and boards as assigned.

- Prepare and facilitate public meetings that deal with sensitive community concerns regarding park development/renovation projects; respond to citizen concerns and complaints.
- > Conduct public and internal meetings regarding the design and development of new parks, sports and recreational facilities.
- Plan review of projects from Development Services and Public Works Departments other City departments as they related to parks and recreation facilities.
- Plan review of municipal landscape and irrigaton projects prepared by outside consultants.
- Participates in the selection of, trains, motiviates, and evaluates assigned personnel; works with employees to correct deficiencies; recommends discipline to the Director of Parks and Recreation.
- ➤ Oversee and review the work of outside contractors and consultants and maintenance and operations staff from other City departments; ensure work is performed consistent with project requirements, timelines, and budget guidelines; take remdial action when necessary.
- Prepare operational and capital improvement budgets; oversee and administer budgets for assigned area.
- Analyze Capital Improvement Program needs for the department and develop recommendations.
- Research and prepare technical and administrative reports.
- > Inspect City, developer and commercial landscape installations.
- Performs other related duties as assigned.

#### **Knowledge of:**

- Administrative principles and practices, including goal setting, program development, implementation, and evaluation, and project management of large scale projects including managing timelines, monitoring and administering project budgets, and developing and delivering progress reports to governing bodies, management, and other stakeholders.
- Principles and practices of employee supervision, including work planning, assignment review and evaluation, discipline and the training of staff in work procedures.
- Principles and practices of leadership.
- ➤ Organization and management practices as applied to the development, analysis, and evaluation of programs, policies, and operational needs of the assigned area of responsibility.
- Principles and practices of park, sports and recreational facility, and landscape design, architecture, construction, maintenance and horticulture related to park and landscape planning and design and related recreational uses.
- Principles and utilization of architecture tools, templates, scale and graphics.
- Principles and practices of contracts and agreements, contract negotiations, and grants administration.
- Principles and practices of project management of large scale projects including managing timelines, monitoring and administering project budgets, and developing and delivering progress reports to governing bodies, management, and other stakeholders.
- Pertinent local, State and Federal rules, regulations, and laws.
- Principles and practices of employee supervision, including work planning, assignment review and evaluation, discipline, and the training of staff in work procedures.
- Principles and practices of leadership.
- > Techniques for providing a high level of customer service by effectively dealing with the public, vendors, contractors, and City staff.
- ➤ The structure and content of the English language, including the meaning and spelling of words, rules of composition, and grammar.
- Modern equipment and communication tools used for business functions and program, project, and task coordination.
- > Computers and software programs (e.g., Microsoft software packages) to conduct, compile, and/or generate documentation.

## **Ability to:**

- Select and supervise staff, provide training and development opportunities, ensure work is performed effectively, and evaluate performance in an objective and positive manner.
- Develop and implement goals, objectives, practices, policies, procedures, and work standards.
- Provide administrative, management, and professional leadership for the Parks Planning and Development program.
- Analyze and evaluate complex financial, budgeting and administrative problems, and develop, recommend, and implement effective solutions.
- Direct the formulation, implementation and interpretation of administrative, budget, personnel, policies and procedures.
- Develop short-term and long-range plans to anticipate service needs for the City.
- Provide administrative and professional leadership and direction for the department and the City.
- → Organize and direct Parks Planning and Development operations.
- Conduct studies, prepare and present complex technical reports.
- Analyze problems, identify alternative solutions, project consequences of proposed actions and implement recommendations in support of goals.
- Prepare and administer a budget. budgets, monitor expenditures and revenues, and identify and effectively utilize available resources.
- > Coordinate departmental services with City departments and public and private organizations.
- Understand, interpret, and apply all pertinent laws, codes, regulations, policies and procedures, and standards relevant to work performed.
- Ensure conformance with applicable laws and regulations governming the business of the Department, make difficult decisions and award contracts impartially and objectively.
- Effectively represent the department and the City in meetings with individuals; governmental agencies; community groups; various business, professional, and regulatory organizations.
- Learn and understand the organization and operation of the City and of outside agencies as necessary to assume assigned responsibilities.
- > Independently organize work, set priorities, meet critical deadlines, and follow-up on assignments.
- > Effectively use computer systems, software applications, and modern business equipment to perform a variety of work tasks.
- > Communicate clearly and concisely, both orally and in writing, using appropriate English grammar and syntax.
- ➤ Use tact, initiative, prudence, and independent judgment within general policy, procedural, and legal guidelines.
- Establish, maintain, and foster positive and effective working relationships with those contacted in the course of work.

### **Education and Experience:**

Any combination of training and experience that would provide the required knowledge, skills, and abilities is qualifying. A typical way to obtain the required qualifications would be:

Equivalent to a bachelor's degree in landscape architecture, parks and recreation administration, ornamental or environmental horticulture, public administration, community development or related field and five (5) years of increasingly responsible experience in regional and community planning, capital improvement project management, and/or parks and landscape contruction including one-two (21) years of lead or in a supervisory experience capacity.

#### **Licenses and Certifications:**

> Possession of, or the ability to obtain, a valid Class C California driver's license upon appointment.

- Possession of valid registration as a Landscape Architect with the issued by the State of California and Architects Board at time of application.
- ➤ Certified Construction Manager (CCM) certificate are is highly desirable.
- May be required to complete National Incident Management System (NIMS) Training.

## PHYSICAL DEMANDS

Must possess mobility to work in a standard office setting and use standard office equipment, including a computer, and to operate a motor vehicle to visit various City and meeting sites; vision to read printed materials and a computer screen; and hearing and speech to communicate in person and over the telephone. Standing in and walking between work areas is frequently required. Finger dexterity is needed to access, enter, and retrieve data using a computer keyboard or calculator and to operate standard office equipment. Positions in this classification frequently bend, stoop, kneel, and reach to perform assigned duties, as well as push and pull drawers open and closed to retrieve and file information. Employees must possess the ability to lift, carry, push, and pull materials and objects up to 25 pounds with the use of proper equipment.

## **ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS**

Employees predominately work in an office environment with moderate noise levels, controlled temperature conditions, and no direct exposure to hazardous physical substances. Employees may work in the field and occasionally be exposed to loud noise levels, cold and hot temperatures, inclement weather conditions, road hazards, vibration, mechanical and/or electrical hazards, and hazardous chemical substances and fumes. Employees may interact with members of the public or with staff under emotionally stressful conditions while interpreting and enforcing departmental policies and procedures.

### **DISASTER SERVICE WORKER**

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ATTACHMENT K April 2023<del>August 2022</del>

FLSA: Exempt CLASS CODE: 6212

**BARGAINING UNIT: TPMA** 

## **DEFINITION**

Under general direction, plans, organizes, oversees, and coordinates the functions and activities of a bureau of the Police Department which includes the supervision of sworn and non-sworn professional, technical, and administrative support staff performing difficult and complex public safety support work; coordinates assigned activities with other City departments and outside agencies; provides complex and responsible support to the Police Chief and others in areas of expertise; and performs related work as required.

**POLICE CAPTAIN** 

# SUPERVISION RECEIVED AND EXERCISED

Receives general direction from assigned supervisory or management staff. Exercises general direction and supervision over assigned staff through subordinate levels of supervision.

### **CLASS CHARACTERISTICS**

This is a management classification that manages the operations and services of an assigned bureau of the City's Police Department. Responsibilities include performing diverse, specialized, and complex work involving significant accountability and decision-making responsibility. The incumbent organizes and oversees day-to-day activities and operations of assigned functional areas, including patrol, community services and investigative functions, or administrative support activities. Successful performance of the work requires an extensive professional background as well as skill in coordinating work with that of other City departments and public agencies. This class is distinguished from the Police Chief in that the latter has overall management responsibility for all Police Department programs, functions, and activities, and for developing, implementing, and interpreting public policy.

#### **EXAMPLES OF TYPICAL JOB FUNCTIONS (Illustrative Only)**

Management reserves the right to add, modify, change, or rescind the work assignments of different positions and to make reasonable accommodations so that qualified employees can perform the essential functions of the job.

- Plans, manages, and oversees the daily functions, operations, and activities of assigned police functional areas, including patrol, community services and/or investigations.
- Participates in the development and implementation of goals, objectives, policies, and priorities for assigned areas; recommends within departmental policy, appropriate service and staffing levels; recommends and administers policies and procedures.
- Participates in the development and administration of and oversees bureau budgets.
- > Develops and standardizes procedures and methods to improve and continuously monitors the efficiency and effectiveness of assigned programs, service delivery methods, and procedures; assesses and monitors workload, administrative and support systems, and internal reporting relationships; identifies opportunities for improvement and recommends to the Police Chief.
- ➤ Participates in the selection of, trains, motivates, and evaluates assigned personnel; provides or coordinates staff training; works with employees on performance issues; implements discipline and termination procedures.
- Recommends and administers policies and procedures while ensuring that operation and maintenance, financial, regulatory, and legal requirements are met.

- Investigates and resolves problems with requests for services or complaints regarding police functions; conducts internal investigations of complaints from officers and/or the public; mediates any conflicts or disputes with department personnel or the public; takes appropriate action to ensure a timely and equitable resolution when necessary.
- ➤ Provides leadership and administrative expertise during major emergency situations and natural disasters utilizing standardized Emergency Management System (EMS) regulations, including organizing operations center, call back of personnel and equipment resources, providing active management of emergencies and disasters, utilizing City's emergency action, and participating in organizing, planning, and practicing EMS training.
- ➤ Prepares, reviews, and completes various reports, including City Council agenda reports and department-related documentation and correspondence.
- > Provides technical information and instruction regarding applicable procedures and methods; interprets and explains rules, regulations, and procedures; answers questions and resolves concerns.
- Serves as a liaison for the assigned bureau to other City departments, divisions, and outside agencies; attends meetings, as necessary; provides staff support to commissions, committees, and task forces, as necessary; negotiates and resolves significant and controversial issues.
- ➤ Provides highly complex staff assistance to the Police Chief; develops and reviews staff reports related to assigned activities and services; may present information to the City Council and various commissions, committees, and boards; performs a variety of public relations and outreach work related to assigned activities.
- > Conducts a variety of organizational studies, investigations, and operational studies; recommends modifications to public safety programs, policies, and procedures.
- Attends and participates in professional group meetings; stays abreast of new trends and innovations in the field of police services; researches emerging products and enhancements and their applicability to City needs.
- ➤ Monitors changes in regulations and technology that may affect operations; implements policy and procedural changes after approval.
- Receives, investigates, and responds to difficult and sensitive problems and complaints in a professional manner; identifies and reports findings and takes necessary corrective action.
- Acts as the Police Chief in their absence, as assigned.
- > Performs other duties as assigned.

#### **Knowledge of:**

- ➤ Principles and practices of employee supervision, including work planning, assignment review and evaluation, discipline, and the training of staff in work procedures.
- > Principles and practices of leadership.
- ➤ Organization and management practices as applied to the development, analysis, and evaluation of programs, policies, and operational needs of the assigned area of responsibility.
- > Functions, services, and funding sources of a full-service municipal police department.
- > Contract management practices in a public agency setting.
- Applicable Federal, State, and local laws, regulatory codes, ordinances, and procedures relevant to assigned area of responsibility.
- ➤ Practices of researching municipal police services issues, evaluating alternatives, making sound recommendations, and preparing and presenting effective staff reports.
- > General principles of risk management related to the functions of the assigned area.
- Recent and on-going developments, current literature, and sources of information related to public works operations and maintenance.
- > Record keeping principles and procedures.
- > Techniques for providing a high level of customer service by effectively dealing with the public,

- vendors, contractors, and City staff.
- > The structure and content of the English language, including the meaning and spelling of words, rules of composition, and grammar.
- Modern equipment and communication tools used for business functions and program, project, and task coordination.
- ➤ Computers and software programs (e.g., Microsoft software packages) to conduct, compile, and/or generate documentation.

#### **Ability to:**

- > Select and supervise staff, provide training and development opportunities, ensure work is performed effectively, and evaluate performance in an objective and positive manner.
- > Provide administrative, management, and professional leadership for the Police Department.
- > Provide administrative and professional leadership and direction for the bureau and the City.
- Administer complex and technical operations, maintenance, and related programs in an independent and cooperative manner.
- > Evaluate and develop improvements in operations, procedures, policies, or methods.
- Research, analyze, and evaluate new service delivery methods, procedures, and techniques.
- Prepare clear and concise reports, correspondence, policies, procedures, and other written materials.
- Analyze, interpret, summarize, and present administrative and technical information and data in an effective manner.
- ➤ Conduct complex research projects, evaluate alternatives, make sound recommendations, and prepare effective technical staff reports.
- ➤ Understand, interpret, and apply all pertinent laws, codes, regulations, policies and procedures, and standards relevant to work performed.
- ➤ Effectively represent the department and the City in meetings with governmental agencies; community groups; various business, professional, and regulatory organizations; and in meetings with individuals.
- Learn and understand the organization and operation of the City and of outside agencies as necessary to assume assigned responsibilities.
- > Independently organize work, set priorities, meet critical deadlines, and follow-up on assignments.
- > Effectively use computer systems, software applications, and modern business equipment to perform a variety of work tasks.
- ➤ Communicate clearly and concisely, both orally and in writing, using appropriate English grammar and syntax.
- ➤ Use tact, initiative, prudence, and independent judgment within general policy, procedural, and legal guidelines.
- Establish, maintain, and foster positive and effective working relationships with those contacted in the course of work.

## **Education and Experience:**

Any combination of training and experience that would provide the required knowledge, skills, and abilities is qualifying. A typical way to obtain the required qualifications would be:

Equivalent to a bachelor's degree in criminal justice, police science, public administration, or a related field and two (2) years as a Police Lieutenant with the City of Tracy at time of application.

### **Licenses and Certifications:**

- Possession of, or the ability to obtain, a valid Class C California driver's license upon appointment.
- Possession of, or completed the requirements the ability to obtain, a valid Management P.O.S.T. Certificate.
- > Possession of a valid CPR certification.

May be required to complete National Incident Management System (NIMS) Training.

### PHYSICAL DEMANDS

Must possess mobility to work in a standard office setting and use standard office equipment, including a computer; maintain P.O.S.T. physical standards, including mobility, physical strength, and stamina to respond to emergency situations and apprehend suspects; vision to maintain firearms qualification and to read printed materials and a computer screen; and hearing and speech to communicate in person, before groups, and over the telephone or radio. The job involves fieldwork requiring frequent walking on uneven terrain and climbing and descending structures to access crime scene and to identify problems or hazards. Finger dexterity is needed to access, enter, and retrieve data using a computer keyboard or calculator and to operate police services equipment. Positions in this classification frequently bend, stoop, kneel, reach, and climb to perform work and inspect work sites. Employees must possess the ability to lift, carry, push, and pull materials and objects necessary to perform job functions.

# **ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS**

Employees work indoors and outdoors, and are exposed to loud noise levels, cold and hot temperatures, inclement weather conditions, vibration, confining workspace, chemicals, mechanical and/or electrical hazards, and hazardous physical substances and fumes. Employees may interact with upset staff and/or public and private representatives in interpreting and enforcing departmental policies and procedures. The principal duties of this class are performed in a police station environment with exposure to criminal offenders, mentally ill individuals, and persons potentially infected with communicable diseases.

## **WORKING CONDITIONS**

Must be willing to pass a detailed background investigation. Must be willing to work extended shifts or be called back in emergency situations and work with exposure to difficult circumstances, including exposure to dangerous situations.

#### **DISASTER SERVICE WORKER**

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ATTACHMENT L April 2023<del>January 2021</del>

FLSA: Non-Exempt CLASS CODE: 6103

BARGAINING UNIT: TPOA

### POLICE CORPORAL

### **DEFINITION**

Under general direction, leads and participates in a wide variety of patrol and related duties involving the prevention of crime, the protection of life and property, traffic control, and the enforcement of Federal, State, and local laws and ordinances; employs community policing strategies to prevent juvenile crime and delinquency; assists in the preparation of cases and testifies in court; provides information and assistance to the public; functions as a Field Training Officer providing instruction to new police officers or other employees on police tactics and techniques; provides remedial training and instruction to other police officers and employees as assigned; serves as a supervisor in the absence of regular supervisory personnel; and performs related work as required.

### SUPERVISION RECEIVED AND EXERCISED

Receives general direction from assigned supervisory or management staff. Exercises technical and functional direction over and provides training to lower-level staff. Exercises no direct supervision over staff.

### **CLASS CHARACTERISTICS**

This is the advanced journey-level classification in the Police Officer series. Incumbents work under general direction and exercise a high level of discretion and independent judgment in performing the full range of routine to complex sworn law enforcement duties in the enforcement of Federal, State, and local laws and ordinances. Incumbents also provide lead direction and supervision to clerical, technical, and professional staff. Positions at this level serve as a Field Training Officer as well as an assistant supervisor and may act as a shift supervisor in the absence of a Police Sergeant. This class is distinguished from Police Sergeant in that the latter is the full, working supervisory level in this sworn class series.

## **EXAMPLES OF TYPICAL JOB FUNCTIONS (Illustrative Only)**

Management reserves the right to add, modify, change, or rescind the work assignments of different positions and to make reasonable accommodations so that qualified employees can perform the essential functions of the job.

- > Trains new police officers and assesses their performance; provides remedial or advanced training to experienced police officers.
- > Provides leadership and guidance to subordinate staff.
- > Serves as a Field Training Officer (FTO), provides field training to colleagues, assesses training performance, and keeps supervisory staff abreast of training progress as necessary.
- Performs a variety of community policing duties to maintain a highly visible presence within the community for the purpose of deterring crime, maintaining good community relations, and providing assistance to the public, including speaking before various civic and community groups, patrolling assigned divisions by foot, bicycle, or vehicle, and performing other related duties as required.
- Patrols the City within an assigned area in a radio dispatched automobile to secure life and property, observes situations, reports and inspects suspicious and criminal activity, or hazardous conditions, and deters crime by providing high visibility patrols.
- Responds to emergency calls for service, disturbances, thefts, burglaries, vehicle accidents, domestic

- disputes, suspicious activities, and other incidents to protect public safety and property, resolve problems, diffuse situations, and enforce laws and ordinances.
- Provides information, directions, and assistance to the public in a variety of situations; takes reports and assists the public with complaints or unusual situations.
- Detects, apprehends, arrests, and transports suspected or convicted criminals.
- ➤ Enforces traffic laws; prepares and issues tickets for violations; investigates traffic accidents and determines causes; administers drug and alcohol testing as appropriate; arranges for additional emergency and patrol vehicles as necessary.
- > Secures crime scenes and evidence; interviews suspects, victims, and witnesses; collects and preserves evidence; performs complete investigations and/or cooperates with other law enforcement agencies providing investigative and case development support.
- Responds to a wide variety of calls from citizens in need of first aid, information, and general assistance; provides direction or information to individuals or groups for the purpose of preventing, subduing, or alleviating harmful, dangerous or illegal situations; performs traffic and crowd control duties as needed.
- ➤ Prepares a variety of detailed and concise police reports related to crimes, investigations, traffic accidents, and assigned activities; maintains records and logs related to daily activities; prepares search warrants and press releases related to criminal activity as assigned by the position.
- > Serves as an informational resource to the public concerning law enforcement activities; responds to inquiries and provides detailed and technical information concerning related services, crimes, laws, ordinances, codes, regulations, policies, and procedures.
- ➤ Communicates with other law enforcement agencies, City personnel, and various outside organizations to exchange information, coordinate activities, and resolve issues or concerns; collaborates with other law enforcement agencies in the investigation of various crimes as appropriate; assists the District Attorney's Office in preparing, documenting, and developing cases and gathering information; testifies in court as required.
- > Serves writs, warrants, subpoenas, and other legal documents as necessary.
- ➤ Operates and maintains a variety of specialized law enforcement equipment such as patrol vehicles, firearms, handcuffs, leg restraints, batons, flashlights, radars, two-way radios, pepper spray, breathalyzers, and sirens.
- Assists in cases involving unfit homes and crimes committed against or by juveniles.
- ➤ Provides first aid, cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR), and rescue services at crime scenes, accidents, and other emergency situations as needed.
- > Conducts investigations in specialized areas such as narcotics, missing persons, sexual abuse, mental health, and deaths as assigned.
- Notifies the public of criminal and law enforcement situations and activities as needed; checks on the health and welfare of citizens as requested.
- Attends and participates in various meetings and training sessions as assigned; serves in assigned special functions and activities as required.
- > Promotes the City's commitment to excellence and quality customer service by employing community policing strategies.
- Assists in preparation of briefing materials; in the absence of an assigned Sergeant, assists in supervising law enforcement activities during an assigned shift; conducts briefings; collects and issues equipment; and reviews and approves reports.
- > Prepares police reports and related documentation; reviews police reports for accuracy and completeness.
- > Performs other duties as assigned.

## **Knowledge of:**

Principles of providing functional direction and training.

- Law enforcement principles, practices, and techniques related to patrol, traffic enforcement, crime scene control and investigation, protection of life and property, and pursuit, apprehension, and transportation of suspects.
- Rules of evidence regarding search and seizure, the preservation of evidence, and the chain of custody.
- > Courtroom procedures and techniques for testifying.
- Applicable Federal, State, and local laws, regulatory codes, ordinances, procedures, and court decisions relevant to assigned area of responsibility.
- > Safety practices and equipment related to the work, including the safe use and proper care of firearms, chemical agents, and impact weapons.
- First aid and CPR.
- > Safe operation of a motor vehicle in under patrol, high speed, and emergency conditions.
- Record-keeping and report preparation techniques.
- Techniques for providing a high level of customer service by effectively dealing with the public, vendors, contractors, and City staff.
- > The structure and content of the English language, including the meaning and spelling of words, rules of composition, and grammar.
- Modern equipment and communication tools used for business functions and program, project, and task coordination.
- > Computers and software programs (e.g., Microsoft software packages) to conduct, compile, and/or generate documentation.

## **Ability to:**

- ➤ Plan, organize, and coordinate the work of professional and technical law enforcement staff and administrative support staff.
- > Effectively provide staff leadership and work direction.
- > Observe and document incident details accurately; recall faces, names, descriptive characteristics, and facts of incidents and places.
- > Perform a variety of law enforcement activities including patrol functions and traffic regulation.
- Interpret, apply, and explain complex laws, codes, regulations, and ordinances.
- > Prepare clear, accurate and grammatically correct reports, records, and other written materials.
- ➤ Identify and be responsive to community issues, concerns, and needs.
- Respond to crime and emergency scenes and take immediate and appropriate action.
- Take command while dealing with disorderly or emergency situations.
- > Investigate crimes and inspect crime scenes to identify and collect potential and actual evidence.
- > Operate specialized law enforcement equipment and vehicles in a safe and responsible manner.
- Maintain records and prepare clear and concise reports.
- ➤ Understand, interpret, and apply all pertinent laws, codes, regulations, policies and procedures, and standards relevant to work performed.
- > Speak effectively before groups.
- Effectively represent the department and the City in meetings with governmental agencies; community groups; various business, professional, and regulatory organizations; and in meetings with individuals.
- ➤ Learn and understand the organization and operation of the City and of outside agencies as necessary to assume assigned responsibilities.
- ➤ Independently organize work, set priorities, meet critical deadlines, and follow-up on assignments.
- Effectively use computer systems, software applications, and modern business equipment to perform a variety of work tasks.
- > Communicate clearly and concisely, both orally and in writing, using appropriate English grammar and syntax
- ➤ Use tact, initiative, prudence, and independent judgment within general policy, procedural, and legal guidelines.
- Establish, maintain, and foster positive and effective working relationships with those contacted in the

course of work.

### **Education and Experience:**

Any combination of training and experience that would provide the required knowledge, skills, and abilities is qualifying. A typical way to obtain the required qualifications would be:

Equivalent to completion of the twelfth  $(12^{th})$  grade and three (3) years of increasingly responsible law enforcement experience as a sworn peace officer. A minimum of At least one (1)(2) years as a Police Officer with the City of Tracy Police Department is desirable at the time of application.

#### **Licenses and Certifications:**

- Possession of, or the ability to obtain, a valid Class C California driver's license upon appointment.
- > Possession of a valid Basic P.O.S.T. Certificate.
- Possession of a valid Intermediate P.O.S.T. certificate is desirable.
- Possession of a valid CPR certification.
- May be required to complete National Incident Management System (NIMS) Training.

## PHYSICAL DEMANDS

Must maintain P.O.S.T. physical standards, including mobility, physical strength, and stamina to respond to emergency situations and pursue and apprehend suspects, and vision to maintain firearms qualification. Work is primarily performed in the field requiring frequent walking and running on uneven terrain, climbing and descending structures to access crime scenes, pursue suspects on foot, and identify problems or hazards, and operation of a motor vehicle to perform patrol and pursuit duties and to visit various City sites and locations. Finger dexterity is needed to access, enter, and retrieve data using a computer keyboard or calculator and to operate police services equipment. Positions in this classification frequently bend, stoop, kneel, reach, and climb to perform duties. Employees must possess the ability to lift, carry, push, and pull materials and objects necessary to perform job functions consistent with P.O.S.T. standards. Some duties of this classification are carried out in an office setting, and employees must possess mobility to work in a standard office setting and use standard office equipment, including a computer; and to read printed materials and a computer screen; and hearing and speech to communicate in person, before groups, and over the telephone or radio.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS**

Employees work indoors and outdoors, and are exposed to loud noise levels, cold and hot temperatures, inclement weather conditions, vibration, confining workspace, chemicals, mechanical and/or electrical hazards, and hazardous physical substances and fumes. Employees may interact with upset staff and/or public and private representatives in interpreting and enforcing departmental policies and procedures. The principal duties of this class are performed in a police station environment with exposure to criminal offenders, mentally ill individuals, and persons potentially infected with communicable diseases.

### WORKING CONDITIONS

Must pass a detailed background investigation. Must be willing to work extended shifts or be called back in emergency situations and work with exposure to difficult circumstances, including exposure to dangerous situations.

## DISASTER SERVICE WORKER

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ATTACHMENT M

April 2023 August 2022

FLSA: Exempt CLASS CODE: 6211 BARGAINING UNIT: TPMA

## POLICE LIEUTENANT

# **DEFINITION**

Under general direction, plans, organizes, oversees, coordinates, and reviews the work of professional, technical, and administrative sworn and nonsworn staff of a major work unit or functional area in the Police Department; provides highly complex and responsible support to Police management staff and others in areas of expertise; oversees, reviews, and performs a variety of studies and prepares and presents staff reports; and performs related work as required.

### SUPERVISION RECEIVED AND EXERCISED

Receives general direction from assigned supervisory or management staff. Exercises general direction and supervision over assigned staff through subordinate levels of supervision.

## **CLASS CHARACTERISTICS**

This is a management classification in the sworn Police Officer series responsible for planning, organizing, reviewing, and evaluating the functions and operations of a major work unit or functional area in the Police Department including law enforcement, policing, and/or community services functions. Responsibilities include developing and implementing policies and procedures for assigned programs, budget administration and reporting, and program evaluation. Incumbents serve as a professional-level resource for organizational, managerial, and operational analyses and studies. Performance of the work requires the use of considerable independence, initiative, and discretion within established guidelines. This class is distinguished from Police Captain in that the latter has overall management responsibility for an entire bureau of the Police Department.

### **EXAMPLES OF TYPICAL JOB FUNCTIONS (Illustrative Only)**

Management reserves the right to add, modify, change, or rescind the work assignments of different positions and to make reasonable accommodations so that qualified employees can perform the essential functions of the job.

- ➤ Plans, manages, and oversees the daily functions, operations, and activities of the assigned functional area of the Police Department.
- ➤ Participates in the development and implementation of goals, objectives, policies, and priorities for the department; recommends within departmental policy, appropriate service and staffing levels; recommends and administers policies and procedures.
- Develops and standardizes procedures and methods to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of police services and programs; assesses and monitors workload; identifies opportunities for improvement and recommends to the Police Captain.
- Monitors expenditures within an assigned budget.
- ➤ Participates in selection, trains, motivates, and evaluates assigned personnel; provides or coordinates staff training; works with employees on performance issues; reviews staff reports and other work products prepared by professional planning staff; assigns work and provides guidance and direction to staff regarding work plans and methods.
- > Provides highly complex staff assistance to the Police Captain; assists in preparation of staff reports, procedures, written materials, and other necessary correspondence.

- ➤ Conducts a variety of organizational studies, investigations, and operational studies; recommends modifications to bureau programs, policies, and procedures, as appropriate.
- Investigates and resolves problems with requests for services or complaints regarding police functions; conducts internal investigations of complaints from officers and/or the public; mediates any conflicts or disputes with department personnel or the public; takes appropriate action to ensure a timely and equitable resolution as necessary.
- > Provides effective professional liaison between the Police Department and other City Departments and bureaus.
- Maintains and directs the maintenance of departmental files; directs the release of records and dispatch activities.
- Represents the City and/or the Police Department in meetings with members of other public and private organizations, businesses, educational and community groups, and the public.
- Responds to emergency or unusual situations; performs the full range of patrol, investigative, and related duties of a sworn Police Officer and assumes a command role as appropriate; may oversee and coordinate the work of multi-agency task forces or committees.
- Assists in providing leadership and administrative expertise during major emergency situations and natural disasters utilizing standardized Emergency Management System (EMS) regulations, including participating in organizing operations center, call back of personnel and equipment resources, providing active management of emergencies and disasters utilizing City's emergency action, and participating in organizing, planning, and practicing EMS training.
- Attends and participates in professional group meetings; stays abreast of new trends and innovations in police services; researches emerging products and enhancements and their applicability to City needs.
- Assists the Police Captain with special projects, as needed.
- May assume command of a bureau of the department in the absence of the Police Captain.
- > Performs other duties as assigned.

#### **Knowledge of:**

- > Principles and practices of employee supervision, including work planning, assignment review and evaluation, discipline, and the training of staff in work procedures.
- > Principles and practices of leadership.
- Applicable Federal, State, and local laws, regulatory codes, ordinances, and procedures relevant to assigned area of responsibility.
- Functions, services and funding sources of a full-service municipal police department.
- ➤ Law enforcement principles, practices, and techniques related to patrol, traffic enforcement, crime scene control and investigation, protection of life and property, and pursuit, apprehension, and transport of suspects.
- > Rules of evidence regarding search and seizure and the preservation of evidence.
- Investigation and identification techniques and equipment.
- Courtroom procedures and techniques for testifying.
- Recent and on-going developments, current literature, and sources of information related to the operations of a municipal police department.
- > Safety practices and equipment related to the work, including the safe use and proper care of firearms.
- ➤ Basic principles and practices of budget development and administration.
- Record keeping principles and procedures.
- > Techniques for providing a high level of customer service by effectively dealing with the public, vendors, contractors, and City staff.
- > The structure and content of the English language, including the meaning and spelling of words, rules of composition, and grammar.
- Modern equipment and communication tools used for business functions and program, project, and task

coordination.

> Computers and software programs (e.g., Microsoft software packages) to conduct, compile, and/or generate documentation.

#### Ability to:

- > Select and supervise staff, provide training and development opportunities, ensure work is performed effectively, and evaluate performance in an objective and positive manner.
- Assist in developing and implementing goals, objectives, practices, policies, procedures, and work standards.
- > Evaluate and develop improvements in operations, procedures, policies, or methods.
- Research, analyze, and evaluate new service delivery methods, procedures, and techniques.
- Interpret and explain public safety programs to the general public; identify and respond to issues and concerns of the public, City Council, and other boards and commissions.
- Conduct complex research projects, evaluate alternatives, and make sound recommendations.
- > Coordinate assigned activities with other City departments and outside agencies as required.
- ➤ Prepare and present clear, concise, and logical written and oral reports, correspondence, policies, procedures, and other written materials.
- Establish and maintain a variety of filing, record-keeping, and tracking systems.
- Make sound, independent decisions within established policy and procedural guidelines.
- ➤ Understand, interpret, and apply all pertinent laws, codes, regulations, policies and procedures, and standards relevant to work performed.
- Effectively represent the department and the City in meetings with governmental agencies; community groups; various business, professional, and regulatory organizations; and in meetings with individuals.
- ➤ Learn and understand the organization and operation of the City and of outside agencies as necessary to assume assigned responsibilities.
- > Independently organize work, set priorities, meet critical deadlines, and follow-up on assignments.
- Effectively use computer systems, software applications, and modern business equipment to perform a variety of work tasks.
- > Communicate clearly and concisely, both orally and in writing, using appropriate English grammar and syntax.
- ➤ Use tact, initiative, prudence, and independent judgment within general policy, procedural, and legal guidelines.
- Establish, maintain, and foster positive and effective working relationships with those contacted in the course of work.

# **Education and Experience:**

Any combination of training and experience that would provide the required knowledge, skills, and abilities is qualifying. A typical way to obtain the required qualifications would be:

Equivalent to an associate degree in criminal justice, police science, public administration, or a related field and two (2) years as a Police Sergeant with the City of Tracy at time of application.

#### **Licenses and Certifications:**

- ➤ Possession of, or the ability to obtain, a valid Class C California driver's license upon appointment.
- ➤ Possession of, or <u>completed the requirements to obtain, the ability to obtain</u>, a valid POST Advanced Certificate and POST Supervisory Certificate.
- > Possession of a valid CPR certification.
- May be required to complete National Incident Management System (NIMS) Training.
- ➤ Bachelor's degree in criminal justice, police science, public administration, or related field is desirable.

#### PHYSICAL DEMANDS

Must possess mobility to work in a standard office setting and use standard office equipment, including a computer; maintain P.O.S.T. physical standards, including mobility, physical strength, and stamina to respond to emergency situations and apprehend suspects; vision to maintain firearms qualification and to read printed materials and a computer screen; and hearing and speech to communicate in person, before groups, and over the telephone or radio. The job involves fieldwork requiring frequent walking on uneven terrain and climbing and descending structures to access crime scene and to identify problems or hazards. Finger dexterity is needed to access, enter, and retrieve data using a computer keyboard or calculator and to operate police services equipment. Positions in this classification frequently bend, stoop, kneel, reach, and climb to perform work and inspect work sites. Employees must possess the ability to lift, carry, push, and pull materials and objects necessary to perform job functions.

## **ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS**

Employees work indoors and outdoors, and are exposed to loud noise levels, cold and hot temperatures, inclement weather conditions, vibration, confining workspace, chemicals, mechanical and/or electrical hazards, and hazardous physical substances and fumes. Employees may interact with upset staff and/or public and private representatives in interpreting and enforcing departmental policies and procedures. The principal duties of this class are performed in a police station environment with exposure to criminal offenders, mentally ill individuals, and persons potentially infected with communicable diseases.

# **WORKING CONDITIONS**

Must be willing to pass a detailed background investigation. Must be willing to work extended shifts or be called back in emergency situations and work with exposure to difficult circumstances, including exposure to dangerous situations.

#### DISASTER SERVICE WORKER

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ATTACHMENT N April 2023<del>January 2021</del>

**FLSA: Non-Exempt** Class Code: 6105

**Bargaining Unit: TPOA** 

## POLICE SERGEANT

### **DEFINITION**

Under general direction, organizes, assigns, and supervises law enforcement activities during an assigned shift including patrol functions, traffic regulation, and the enforcement of Federal, State, and local laws, regulatory codes, and ordinances; coordinates, supervises, and participates in the response to and the investigation of crimes, accidents, emergency situations, and other disturbances and requests for assistance; reviews, evaluates, and approves cases and arrests; trains and evaluates the performance of assigned personnel; and performs related duties, as assigned.

# SUPERVISION RECEIVED AND EXERCISED

Receives general direction from assigned supervisory or management staff. Exercises direct and general supervision over assigned staff.

### **CLASS CHARACTERISTICS**

This is the working supervisor classification in the sworn police series. Incumbents are responsible for planning, organizing, supervising, reviewing, and evaluating the work of sworn police staff, and are expected to perform the full range of police officer duties. Performance of the work requires the use of considerable independence, initiative, and discretion within established guidelines. This class is distinguished from the Police Lieutenant in that the latter has management responsibility in the daily operations and activities of an assigned division within the Police Department.

## **EXAMPLES OF TYPICAL JOB FUNCTIONS (Illustrative Only)**

Management reserves the right to add, modify, change, or rescind the work assignments of different positions and to make reasonable accommodations so that qualified employees can perform the essential functions of the job.

- > Plans, organizes, assigns, supervises, and reviews the work of sworn staff on an assigned patrol shift; trains staff in work procedures; coordinates shift changes; oversees training activities; evaluates employee performance, counsels employees, and effectively recommends initial disciplinary action; reviews police reports submitted by officers for accuracy, completeness, and adherence to established policies and procedures.
- Monitors and assesses Police Department policies and procedures for community effectiveness and operational efficiency; assists with the development of policies and procedures; determines appropriate equipment for police activities as needed.
- > Monitors and organizes law enforcement activities during an assigned shift, including patrol functions, traffic regulation, and the enforcement of Federal, State, and local laws, codes, ordinances and regulations; establishes shift timelines and priorities; ensures shift activities comply with established standards, requirements, and procedures.
- > Supervises and participates in patrolling City streets, parks, commercial, and residential areas; identifies traffic violations and suspicious or criminal activities including misdemeanors and felonies; coordinates

- response to emergency situations and observed or reported harmful or illegal conditions and activities by taking appropriate action.
- ➤ Coordinates shift activities, communications, investigations, and patrol units to safeguard the lives, property, and constitutional rights of City citizens and visitors; monitors, evaluates, and adjusts shift activities in response to community law enforcement needs.
- Monitors and ensures the proper operation of the intake, detention, care and transportation of adult and juvenile detainees and persons in-custody.
- ➤ Detects, apprehends, arrests, and transports suspected or convicted criminals; enforces traffic laws; prepares and issues tickets for violations; investigates traffic accidents and determines causes; administers drug and alcohol testing as appropriate; arranges for additional emergency and patrol vehicles as necessary.
- Responds to major crime scenes, accidents, or emergencies and assumes immediate command of police activities, including supervising and participating in any or all crime scene processes, providing technical advice and direction; observes, interviews, and interrogates victims, witnesses, and suspects; searches suspects for drugs, weapons, and other illegal articles.
- Assists in preparing reports in cases for trial; presents evidence and testifies in court as requested.
- Investigates and resolves problems with requests for services or complaints regarding police functions; conducts internal investigations of complaints from officers and/or the public; provides findings and recommendations to appropriate sworn management personnel.
- Prepares a variety of detailed and concise police reports related to crimes, investigations, traffic accidents, and assigned activities; maintains records and logs related to daily activities.
- Assists in investigations in specialized areas such as narcotics, missing persons, sexual abuse, mental health, murders, shootings, and deaths as assigned.
- > Operates and maintains a variety of specialized equipment such as law enforcement vehicles, firearms, handcuffs, leg restraints, batons, flashlights, radar, two-way radios, pepper spray, breathalyzers and sirens.
- ➤ Communicates with other law enforcement agencies, City personnel, and various outside organizations to exchange information, coordinate activities, and resolve issues or concerns; collaborates with other law enforcement agencies in the investigation of various crimes as appropriate.
- Administers first aid and rescue services at crime scenes, accidents, and other emergency situations as needed.
- > Performs other related duties as assigned.

## **Knowledge of:**

- > Principles and practices of employee supervision, including work planning, assignment review and evaluation, discipline, and the training of staff in work procedures.
- > Principles and practices of leadership.
- Law enforcement principles, practices, and techniques related to patrol, traffic enforcement, crime scene control and investigation, protection of life and property, and pursuit, apprehension, and transportation of suspects.
- > Applicable Federal, State, and local laws, regulatory codes, ordinances, procedures, and court decisions relevant to assigned area of responsibility.
- > Crime scene investigation, evidence collection and preservation practices, procedures and techniques.
- Rules of evidence regarding search and seizure, the preservation of evidence, and the chain of custody.
- Modern investigative methods including interviewing and interrogation techniques.
- Safety practices and equipment related to the work, including the safe use and proper care of firearms, chemical agents, and impact weapons.
- > First aid and CPR.
- > Safe operation of a motor vehicle in under patrol, high speed, and emergency conditions.

- > Record-keeping and report preparation techniques.
- > Techniques for providing a high level of customer service by effectively dealing with the public, vendors, contractors, and City staff.
- > The structure and content of the English language, including the meaning and spelling of words, rules of composition, and grammar.
- Modern equipment and communication tools used for business functions and program, project, and task coordination.
- > Computers and software programs (e.g., Microsoft software packages) to conduct, compile, and/or generate documentation.

#### **Ability to:**

- > Select and supervise staff, provide training and development opportunities, ensure work is performed effectively, and evaluate performance in an objective and positive manner.
- ➤ Observe and document incident details accurately; recall faces, names, descriptive characteristics, and facts of incidents and places.
- > Perform a variety of law enforcement activities including patrol functions and traffic regulation.
- Interpret, apply, and explain complex laws, codes, regulations, and ordinances.
- Prepare clear, accurate and grammatically correct reports, records, and other written materials.
- ➤ Identify and be responsive to community issues, concerns, and needs.
- Respond to crime and emergency scenes and take immediate and appropriate action.
- Take command while dealing with disorderly or emergency situations.
- > Investigate crimes and inspect crime scenes to identify and collect potential and actual evidence.
- > Operate specialized law enforcement equipment and vehicles in a safe and responsible manner.
- Maintain records and prepare clear and concise reports.
- ➤ Understand, interpret, and apply all pertinent laws, codes, regulations, policies and procedures, and standards relevant to work performed.
- > Speak effectively before groups.
- Effectively represent the department and the City in meetings with governmental agencies; community groups; various business, professional, and regulatory organizations; and in meetings with individuals.
- ➤ Learn and understand the organization and operation of the City and of outside agencies as necessary to assume assigned responsibilities.
- > Independently organize work, set priorities, meet critical deadlines, and follow-up on assignments.
- > Effectively use computer systems, software applications, and modern business equipment to perform a variety of work tasks.
- ➤ Communicate clearly and concisely, both orally and in writing, using appropriate English grammar and syntax.
- ➤ Use tact, initiative, prudence, and independent judgment within general policy, procedural, and legal guidelines.
- > Establish, maintain, and foster positive and effective working relationships with those contacted in the course of work.

#### **Education and Experience:**

Any combination of training and experience that would provide the required knowledge, skills, and abilities is qualifying. A typical way to obtain the required qualifications would be:

Equivalent to completion of the twelfth (12<sup>th</sup>) grade and three (3) years of increasingly responsible law enforcement experience as a sworn peace officer <u>-with a minimum of including at least</u> one (1) year of experience <u>equivalent to as a Police Corporal with the City of Tracy at the time of application</u>.

## **Licenses and Certifications:**

- Possession of, or the ability to obtain, a valid Class C California driver's license upon appointment.
- Possession of, or completed the requirements to obtain a valid Intermediate P.O.S.T. Certificate.
- ➤ Possession of a valid POST Advanced Certificate and POST Supervisory Certificate is desirable.
- > Possession of a valid CPR certification.
- May be required to complete National Incident Management System (NIMS) Training.

## PHYSICAL DEMANDS

Must maintain P.O.S.T. physical standards, including mobility, physical strength, and stamina to respond to emergency situations and pursue and apprehend suspects, and vision to maintain firearms qualification. Work is primarily performed in the field requiring frequent walking and running on uneven terrain, climbing and descending structures to access crime scenes, pursue suspects on foot, and identify problems or hazards, and operation of a motor vehicle to perform patrol and pursuit duties and to visit various City sites and locations. Finger dexterity is needed to access, enter, and retrieve data using a computer keyboard or calculator and to operate police services equipment. Positions in this classification frequently bend, stoop, kneel, reach, and climb to perform duties. Employees must possess the ability to lift, carry, push, and pull materials and objects necessary to perform job functions consistent with P.O.S.T. standards. Some duties of this classification are carried out in an office setting, and employees must possess mobility to work in a standard office setting and use standard office equipment, including a computer; and to read printed materials and a computer screen; and hearing and speech to communicate in person, before groups, and over the telephone or radio.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS**

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### **WORKING CONDITIONS**

Must pass a detailed background investigation. Must be willing to work extended shifts or be called back in emergency situations and work with exposure to difficult circumstances, including exposure to dangerous situations.

## DISASTER SERVICE WORKER

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ATTACHMENT O January April 20231

FLSA: Non-Exempt Class Code: 5305 Bargaining Unit: Teamsters

### SENIOR MAINTENANCE WORKER

### **DEFINITION**

Under general supervision, leads, trains, oversees, and participates in the more complex and difficult work of a crew responsible for providing construction, maintenance, and repair to assigned City infrastructure, including streets, structures, street signs and striping, traffic medians, parks, sports fields, and other City facilities and landscaped areas; sets priorities and directs the work of assigned staff on a project or day-to-day basis; performs routine to complex maintenance and repair work in an assigned area; provides technical and specialized assistance to the assigned management and supervisory staff; and performs related work as required.

## SUPERVISION RECEIVED AND EXERCISED

Receives general supervision. Exercises technical and functional direction over and provides training to lower-level staff.

## **CLASS CHARACTERISTICS**

This is the advanced journey-level in the Maintenance Worker class series that performs the most complex assignments required to ensure that City infrastructure, systems, and facilities are maintained in a safe and effective working condition and provide the highest level of safety for public use. Responsibilities include inspecting and attending to area of assignment, parks, sports fields, landscape, streets, aquatic and airport facilities, in a timely manner, and performing a wide variety of tasks in the maintenance and repair of assigned infrastructure, facilities, systems, and appurtenances. This class is distinguished from the Public Works-Supervisor in that the latter is the full supervisory-level class in the series responsible for organizing, assigning, supervising and reviewing the work of assigned staff involved in maintenance operations.

### **EXAMPLES OF TYPICAL JOB FUNCTIONS (Illustrative Only)**

Management reserves the right to add, modify, change or rescind the work assignments of different positions and to make reasonable accommodations so that qualified employees can perform the essential functions of the job.

- > Provides technical and functional direction to assigned maintenance staff; reviews and controls quality of work; ensures effective and efficient use of resources; assists in coordinating, overseeing and personally participating in all assigned maintenance programs.
- Plans, schedules, prioritizes, and assigns maintenance and repair work in consultation with a supervisor; communicates status of repairs to appropriate personnel, working cooperatively to schedule repairs in accordance with established and special operational priorities; instructs staff in work and safety procedures.
- > Trains employees in work methods, use of tools and equipment, and relevant safety precautions.
- Inspects assigned City infrastructure, facilities, systems, and appurtenances for maintenance needs and recommends appropriate actions; assists in developing work plans, procedures, and schedules.

- Estimates costs of construction and maintenance work, supplies, equipment, and materials; orders supplies and equipment for work projects; maintains records.
- ➤ Inspects and evaluates work in progress and upon completion to assure that repairs, maintenance, and project activities are performed in accordance with City standards and specifications.
- Performs a wide variety of maintenance, repair, and installation work in the City infrastructure, systems, and facilities to which assigned, including parks, sports fields, landscaping, streets, sidewalks, curbs and gutters, roadway base and sub-base, guard rails, asphalt pavement, crack seal application, concrete repair, traffic and street sign installation, repair, and reflectivity, pavement markings, aquatic and airport facilities.
- ➤ Interacts with engineers and contractors regarding compliance with City standards and specifications; reports, records, and documents inspections, observations, and conditions found during the inspection process.
- ➤ Performs the skilled operation of specialized construction and maintenance, light to heavy vehicles and equipment.
- > Observes safe work methods and makes appropriate use of related safety equipment as required; may participate and assist in coordinating safety training.
- Responds to requests and complaints from the public and answers questions or refers to supervisor, as necessary.
- Performs adjustments on equipment; maintains tools and equipment in working order.
- > Stays current on the status of new and pending regulatory legislation within area of assignment; attends continuing education courses and seminars as required.
- Maintains accurate records and logs of daily activities, using appropriate computer software applications.
- Responds to and performs emergency repairs and other emergency services as necessary.
- > Performs other duties as assigned.

## **Knowledge of:**

- > Basic principles of supervision and training.
- ➤ <u>Public worksOperations</u> maintenance principles, practices, tools, and materials for maintaining and repairing assigned City infrastructure, systems, and facilities.
- Applicable federal, state, and local laws, ordinances, regulations, and guidelines.
- > The operation and minor maintenance of a variety of hand and power tools, vehicles, and power equipment.
- > Safety equipment and practices related to the work, including the handling of hazardous materials.
- > Traffic control procedures and traffic sign regulations.
- > Basic hydraulics.
- > Basic mathematics.
- > Safe driving rules and practices.
- Modern office practices, methods, computer equipment and computer applications.
- English usage, spelling, vocabulary, grammar, and punctuation to effectively perform the work.
- ➤ Techniques for providing a high level of customer service by effectively dealing with the public, vendors, contractors, outside agencies and City staff.

## **Ability to:**

Plan, schedule, assign, and oversee activities of public works maintenance and repair personnel.

- Inspect the work of others and maintain established quality control standards.
- > Train others in proper and safe work procedures.
- ➤ Identify and implement effective course of action to complete assigned work.
- > Oversee and participate in maintenance and related projects in the assigned functional area(s).
- Perform construction, modification, maintenance, and repair work on assigned municipal infrastructure, facilities, systems, and/or appurtenances.
- > Operate specialized construction and maintenance, light to heavy vehicles and equipment.
- > Set up and operate traffic area construction zones, including cones, barricades, and flagging.
- > Troubleshoot maintenance problems and determine materials and supplies required for repair.
- Read and interpret construction drawings, blueprints, maps, and specifications.
- > Safely and effectively use and operate hand tools, mechanical equipment, power tools, and equipment required for the work; perform routine equipment maintenance.
- Maintain accurate logs, records, and basic written records of work performed.
- > Follow department policies and procedures related to assigned duties.
- > Give, as well as understand and follow oral and written instructions.
- Make accurate arithmetic calculations.
- Organize own work, set priorities, and meet critical deadlines.
- > Use English effectively to communicate in person, over the telephone, radio and in writing.
- > Use tact, initiative, prudence, and independent judgment within general policy, procedural, and legal guidelines.
- Establish, maintain, and foster positive and effective working relationships with those contacted in the course of work.
- Maintain integrity in all situations while performing duties and work representing the City.

## **Education and Experience:**

Any combination of training and experience that would provide the required knowledge, skills and abilities is qualifying. A typical way to obtain the required qualifications would be:

Equivalent to the completion of the twelfth (12<sup>th</sup>) grade, and three (3) years of experience in construction, maintenance, and/or repair within the assigned area, and/or related facilities, systems, and appurtenances, or at least two (2) years of experience equivalent to that of the Maintenance Worker II at the City of Tracy.

### **Licenses and Certifications:**

- Possess and maintain a valid California class C driver's license with the appropriate endorsements and a satisfactory driving record.
- > Depending on assignment may require possession and maintenance of a valid California class A driver's license with the appropriate endorsements.
- A Qualified Applicator's Certificate (QAC), Pest Control Advisor (PCA) certificate, and/or related applicator license from the State of California may be required.
- > Depending on assignment an Aquatics Facility Operation Certification (AFO) may be required.
- ➤ Depending on the assignment, a certification from the Sports Turf Managers Association as a Certified Sports Field Manager (CSFM) may be required.
- ➤ Depending on assignment, a Certified Playground Safety Inspector Certificate (CPSI) may be required.

#### PHYSICAL DEMANDS

Must possess mobility to work in the field; strength, stamina, and mobility to perform medium to heavy physical work, to work in confined spaces and around machines, to climb and descend ladders, to operate varied hand and power tools and construction equipment, and to operate a motor vehicle and visit various City sites; vision to read printed materials and a computer screen; and hearing and speech to communicate in person and over the telephone or radio. The job involves field work requiring frequent walking in operational areas to identify problems or hazards. Finger dexterity is needed to access, enter, and retrieve data using a computer keyboard or calculator and to operate above-mentioned tools and equipment. Positions in this classification bend, stoop, kneel, reach, and climb to perform work and inspect work sites. Employees must possess the ability to lift, carry, push and pull materials and objects weighing up to 100 pounds, or heavier weights with the use of proper equipment.

## ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS

Employees work in the field and are exposed to loud noise levels, cold and hot temperatures, inclement weather conditions, road hazards, vibration, confining workspace, chemicals, mechanical and/or electrical hazards, and hazardous physical substances and fumes. Employees may interact with challenging staff and/or public and private representatives and contractors in interpreting and enforcing departmental policies and procedures.

## **WORKING CONDITIONS**

May be required to be on-call and to work various shifts or emergencies on evenings, weekends, and holidays.

### DISASTER SERVICE WORKER

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FLSA: Exempt Class Code: 3403 Bargaining Unit: TMMBU

### UTILITY LINE MAINTENANCE SUPERINTENDENT

### **DEFINITION**

Under general direction, plans, organizes, oversees, coordinates, and manages the staff and operations in the Public Works-Department assigned to the Utility Lines Maintenance; manages and coordinates the installation, operation, maintenance, and repair of wastewater collection and water distribution systems including underground lines and related facilities; ensures that division operations and maintenance functions meet all applicable laws, regulations, and City policies; provides complex and responsible support to the <a href="Assistant">Assistant</a> Director of Public Works in areas of expertise; and performs related duties, as assigned.

### SUPERVISION RECEIVED AND EXERCISED

Receives general direction from assigned supervisory or management staff. Exercises general direction and supervision over assigned staff through subordinate levels of supervision.

### **CLASS CHARACTERISTICS**

This is a management classification responsible for planning, organizing, reviewing, and evaluating staff, operations, programs, projects, and activities of the Utility Lines Maintenance subdivision within the Public Works dDepartment. Responsibilities include developing and implementing policies and procedures for assigned programs, budget administration and reporting, and program evaluation. The incumbent is the designated Chief Distribution Operator as defined under the SWRCB certification regulations. Incumbents serve as a professional-level resource for organizational, managerial, and operational analyses and studies. Performance of the work requires the use of considerable independence, initiative, and discretion within established guidelines. This class is distinguished from the Assistant Director of Public Works in that the latter oversees all of the majority of public works operations and maintenance programs and projects of the Public Works Department assigned Division.

### **EXAMPLES OF TYPICAL JOB FUNCTIONS (Illustrative Only)**

Management reserves the right to add, modify, change, or rescind the work assignments of different positions and to make reasonable accommodations so that qualified employees can perform the essential functions of the job.

- ➤ Plans, manages, and oversees the daily functions, operations, and activities of the Utility Lines Maintenance—subdivision—within the Public Works Department.
- Ensures the City's water distribution and wastewater collections systems meet all water quality, safety and regulatory requirements; ensures compliance with CalOSHA and City standards.
- ➤ Participates in the development and implementation of goals, objectives, policies, and priorities for the division; recommends within division policy, appropriate service and staffing levels; recommends and administers policies and procedures.
- Participates in the development, administration, and oversight of operating and capital improvement program (CIP) budgets for the division; determines funding needed for staffing, equipment, materials

- and supplies; ensures compliance with budgeted funding.
- Develops and standardizes procedures and methods to improve and continuously monitor the efficiency and effectiveness of assigned programs, service delivery methods, and procedures; assesses and monitors workload, administrative, and support systems, and internal reporting relationships; identifies opportunities and makes recommendations for improvement.
- Participates in the selection of, trains, motivates, and evaluates assigned personnel; works with employees to correct deficiencies; recommends and implements discipline and termination procedures.
- ➤ Develops and manages requests for proposals for professional and/or contracted services; prepares scope of work and any technical specifications; evaluates proposals and recommends award; negotiates contracts; administers contracts to ensure compliance with City specifications and service quality.
- > Participates in developing and planning and manages preventative and long-term maintenance and safety programs.
- ➤ Reviews private development and capital improvement project plans and specifications for water distribution, wastewater collections systems, and storm drains prior to installation and construction to ensure designs meet all regulatory requirements, current and future system needs, and the City's goals and objectives.
- ➤ Implements, oversees, monitors, and evaluates the use and efficiency of computer systems utilized in division operations, including SCADA, CMMS, and GIS; coordinates with staff and other City divisions to maintain and update system settings and records; recommends and implements changes as needed.
- ➤ Participates in planning, prioritizing, scheduling, and constructing capital improvement and maintenance projects; reviews plans and specifications and recommends changes as appropriate to meet operational needs; oversees the work of contractors to ensure compliance with City standards.
- > Prepares and presents staff reports and other necessary correspondence related to assigned activities and services; presents reports to various commissions, committees, boards, and City Council.
- ➤ Conducts a variety of organizational and operational studies and investigations; recommends modifications to assigned programs, policies, and procedures, as appropriate.
- > Serves as a liaison for assigned functions with other City departments and outside agencies.
- Attends and participates in professional group meetings; stays abreast of new trends and innovations in the field of public works maintenance and operations; researches emerging products and enhancements and their applicability to City needs.
- Monitors changes in regulations and technology that may affect operations; implements policy and procedural changes after approval.
- Receives, investigates, and responds to difficult and sensitive problems and complaints in a professional manner; identifies and reports findings and takes necessary corrective action.
- > Performs other duties as assigned.

### **QUALIFICATIONS**

### **Knowledge of:**

- Administrative principles and practices, including goal setting, program development, implementation, and evaluation, project management, budget development and administration, and contract administration and management.
- ➤ Principles and practices of employee supervision, including work planning, assignment, review and evaluation, and the training of staff in work procedures.
- ➤ Principles and techniques for working with groups and fostering effective team interaction to ensure teamwork is conducted smoothly.
- > Principles and practices of the development, operation, maintenance, and management of wastewater collection, water distribution, and related facilities and appurtenances.
- Principles and techniques of private development, capital improvement, and asset management functions, including design, planning, construction, inspection, funding, and long-term maintenance.

- ➤ Applicable Federal and State laws, City, department, and division regulations, codes, policies, and procedures related to the operations and maintenance of water distribution and wastewater collections systems.
- ➤ Practices of researching program issues, evaluating alternatives, making sound recommendations, and preparing and presenting effective staff reports.
- > Intermediate mathematics and computer skills including SCADA operating systems.
- > Recordkeeping principles and procedures.
- > Techniques for providing a high level of customer service by effectively dealing with the public, vendors, contractors, and City staff.
- > The structure and content of the English language, including the meaning and spelling of words, rules of composition, and grammar.
- Modern equipment and communication tools used for business functions and program, project, and task coordination.
- > Computers and software programs (e.g., Microsoft software packages) to conduct, compile, and/or generate documentation.

### **Ability to:**

- > Select and supervise staff, provide training and development opportunities, ensure work is performed effectively, and evaluate performance in an objective and positive manner.
- > Provide administrative and professional leadership and direction for the division and the City.
- Prepare and administer large and complex budgets; allocate limited resources in a cost-effective manner.
- Analyze and interpret plans and specifications in accordance with design requirements and applicable standards and regulations.
- ➤ Independently conduct studies and research projects, evaluate alternatives, make sound recommendations, and prepare effective staff and technical reports; present technical information and data in an effective manner.
- > Prepare clear and concise reports, correspondence, policies, procedures, and other written materials.
- Research, analyze, and evaluate new service delivery methods, procedures, and techniques.
- ➤ Understand, interpret, and apply all pertinent laws, codes, regulations, policies and procedures, and standards relevant to work performed.
- Effectively represent the department and the City in meetings with individuals, governmental agencies; community groups; various business, professional, and regulatory organizations.
- ➤ Learn and understand the organization and operation of the City and of outside agencies as necessary to assume assigned responsibilities.
- ➤ Effectively use computer systems, software applications, and modern business equipment to perform a variety of work tasks.
- > Communicate clearly and concisely, both orally and in writing, using appropriate English grammar and syntax.
- ➤ Use tact, initiative, prudence, and independent judgment within general policy, procedural, and legal guidelines.
- Establish, maintain, and foster positive and effective working relationships with those contacted in the course of work.

### **Education and Experience:**

Any combination of training and experience that would provide the required knowledge, skills, and abilities is qualifying. A typical way to obtain the required qualifications would be:

Equivalent to a bachelor's degree in public administration, or a field closely related to the relevant assigned service area and three (3) years of increasingly responsible supervisory experience in water, storm drain,

and sewer maintenance or two (2) years of experience at a level equivalent to the City's Public WorksOperations-Supervisor assigned to Utility Lines Maintenance.

### **Licenses and Certifications:**

- Possession of, or the ability to obtain, a valid Class C California driver's license upon appointment.
- ➤ Possession of a valid California Department of Health Services Grade 4 Water Distribution Operator Certificate (Grade D-4) at time of application.
- ➤ Possession of a valid Grade III Wastewater Collection System Operator Certification issued by California Water Environment Association (CWEA) at time of application.
- > Possession of a valid Class B California driver's license with a tanker endorsement is desirable.
- May be required to complete National Incident Management System (NIMS) Training.

### PHYSICAL DEMANDS

Must possess mobility to work in a standard office setting and use standard office equipment; strength, stamina, and mobility to work in the field and perform medium to heavy physical work; to sit, stand, and walk on level, uneven, or slippery surfaces; frequently reach, twist, turn, kneel, bend, stoop, squat, crouch, grasp and make repetitive hand movement in the performance of daily duties; to climb and descend ladders, to operate varied hand and power tools and construction equipment, and to operate a motor vehicle and visit various City sites; and vision to inspect and operate equipment. The job involves fieldwork requiring frequent walking in operational areas to identify problems or hazards. Finger dexterity is needed to operate and repair tools and equipment. Employees must possess the ability to lift, carry, push, and pull materials and objects averaging a weight of 50 pounds or heavier weights, in all cases with the use of proper equipment and/or assistance from other staff.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS**

Employees work in an office environment and in the field and are exposed to loud noise levels, cold and hot temperatures, inclement weather conditions, road hazards, vibration, confining workspace, chemicals, mechanical and/or electrical hazards, and hazardous physical substances and fumes.

### **WORKING CONDITIONS**

Responds to emergency call-outs on weekends, holidays, and after work hours.

### **DISASTER SERVICE WORKER**

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FLSA: Non-Exempt CLASS CODE: 5411/5412

BARGAINING UNIT: TEAMSTERS

### UTILITY MECHANIC I/II

### **DEFINITION**

Under direct to general supervision, performs a variety of routine to complex duties in support of the Utilities—Department, including semiskilled and skilled work in the repair and maintenance of the City's water and wastewater treatment plants, wells, lift and booster stations, storm drain stations, and related mechanical, electrical, hydraulic, and pneumatic equipment; and performs related duties, as assigned.

### SUPERVISION RECEIVED AND EXERCISED

Receives direct (Utility Mechanic I) to general (Utility Mechanic II) supervision from assigned supervisory or management staff. Exercises no supervision over staff.

### **CLASS CHARACTERISTICS**

<u>Utility Mechanic I:</u> This is the entry-level classification in the Utility Mechanic series. Initially under close supervision, incumbents with basic mechanical maintenance experience learn City infrastructure, systems, operations, practices, and procedures. As experience is gained, assignments become more varied and are performed with greater independence. Assignments may vary with the skill and training of the incumbent. Positions at this level usually perform most of the duties required of the positions at the II-level but are not expected to function at the same skill level and usually exercise less independent discretion and judgment in matters related to work procedures and methods.

<u>Utility Mechanic II:</u> This is the journey-level classification in the Utility Mechanic series. Positions at this level are distinguished from the I-level by the performance of the full range of duties as assigned, working independently, and exercising judgment and initiative. Positions at this level receive only occasional instruction or assistance as new or unusual situations arise and are fully aware of the operating procedures and policies of the work unit. Work is normally reviewed upon completion and for overall results.

Positions in the Utility Mechanic class series are flexibly staffed and positions at the II-level are normally filled by advancement from the I-level after gaining the knowledge, skill, and experience which meet the qualifications for and after demonstrating the ability to perform the work of the higher-level class.

### **EXAMPLES OF TYPICAL JOB FUNCTIONS (Illustrative Only)**

Management reserves the right to add, modify, change, or rescind the work assignments of different positions and to make reasonable accommodations so that qualified employees can perform the essential functions of the job.

- ➤ Performs preventive maintenance on, repairs, and replaces equipment involved in the operation and support of water and wastewater treatment plants and related facilities, storm drain stations, lift and collection systems, and water booster stations; performs basic carpentry, and electrical duties as required.
- > Troubleshoots and diagnosis problems with industrial-type mechanical, electrical, hydraulic, and pneumatic equipment; recommends time, equipment, and materials required to effect repairs; reads and interprets blueprints, construction drawings, and mechanical drawings when troubleshooting breakdowns.

- > Troubleshoots, repairs, and maintains electrical and electronic systems that include a variety of equipment such as generators and motors.
- Maintains a regular inspection schedule of water and wastewater treatment systems and plant facilities; performs preventative maintenance tasks on pumping and electrical equipment and machinery.
- Maintains a variety of tools and equipment, including pipe cutters and threaders, welding equipment, and drills and grinders; tests equipment after repair; conducts safety lock and tag outs when using electrical equipment and other machinery.
- Performs routine to complex maintenance and repairs of pumps, motors, drive systems and chemical feeders; cleans and maintains the boilers and related equipment; cleans and checks valves, bubbling lines, regulators, compressors, and filters; calibrates feeder systems and other plant equipment such as meters, pumps, valves and samplers.
- Maintains accurate records and files of work performed and materials and supplies used; requisitions parts and supplies as needed.
- Attends training and safety sessions as assigned; observes safe work methods and makes appropriate use of related safety equipment as required.
- Maintains work areas in a clean and orderly condition, including securing equipment at the close of the workday.
- > Operates a variety of hand and power tools and equipment related to work assignment as instructed.
- > Performs other related duties as assigned.

### **QUALIFICATIONS**

Some knowledge, skills, and abilities may be performed by positions at the entry (I) level in a learning capacity:

### **Knowledge of:**

- ➤ Principles, practices, methods, equipment, tools, and materials used in the maintenance, ¬ and repair of facilities and equipment as found in water and wastewater treatment plant operations, storm drain stations, lift and collection systems, and water booster stations.
- Procedures, equipment, materials, and tools used in the operation, maintenance and repair of pneumatic systems, motors, engines, pumps, compressors, disinfection equipment, and other related equipment.
- > Practices and techniques related to basic carpentry and electrical work.
- > Principles of operation of City water production, treatment, wastewater and collection systems.
- Methods and techniques for operation, maintenance, and calibration of a wide variety of equipment, hand, shop, and power tools used in the work.
- > Principles and practices related to basic troubleshooting and repair estimation.
- Principles and practices related to basic crane operations.
- > Safe work methods and safety practices pertaining to the work, including CAL OSHA rules and standards.
- > Confined space entry procedures, and related safety equipment.
- Applicable federal, state, and local laws, codes, and ordinances relevant to the area of responsibility
- Recordkeeping principles and procedures.
- > Basic shop arithmetic.
- Techniques for providing a high level of customer service by effectively dealing with the public, vendors, contractors, and City staff.
- > The structure and content of the English language sufficient to perform the work assigned.
- Modern equipment and communication tools used for business functions and program, project, and task coordination.
- > Computers and software programs (e.g., Microsoft software packages) to conduct, compile, and/or generate documentation.

### Ability to:

- Perform a variety of semiskilled and skilled tasks in the maintenance and repair of City facilities and equipment related to water and wastewater treatment plant operations, storm drain stations, lift and collection systems, and water booster stations.
- Inspect, operate, diagnose problems and perform preventive maintenance and repair work on electric pumps, compressors, and power generation equipment.
- Read and interpret instruction manuals and diagrams.
- Accurately estimate time, materials, and supplies necessary to complete repairs.
- > Safely and effectively use and operate hand tools, mechanical equipment, power tools, and equipment required for the work.
- > Observe appropriate safety procedures and complies with applicable codes and guidelines.
- Maintain manual and automated logs, records, reports, and charts.
- > Organize, maintain, and update clear and accurate office database and records systems.
- Make basic arithmetic computations.
- > Perform work in confined spaces, following required confined space entry procedures.
- ➤ Understand, interpret, and apply all pertinent laws, codes, regulations, policies and procedures, and standards relevant to work performed.
- > Independently organize work, set priorities, meet critical deadlines, and follow-up on assignments.
- Effectively use computer systems, software applications, and modern business equipment to perform a variety of work tasks.
- > Communicate clearly and concisely, both orally and in writing.
- ➤ Use tact, initiative, prudence, and independent judgment within general policy, procedural, and legal guidelines.
- Establish, maintain, and foster positive and effective working relationships with those contacted in the course of work.

### **Education and Experience:**

Any combination of training and experience that would provide the required knowledge, skills, and abilities is qualifying. A typical way to obtain the required qualifications would be:

Equivalent to completion of the twelfth (12<sup>th</sup>) grade.

<u>Utility Mechanic I</u>: Two (2) years of experience in the maintenance and repair of mechanical and electrical machinery.

<u>Utility Mechanic II</u>: Three (3) years of experience in the maintenance and repair of mechanical and electrical machinery including one (1) year of experience in a Water or Wastewater Treatment Plant facility with specific knowledge of hydraulic pump repair.

### **Licenses and Certifications:**

- ➤ Possession of, or the ability to obtain, a valid Class C California driver's license upon appointment.
- May be required to complete National Incident Management System (NIMS) Training.

### **Utility Mechanic I:**

- ➤ Possession of California Water Environment Association Mechanical Technologist Grade I certification is required within two (2) years of employment.
- ➤ Possession of a Grade I Water Distribution Operator certificate issued by the State Water Resources Control Board is desirable.

### Utility Mechanic II:

- ➤ Possession of California Water Environment Association Mechanical Technologist Grade II certification is required at time of application.
- Possession of a Grade I Water Distribution Operator certificate issued by the State Water Resources Control Board is required at time of application.

### **PHYSICAL DEMANDS**

Must possess mobility to work in the field; strength, stamina, and mobility to perform medium to heavy physical work, to work in confined spaces and around machines, to climb and descend ladders, to operate varied hand and power tools, and to operate a motor vehicle and visit various City sites; vision to read printed materials and a computer screen; and hearing and speech to communicate in person and over the telephone or radio. The job involves fieldwork requiring frequent walking in operational areas to identify problems or hazards. Finger dexterity is needed to access, enter, and retrieve data using a computer keyboard or calculator and to operate above-mentioned tools and equipment. Positions in this classification bend, stoop, kneel, reach, and climb to perform work and inspect work sites. Employees must possess the ability to lift, carry, push, and pull materials and objects weighing up to 50 pounds, or heavier weights with the use of proper equipment and assistance from other staff.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS**

Employees work in the field and are exposed to loud noise levels, cold and hot temperatures, inclement weather conditions, road hazards, vibration, confining workspace, chemicals, mechanical and/or electrical hazards, and hazardous physical substances and fumes. Employees may interact with members of the public or with staff under emotionally stressful conditions while interpreting and enforcing departmental policies and procedures.

### **WORKING CONDITIONS**

N/A

### DISASTER SERVICE WORKER

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January April 20231 FLSA: Exempt

Class Code: 3422 Bargaining Unit: TMMBU

### WASTEWATER OPERATIONS SUPERINTENDENT

### **DEFINITION**

Under general direction, plans, organizes, oversees, coordinates, and manages the staff and operations in support of the City's wastewater treatment plant, including SCADA; oversees the operation of wastewater treatment plant equipment; ensures that wastewater operations functions meet all applicable laws, regulations, and City policies; provides complex and responsible support to the <a href="Utilities-Assistant">Utilities-Assistant</a> Director in areas of expertise; functions as liaison with intergovernmental and regulatory agencies related to operations of the treatment and collections systems: and performs related duties, as assigned.

### SUPERVISION RECEIVED AND EXERCISED

Receives general direction from assigned supervisory or management staff. Exercises direct and general supervision over assigned staff.

### **CLASS CHARACTERISTICS**

This is a management classification responsible for planning, organizing, reviewing, and evaluating staff, operations, programs, projects, and activities of the City's wastewater treatment plant. The incumbent is the designated Chief Plant Operator as defined under the California State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) certification regulations. Responsibilities include developing and implementing policies and procedures for assigned programs, budget administration and reporting, and program evaluation. Incumbents serve as a professional-level resource for organizational, managerial, and operational analyses and studies. Performance of the work requires the use of considerable independence, initiative, and discretion within established guidelines. This class is distinguished from the Utilities Assistant-Director in that the latter oversees all utilities operations and maintenance programs and projects of projects of the Utilities-Department.

### **EXAMPLES OF TYPICAL JOB FUNCTIONS (Illustrative Only)**

Management reserves the right to add, modify, change, or rescind the work assignments of different positions and to make reasonable accommodations so that qualified employees can perform the essential functions of the job.

- Plans, manages, and oversees the daily functions, operations, and activities of the wastewater treatment plant within the Utilities Department.
- Participates in the development and implementation of goals, objectives, policies, and priorities for the wastewater treatment plant; recommends within policy, appropriate service and staffing levels; recommends and administers policies and procedures.
- Participates in the development, administration, and oversight of operating and capital improvement program (CIP) budgets for the wastewater treatment plant; determines funding needed for staffing, equipment, materials and supplies; ensures compliance with budgeted funding.
- > Develops and standardizes procedures and methods to improve and continuously monitor the efficiency and effectiveness of assigned programs, service delivery methods, and procedures; assesses and monitors workload, administrative, and support systems, and internal reporting relationships; identifies opportunities and makes recommendations for improvement.
- Participates in the selection of, trains, motivates, and evaluates assigned personnel; works with employees to correct deficiencies; recommends and implements discipline and termination procedures.

- > Develops and manages requests for proposals for professional and/or contracted services; prepares scope of work and any technical specifications; evaluates proposals and recommends award; negotiates contracts; administers contracts to ensure compliance with City specifications and service quality.
- ➤ Participates in developing and planning and manages preventative and long-term maintenance and safety programs.
- > Serves as the City Representative for inspections and interaction with the California Regional Water Quality Control Board; compiles, reviews, and submits required reports to regulatory agencies.
- ➤ Performs periodic inspections of all phases of the wastewater treatment process to ensure balanced and proper operation of all systems; recommends alterations and changes in operating procedures as necessary.
- Exercises authority over wastewater treatment plant process control matters in accordance with direction provided from the <a href="Utilities-Assistant">Utilities-Assistant</a> Director.
- ➤ Prepares and presents staff reports and other necessary correspondence related to assigned activities and services; presents reports to various commissions, committees, boards, and City Council.
- > Conducts a variety of organizational and operational studies and investigations; recommends modifications to assigned programs, policies, and procedures, as appropriate.
- > Serves as a liaison for assigned functions with other City departments and outside agencies.
- Attends and participates in professional group meetings; stays abreast of new trends and innovations in the field of wastewater operations; researches emerging products and enhancements and their applicability to City needs.
- Monitors changes in regulations and technology that may affect operations; implements policy and procedural changes after approval.
- Receives, investigates, and responds to difficult and sensitive problems and complaints in a professional manner; identifies and reports findings and takes necessary corrective action.
- > Performs other related duties as assigned.

### **QUALIFICATIONS**

### **Knowledge of:**

- Administrative principles and practices, including goal setting, program development, implementation, and evaluation, project management, budget development and administration, and contract administration and management.
- > Principles and practices of employee supervision, including work planning, assignment, review and evaluation, and the training of staff in work procedures.
- > Principles and techniques for working with groups and fostering effective team interaction to ensure teamwork is conducted smoothly.
- > Principles, practices, equipment, material and tools used in the operation and cleaning, and preventive maintenance of wastewater treatment and disposal facilities and equipment.
- The operation of piping systems, including pipes, valves, and related appurtenances.
- > Basic standard chemical and physical tests of wastewater, sludge, and related materials.
- > Principles and techniques of capital improvement construction, inspection, and funding.
- Applicable Federal and State laws, City, department, and division regulations, codes, policies, and procedures related to the operations of the wastewater treatment plant.
- > Practices of researching program issues, evaluating alternatives, making sound recommendations, and preparing and presenting effective staff reports.
- > Intermediate mathematics and computer skills including SCADA operating systems.
- > Recordkeeping principles and procedures.
- Techniques for providing a high level of customer service by effectively dealing with the public, vendors, contractors, and City staff.
- > The structure and content of the English language, including the meaning and spelling of words, rules of composition, and grammar.

- Modern equipment and communication tools used for business functions and program, project, and task coordination.
- > Computers and software programs (e.g., Microsoft software packages) to conduct, compile, and/or generate documentation.

### **Ability to:**

- > Select and supervise staff, provide training and development opportunities, ensure work is performed effectively, and evaluate performance in an objective and positive manner.
- > Provide administrative and professional leadership and direction for the wastewater treatment plant and the City.
- > Prepare and administer large and complex budgets; allocate limited resources in a cost-effective manner
- Analyze and interpret plans and specifications in accordance with design requirements and applicable standards and regulations.
- ➤ Independently conduct studies and research projects, evaluate alternatives, make sound recommendations, and prepare effective staff and technical reports; present technical information and data in an effective manner.
- > Prepare clear and concise reports, correspondence, policies, procedures, and other written materials.
- Research, analyze, and evaluate new service delivery methods, procedures, and techniques.
- ➤ Understand, interpret, and apply all pertinent laws, codes, regulations, policies and procedures, and standards relevant to work performed.
- Effectively represent the department and the City in meetings with individuals, governmental agencies; community groups; various business, professional, and regulatory organizations.
- ➤ Learn and understand the organization and operation of the City and of outside agencies as necessary to assume assigned responsibilities.
- > Effectively use computer systems, software applications, and modern business equipment to perform a variety of work tasks.
- > Communicate clearly and concisely, both orally and in writing, using appropriate English grammar and syntax.
- > Use tact, initiative, prudence, and independent judgment within general policy, procedural, and legal guidelines.
- Establish, maintain, and foster positive and effective working relationships with those contacted in the course of work.

### **Education and Experience:**

Any combination of training and experience that would provide the required knowledge, skills, and abilities is qualifying. A typical way to obtain the required qualifications would be:

Equivalent to an associate degree in wastewater technology, laboratory, chemistry, or related field and six (6) years of increasingly responsible experience in wastewater treatment plant operations, including two (2) years of supervisory responsibility.

### **Licenses and Certifications:**

- Possession of, or the ability to obtain, a valid Class C California driver's license upon appointment.
- ➤ Possession and maintenance of a California State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator Grade V certification is required.
- May be required to complete National Incident Management System (NIMS) Training.

### **PHYSICAL DEMANDS**

Must possess mobility to work in standard wastewater treatment plant and related facilities; strength, stamina, and mobility to perform light to medium physical work, to work in confined spaces, around machines and to climb and descend ladders, and to operate varied hand and power tools and equipment; vision to read printed materials and a computer screen; color vision to read gauges and identify appurtenances; and hearing and speech to communicate in person and over the telephone or radio. The job involves frequent walking in operational areas to identify problems or hazards. Finger dexterity is needed to access, enter, and retrieve data using a computer keyboard or calculator and to operate above-mentioned tools and equipment. Positions in this classification bend, stoop, kneel, reach, and climb to perform work and inspect work sites. Employees must possess the ability to lift, carry, push, and pull materials and objects up to 100 pounds and heavier weights with the use of proper equipment.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS**

Employees work partially indoors and partially outdoors and are exposed to loud noise levels, cold and hot temperatures, inclement weather conditions, vibration, confining workspace, chemicals, mechanical and/or electrical hazards, and hazardous physical substances, odors, and fumes. Employees may interact with upset staff and/or public and private representatives in interpreting and enforcing departmental policies and procedures.

### **WORKING CONDITIONS**

Respond to emergencies on an on-call basis, 24 hours per day, 7 days per week.

### **DISASTER SERVICE WORKER**

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January April 20231
FLSA: Exempt
Class Code: 3421
Reggining Unit: TMMRU

**Bargaining Unit: TMMBU** 

### WATER OPERATIONS SUPERINTENDENT

### **DEFINITION**

Under general direction, plans, organizes, oversees, coordinates, and manages the staff and operations in support of the City's water treatment plant, including using coagulation, flocculation, sedimentation, filtration, disinfection, and chlorination to treat water; oversees the operation of the City well, water transmission, and pressure systems; oversees the operation and maintenance of water treatment plant equipment; ensures that water operations and maintenance functions meet all applicable laws, regulations, and City policies; functions as the liaison with intergovernmental and regulatory agencies related to operations of the treatment and distribution systems; provides complex and responsible support to the <a href="Assistant">Assistant</a> Director of Utilities—in areas of expertise; and performs related duties, as assigned.

### SUPERVISION RECEIVED AND EXERCISED

Receives general direction from assigned supervisory or management staff. Exercises direct and general supervision over assigned staff.

### **CLASS CHARACTERISTICS**

This is a management classification responsible for planning, organizing, reviewing, and evaluating staff, operations, programs, projects, and activities of the City's water treatment plant. The incumbent is the designated Chief Plant Operator as defined under the California State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) certification regulations. Responsibilities include developing and implementing policies and procedures for assigned programs, budget administration and reporting, and program evaluation. Incumbents serve as a professional-level resource for organizational, managerial, and operational analyses and studies. Performance of the work requires the use of considerable independence, initiative, and discretion within established guidelines. This class is distinguished from the Assistant Director of Utilities in that the latter oversees all utilities operations and maintenance programs and projects of the Utilities Department.

### **EXAMPLES OF TYPICAL JOB FUNCTIONS (Illustrative Only)**

Management reserves the right to add, modify, change, or rescind the work assignments of different positions and to make reasonable accommodations so that qualified employees can perform the essential functions of the job.

- Plans, manages, and oversees the daily functions, operations, and activities of the water treatment plant and the City well system within the <u>Utilities</u>-Department.
- Participates in the development and implementation of goals, objectives, policies, and priorities for the water treatment plant; recommends within policy, appropriate service and staffing levels; recommends and administers policies and procedures.
- ➤ Participates in the development, administration, and oversight of operating and capital improvement program (CIP) budgets for the water treatment plant; determines funding needed for staffing, equipment, materials and supplies; ensures compliance with budgeted funding.
- ➤ Develops and standardizes procedures and methods to improve and continuously monitor the efficiency and effectiveness of assigned programs, service delivery methods, and procedures; assesses and monitors workload, administrative, and support systems, and internal reporting relationships; identifies

- opportunities and makes recommendations for improvement.
- Participates in the selection of, trains, motivates, and evaluates assigned personnel; works with employees to correct deficiencies; recommends and implements discipline and termination procedures.
- Develops and manages requests for proposals for professional and/or contracted services; prepares scope of work and any technical specifications; evaluates proposals and recommends award; negotiates contracts; administers contracts to ensure compliance with City specifications and service quality.
- > Participates in developing and planning and manages preventative and long-term maintenance and safety programs.
- > Serves as the City representative for inspections and interaction with the California State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB); compiles, reviews, and submits required reports to regulatory agencies.
- > Performs periodic inspections of all phases of the water treatment process to ensure balanced and proper operation of all systems; recommends alterations and changes in operating procedures as necessary.
- Exercises authority over water treatment plant process control matters in accordance with direction provided from the <u>Assistant Director of Utilities</u>.
- Functions as a liaison and coordinates the provision of treated potable water from the South San Joaquin Irrigation District's Water Treatment Plant and of untreated water from the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation via the Delta-Mendota Canal.
- > Prepares and presents staff reports and other necessary correspondence related to assigned activities and services; presents reports to various commissions, committees, boards, and City Council.
- > Conducts a variety of organizational and operational studies and investigations; recommends modifications to assigned programs, policies, and procedures, as appropriate.
- > Serves as a liaison for assigned functions with other City departments and outside agencies including the SWRCB.
- Attends and participates in professional group meetings; stays abreast of new trends and innovations in the field of water maintenance and operations; researches emerging products and enhancements and their applicability to City needs.
- Monitors changes in regulations and technology that may affect operations; implements policy and procedural changes after approval.
- Receives, investigates, and responds to difficult and sensitive problems and complaints in a professional manner; identifies and reports findings and takes necessary corrective action.
- > Performs other related duties as assigned.

### **QUALIFICATIONS**

### **Knowledge of:**

- Administrative principles and practices, including goal setting, program development, implementation, and evaluation, project management, budget development and administration, and contract administration and management.
- > Principles and practices of employee supervision, including work planning, assignment, review and evaluation, and the training of staff in work procedures.
- > Principles and techniques for working with groups and fostering effective team interaction to ensure teamwork is conducted smoothly.
- Principles, practices, equipment, material and tools used in the operation, cleaning, and preventive maintenance of water treatment and equipment.
- ➤ The operation and preventive maintenance of piping systems, including pipes, valves, and related appurtenances.
- > Standard chemical and physical tests of water and related materials.
- ➤ Principles and techniques of capital improvement construction, inspection, funding, and long-term maintenance.
- > Applicable Federal and State laws, City, department, and division regulations, codes, policies, and

- procedures related to the operations and maintenance of the water treatment plant.
- > Practices of researching program issues, evaluating alternatives, making sound recommendations, and preparing and presenting effective staff reports.
- Intermediate mathematics and computer skills including SCADA operating systems.
- > Recordkeeping principles and procedures.
- > Techniques for providing a high level of customer service by effectively dealing with the public, vendors, contractors, and City staff.
- > The structure and content of the English language, including the meaning and spelling of words, rules of composition, and grammar.
- Modern equipment and communication tools used for business functions and program, project, and task coordination.
- > Computers and software programs (e.g., Microsoft software packages) to conduct, compile, and/or generate documentation.

### Ability to:

- > Select and supervise staff, provide training and development opportunities, ensure work is performed effectively, and evaluate performance in an objective and positive manner.
- > Provide administrative and professional leadership and direction for the water treatment plant and the City.
- > Prepare and administer large and complex budgets; allocate limited resources in a cost-effective manner.
- Analyze and interpret plans and specifications in accordance with design requirements and applicable standards and regulations.
- Independently conduct studies and research projects, evaluate alternatives, make sound recommendations, and present technical information and data in an effective manner.
- Prepare clear and concise reports, correspondence, policies, procedures, and other written materials.
- Research, analyze, and evaluate new service delivery methods, procedures, and techniques.
- ➤ Understand, interpret, and apply all pertinent laws, codes, regulations, policies and procedures, and standards relevant to work performed.
- Effectively represent the department and the City in meetings with individuals, governmental agencies; community groups; various business, professional, and regulatory organizations.
- Effectively use computer systems, software applications, and modern business equipment to perform a variety of work tasks.
- > Communicate clearly and concisely, both orally and in writing, using appropriate English grammar and syntax.
- ➤ Use tact, initiative, prudence, and independent judgment within general policy, procedural, and legal guidelines.
- Establish, maintain, and foster positive and effective working relationships with those contacted in the course of work.

### **Education and Experience:**

Any combination of training and experience that would provide the required knowledge, skills, and abilities is qualifying. A typical way to obtain the required qualifications would be:

Equivalent to an associate degree and five (5) years of increasingly responsible experience in water treatment plant operations, including two (2) years of supervisory responsibility. A bachelor's degree is highly desirable.

### **Licenses and Certifications:**

> Possession of, or the ability to obtain, a valid Class C California driver's license upon appointment.

- ➤ Possession and maintenance of a California SWRCB Water Treatment Plant Operator Grade V certification is required.
- ➤ Possession and maintenance of a California SWRCB Water Distribution Grade I certification is required at time of application.
- May be required to complete National Incident Management System (NIMS) Training.

### PHYSICAL DEMANDS

Must possess mobility to work in standard water treatment plant and related facilities; strength, stamina, and mobility to perform light to medium physical work, around machines and to climb and descend ladders, and to operate varied hand and power tools and equipment; vision to read printed materials and a computer screen; color vision to read gauges and identify appurtenances; and hearing and speech to communicate in person and over the telephone or radio. The job involves frequent walking in operational areas to identify problems or hazards. Finger dexterity is needed to access, enter, and retrieve data using a computer keyboard or calculator and to operate above-mentioned tools and equipment. Positions in this classification bend, stoop, kneel, reach, and climb to perform work and inspect work sites. Employees must possess the ability to lift, carry, push, and pull materials and objects up to 100 pounds and heavier weights with the use of proper equipment.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS**

Employees work partially indoors and partially outdoors and are exposed to loud noise levels, cold and hot temperatures, inclement weather conditions, vibration, chemicals, mechanical and/or electrical hazards, and hazardous physical substances, odors, and fumes. Employees may interact with upset staff and/or public and private representatives in interpreting and enforcing departmental policies and procedures.

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### TRACY CITY COUNCIL

<b>RESOLUTION</b>	NO.	

AUTHORIZING 1) AMENDMENTS TO THE CITY'S CLASSIFICATION AND COMPENSATION PLANS AND MASTER SALARY SCHEDULE TO ADD THE CLASSIFICATION OF FINANCIAL ANALYST I/II AND INCREASE THE BIWEEKLY SALARY RANGE FOR THE PARKS PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT MANAGER FROM \$3,968.44 - \$4,823.67 to \$4,365.28 - \$5,306.04, 2) AMENDMENTS TO SEVERAL EXISTING CLASSIFICATIONS TO REFLECT MODIFICATIONS TO JOB DUTIES; AND 3) REALLOCATION OF A CURRENT MANAGEMENT ANALYST I/II IN THE FINANCE DEPARTMENT TO A FINANCIAL ANALYST I/II, EFFECTIVE FISCAL YEAR 2022-2023

**WHEREAS**, the City has established Classification and Compensation Plans and Master Salary Schedule detailing all job classifications and salary ranges; and

**WHEREAS**, periodically, the Human Resources Department receives requests to review existing classification specifications or to develop new classification specifications in order to allow for changes that have occurred in areas such as job responsibilities, organizational structure, education, experience, and/or service needs; and

**WHEREAS**, to reflect the current organizational structured approved in the FY 22/23 budget, revisions were made to existing classifications related to the merge of Public Works and Utilities Departments; and

**WHEREAS**, staff recommends other minor classification updates as a result of changes to duties and responsibilities; and

**WHEREAS**, to support citywide purchasing and procurement needs, staff recommends the creation of the Financial Analyst I/II classification and reallocation of an existing Management Analyst I/II classification; and

**WHEREAS,** to reflect supervision of professional staff, increased budgetary responsibilities and minimum qualification updates, staff also recommends a salary increase for the Parks, Planning and Development Manager position, which increase is reflected in the Proposed Master Salary Schedule, shown in <u>Attachment A (Proposed Master Salary Schedule)</u>; and

**WHEREAS**, the Public Employees' Retirement Law governs the California Public Employees Retirement System (CalPERS) codified in Title 2 of the California Code of Regulations. Section 570.5 of the California Code of Regulations requires the City Council to approve the rate of pay or classification titles in a publicly available pay schedule for employees who are members of CalPERS; and

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WHEREAS, State law also requires that the City Council approve a Master Salary Schedule reflecting the salaries of all personnel; and
<b>WHEREAS</b> , the City's Position Control Roster reflects the funded positions approved in the FY 2022-23 budget and may be amended by a resolution of the City Council; now therefore be it
<b>RESOLVED</b> : That the City Council of the City of Tracy hereby finds and determines that the foregoing recitals are true and correct and are hereby incorporated herein as findings and determinations of the City; and be it further
<b>RESOLVED:</b> That the City Council hereby authorizes amendments to the City's Classification and Compensation Plans and Master Salary Schedule, as set forth in the Proposed Master Salary Scheduled shown in <u>Attachment A</u> ; and be it further
<b>RESOLVED:</b> That the City Council authorizes amendments to the existing classifications reflected in the Proposed Master Salary Schedule, to reflect modifications to job duties; and be it further
<b>RESOLVED:</b> That the City Council hereby authorizes the reallocation of a current Management Analyst I/II in the Finance Department to a Financial Analyst I/II, effective Fiscal Year 2022-2023; and be it further
<b>RESOLVED:</b> That the <u>Proposed Master Salary Schedule</u> shall become effective April 18, 2023.
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The foregoing Resolution 2023 was adopted by the Tracy City Council on April 18, 2023 by the following vote:
AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: NOES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBERS: ABSTENTION: COUNCIL MEMBERS:
NANCY D. YOUNG Mayor of the City of Tracy, California

ATTEST:
ADRIANNE RICHARDSON
City Clerk and Clerk of the Council of the
City of Tracy, California

### **RECOMMENDATION**

Staff recommends that the City Council adopt a resolution approving Amendment No. 2 to the Professional Services Agreement with Mark Thomas and Company, Inc. to (1) augment the scope for the Project Approval, Environmental Document, and Plans, Specifications and Estimates for Modification of I-205 and I-580/Mountain House Existing Interchanges, CIP Nos. 73146 and 73147, and (2) increase the contract amount by an additional \$1,493,855 for a new total not-to-exceed amount of \$6,181,579.

### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

This agenda item, with City Council approval, would approve Amendment No. 2 to the Professional Services Agreement (PSA) with Mark Thomas and Company, Inc. for Professional Engineering Services for the Project Approval (PA), Environmental Document (ED), and Plans, Specifications and Estimates (PS&E) for Modification of I-205 and I-580/Mountain House Existing Interchanges, CIP Nos. 73146 and 73147, to augment the scope of services, and increase compensation by an additional \$1,493,855 for a new not-to-exceed total contract amount of \$6,181,579.

### BACKGROUND AND LEGISLATIVE HISTORY

On October 16, 2018, the Tracy City Council adopted Resolution No. 2018-216 approving a PSA with Mark Thomas and Company, Inc. (Mark Thomas or Consultant) for Professional Engineering Services for the Project Approval (PA), Environmental Document (ED), and Plans, Specifications and Estimates (PS&E) for Modification of I-205 and I-580/Mountain House Existing Interchanges for a total contract amount of \$4,298,036, under CIPs 73146 and 73147.

Contract Amendment No.1 was for the re-design of the I-580 east bound ramps to avoid the 20-inch Crimson Oil line identified during the PS&E phase, which was approved by the City Council and executed on June 7, 2022, under Resolution No. 2022-072. Amendment No. 1 increased the contract total to \$4,687,724 from \$4,298,036.

The PSA requires that for the I-580/Mountain House interchange, Mark Thomas will complete the technical reports required for the PA&ED phase and deliver the final plans, specifications, and estimates (PS&E). Generally, this includes project management, topographic surveying and base mapping, environmental and project approvals preliminary and final engineering, right-of-way engineering, bidding, and construction services. Mark Thomas will also coordinate all design submittals and QA/QC for the project design. Mark Thomas will serve as the central coordinator for all activities between the consulting team, California Department of Transportation (Caltrans), City staff, and other regulatory agencies.

For the I-205/Mountain House interchange, Mark Thomas will complete the engineering and environmental technical reports required for completion of the Project Approval & Environmental Document (PA&ED) phase. Generally, this includes project management, topographic surveying and base mapping, geometric design, right-of-way & utilities evaluation, environmental analysis, public outreach, and project approvals. Mark Thomas will also coordinate all project submittals and perform QA/QC services for the deliverables. Mark Thomas will serve as the central

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coordinator for all activities between the consulting team, Caltrans, Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), City staff, County staff, and other regulatory agencies.

### ANALYSIS

The PA&ED Phase of I-205/Mountain House Interchange is now complete with the Project Report (PR) approval on April 15, 2022.

The I-580/Mountain House Interchange is now reaching completion in design and the project is getting ready for achieving the ready to list (RTL) status with Caltrans by April 21, 2023. The RTL status allows the project to be authorized for construction and it is anticipated that the I-580 /Mountain House Interchange will be ready for bid for construction by September 2023.

The principle focus of Amendment No.1 was the redesign of the eastbound on/off-ramps realignment on I-580/Mountain House interchange to avoid the \$7 million cost of relocating the existing 20-inch Crimson Oil Line. Moving forward with that interchange redesign effort necessitated additional detailed property impact analysis, property access evaluation, concept development, and PS&E revision through extended coordination with key project stakeholders including City of Tracy, Caltrans, FHWA, County of San Joaquin, Crimson Oil, DWR (Department of Water Resources), PG&E (Pacific Gas & Electric Company), AT&T, Lumen/Zayo and private business/property owners.

The development of a final interchange design acceptable to all stakeholders required extensive engineering and environmental services beyond the original concept of the eastbound ramps' realignment design that was envisioned with Amendment No.1. Additionally, in December 2022, Caltrans Design Group initiated additional geometric changes to the eastbound on-ramp triggering all civil and structural design plans to be revised within the southeast quadrant of the interchange. In November 2022, Caltrans issued implementation requirements for all project PS&E to comply with newly issued 2022 Caltrans Standard Plans and Specifications.

The City requested a proposal from the Consultant for the time and materials that was required to complete the additional tasks. On February 9, 2023, the Consultant submitted its proposal to the City. After negotiations between the City and Consultant, the parties have reached an agreement for the performance of these additional services for a not-to-exceed amount of \$1,493,855.

### FISCAL IMPACT

The PSA with Mark Thomas and Company, Inc. for Professional Engineering Services for the Project Approval (PA), Environmental Document (ED), and Plans, Specifications and Estimates (PS&E) for Modification of I-205 and I-580/Mountain House Existing Interchanges is budgeted under two approved Capital Improvement Projects, CIP 73146 and CIP 73147, with sufficient funds available for the Amendment No. 2 to the PSA in the not-to-exceed total contract amount of \$6,181,579.

### PUBLIC OUTREACH / INTEREST

Caltrans and the City of Tracy circulated the draft Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) for public comment and review on July 1, 2020. An opportunity for a public meeting

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was offered, but none was requested. All written comments received were addressed in the final IS/MND and in the Categorical Exclusion, a National Environmental Protection Act (NEPA), the federal requirement. The Resolutions of Necessity (RONs) hearing for the required property acquisitions for the project was conducted by City Council on February 21, 2023.

### COORDINATION

The City's Engineering Division coordinated with several stakeholders including Caltrans, San Joaquin County, San Joaquin Council of Governments (SJCOG), FHWA, California Public Utility Commission, public and private utility companies.

### CEQA DETERMINATION

The Final IS/MND (CEQA Approval) and CE (NEPA Approval) for both I-205 and I-580/Mountain House Projects was obtained on February 25, 2021.

### STRATEGIC PLAN

This agenda item supports the City of Tracy's Quality of Life Strategic Priority, which is to provide an outstanding quality of life by enhancing the City's amenities, business mix and services and cultivating connections to promote positive change and progress in our community.

### ACTION REQUESTED OF THE CITY COUNCIL

Staff recommends that the City Council adopt a resolution approving Amendment No. 2 to the Professional Services Agreement with Mark Thomas and Company, Inc. to (1) augment the scope for the Project Approval, Environmental Document, and Plans, Specifications and Estimates for Modification of I-205 and I-580/Mountain House Existing Interchanges, CIP Nos. 73146 and 73147, and (2) increase the contract amount by an additional \$1,493,855 for a new total not-to-exceed amount of \$6,181,579.

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Reviewed by: Koosun Kim, PE, City Engineer / Assistant Director of Development Services

Jaylen French, Development Services Director

Sara Cowell, Finance Director

Karin Schnaider, Assistant City Manager Riana Daniel, Deputy City Attorney

Approved by: Midori Lichtwardt, Acting City Manager

### ATTACHMENTS

Attachment A – Amendment No. 2 to PSA with Mark Thomas & Company, Inc.

# CITY OF TRACY AMENDMENT NO. 2 TO PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT FOR

PROJECT APPROVAL (PA), ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT (ED), AND PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS AND ESTIMATES (PS&E) FOR MODIFICATION OF I-205 AND I-580 / MT. HOUSE EXISTING INTERCHANGES CIP NOS. 73146 & 73147

This Amendment No. 2 (**Amendment**) to the Professional Service Agreement for the Modification of I-205 and I-580 / Mt. House Existing Interchanges is entered into between the City of Tracy, a municipal corporation (**City**), and Mark Thomas and Company, Inc. City and Consultant are referred to individually as "**Party**" and collectively as "**Parties**."

### **Recitals**

- **A.** The City and Consultant entered into a Professional Service Agreement (**Agreement**) for the Modification of I-205 and I-580 / Mt. House Existing Interchanges in the amount not to exceed \$4,298,036, which was approved by the City Council on October 16, 2018, under Resolution No. 2018-216.
- **B.** Amendment No. 1 to the Agreement, approved by City Council on June 7, 2022, under Resolution No. 2022-072, increased the total compensation under the Agreement to an amount not to exceed \$4,687,724.
- C. An additional amendment to the Agreement is required to increase compensation for the engineering, right of way, and environmental tasks stated in the original Agreement to address changes in the project delivery work program as related to the revision and final design of the I-580 / Mt. House Interchange. The development of a final interchange design acceptable to all stakeholders required extensive engineering and environmental services beyond the original concept of the eastbound ramps' realignment design and triggered revision to all civil and structural design plans within the southeast quadrant of the interchange. The terms and requirements stated in the original Agreement remain in full force and effort.

D.	This Amendment is	s being	executed	pursuant to	o Resolution	No	approved by	Tracy	City
	Council on	, 2023.							

### Now therefore, the Parties mutually agree as follows:

- 1. Incorporation by Reference. This Amendment incorporates by reference all terms set forth in the Agreement, unless specifically modified by this Amendment. The terms which are not specifically modified by this Amendment will remain in effect.
- 2. Terms of Amendment.

### A. 5. COMPENSATION

The following language shall replace and supersede the language of section 5.1:

"For services performed by CONSULTANT in accordance with this Agreement, CITY shall pay CONSULTANT on a time and expense basis, at the billing rates set forth in Exhibits "B," attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference. CONSULTANT's billing rates shall cover all costs and expenses of every kind and nature for CONSULTANT's performance of this Agreement. CONSULTANT's compensation for this Agreement is Not To Exceed \$6,181,579. No work shall be performed by CONSULTANT in excess of the Not To Exceed amount without the prior written approval of the CITY.

### **B. 1. SCOPE OF SERVICES**

The following language shall be added to this section:

"For services performed pursuant to Exhibit A-2, City shall pay Consultant a not-to-exceed amount of \$1,493,855 at the billing rates set forth in Exhibit B-2."

### C. Exhibits

Exhibit A-2 "Scope of Services," attached hereto shall supplement Exhibits "A" and "A-1" of the Agreement. Consultant is responsible for completing all tasks identified in Exhibits "A," "A-1," and "A-2."

- **3. Modifications.** This Amendment may not be modified orally or in any manner other than by an agreement in writing signed by both parties, in accordance with the requirements of the Agreement.
- **4. Severability.** If any term of this Amendment is held invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the Amendment shall be construed as not containing that term, and the remainder of this Amendment shall remain in effect.
- **5. Signatures.** The individuals executing this Amendment represent and warrant that they have the right, power, legal capacity and authority to enter into and to execute this Amendment. This Amendment shall inure to the benefit of and be binding upon the parties and their respective successors and assigns.

The Parties agree to the full performance of the terms set forth here.

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Ву:		Ву:	Jackary Siviglia
Title: M Date:			President Mar 30, 2023
Attest:			
By:	drianne Richardson, City Clerk	Ву:	Matt Brogan (Mar 30, 2023 09:37 PDT)
	• •		Secretary Mar 30, 2023
Approve	ed as to form		
By: <u> </u>	ijal M. Patel, City Attorney		

### **EXHIBIT A-2 – Additional Services Amendment Summary:**

- 1. **PROJECT MANAGEMENT/MEETINGS**: Due to the complexity of the project and the constrained schedule, additional project management activities and weekly meetings are required to effectively manage the project delivery process.
- 2. **QUALITY CONTROL/CONSTRUCT REVIEWS**: Added quality control reviews for design revisions to the project PS&E and performance of a constructability review.
- 3. **SUPPLEMENTAL PROJECT REPORT/DSDD:** Revisions necessitated by additional changes to EB on-ramp Design.
- 4. **RECORD RESEARCH & MONUMENT SEARCH**: Additional record research & monument search services necessary as a result of changes in project footprint and additional affected parcels.
- 5. **ROADWAY DRAINAGE REPORT/STORM WATER DRAINAGE REPORT**: Final report updates to minimize right of way acquisition and changes in the Patterson Pass Road design.
- 6. **APPRAISAL MAPPING/LEGAL DESCRIPTIONS & PLATS:** Additional right-of-way engineering services required for changes in acquisition requirements through coordination with parcel owners.
- 7. **FINAL UTILITY COORDINATION:** Additional utility coordination requirements required for changes in facility relocations through coordination with utility owners.
- 8. ROADWAY PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS & ESTIMATE (PS&E): Caltrans Design required additional revisions to the eastbound on-ramp design based upon new reviews and geometric preferences. Updating of project plans to meet newly implemented 2022 Caltrans Standard Plans and Specifications. Revisions to the project design involving 150 plan sheets, specifications and estimates necessitated through design review and coordination with Caltrans, FHWA, County, Property Owners, and Utility Owners. Services include revisions to roadway layouts/profiles, pavement delineation, drainage, grading, stage construction, utilities, signal/lighting design, erosion control, retaining wall design, and quantities.
- 9. **STRUCTURE DESIGN/INDEPENDENT CHECK:** Changes to the project design requiring revisions to the structures PS&E including new retaining walls and associated details. Revision to bridge widening foundation design. Additional independent check requirements for nonstandard retaining wall along eastbound off-ramp retaining wall.
- 10. **ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION/TECHNICAL STUDIES:** Engineering coordination to assist in the preparation of Environmental Revalidation and supplemental technical studies.

- 11. **GEOTECHNICAL/FOUNDATION REPORTS:** Preparation of a Foundation Report for a nonstandard retaining wall along the eastbound off-ramp.
- 12. **PALEONTOLOGICAL STUDIES:** Environmental services required to complete paleontological studies and plans to satisfy avoidance, minimization, and mitigation measures. Includes preparation of a combined Paleontological Evaluation Report (PER)/preliminary Paleontological Monitoring Plan (pPMP).
- 13. **DWR POTHOLING & SURVEY:** DWR required that unground facilities within their right of way be positively located with (3) potholes and locations surveyed.
- 14. **PREPARATION OF STAFF REPORTS/RESOLUTIONS:** Preparation of staff reports and resolutions for various documents.

### **EXHIBIT B2- Compensation**

### COST PROPOSAL FOR PROJECT SCOPE: Tracy I-205/I-580 Mountain House Interchanges (CIP #73146 & #73147)

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MARK THOMAS	Principal	Engineering Manager	S85 Sr. Technical Lead	Cochnical Lead	\$175. Project Engineer	Salva Project Engineer	\$157 Design Engineer II	\$155 6 Design Engineer I	Sr. Survey Manager	Sr. Project Surveyor	Sr. Surveyor	\$ Survey Technician	\$ 2 Person Field Crew	Total Hours	Total MT Cost	GEOCON	ICE	TOTAL COST
200 MOUNTAIN HOUSE I-580																		
		96	96											192	\$59,808			\$59,808
001 Project Management 002 Caltrans PDT Meetings	1	24												72		+	-	\$59,808
003 QA/QC		24	120											460	. ,			\$122,740
015 Fact Sheets for Design Exceptions	<del>                                     </del>	12												36	. ,			\$10,584
017 Prepare Project Report		12												36	1 -/	-		\$10,584
018 Control & Supplemental Topographic Survey		12	12	12							0	0		24				\$4,936
019 Record Research & Monument Search	<u> </u>								60	60		40	20	180	Ŧ ·,	+		\$41,000
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023 Storm Water Data Report					36		50							86		+		\$15,554
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### TRACY CITY COUNCIL

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APPROVING AMENDMENT NO. 2 TO THE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH MARK THOMAS AND COMPANY, INC. TO (1) AUGMENT THE SCOPE FOR THE PROJECT APPROVAL, ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT, AND PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS AND ESTIMATES FOR MODIFICATION OF I-205 AND I-580/MOUNTAIN HOUSE EXISTING INTERCHANGES, CIP NOS. 73146 AND 73147, AND (2) INCREASE THE CONTRACT AMOUNT BY AN ADDITIONAL \$1,493,855 FOR A NEW TOTAL NOT-TO-EXCEED AMOUNT OF \$6,181,579

WHEREAS, on October 16, 2018, Resolution No. 2018-216 was adopted by the Tracy City Council approving a Professional Services Agreement (PSA) with Mark Thomas and Company, Inc. for Professional Engineering Services for the Project Approval (PA), Environmental Document (ED), and Plans, Specifications and Estimates (PS&E) for Modification of I-205 and I-580/Mountain House Existing Interchanges for a total contract amount of \$4,298,036; and

**WHEREAS**, Amendment No.1 to the PSA was executed on June 7, 2022 under Resolution No. 2022-072 for the re-design of the I-580 eastbound ramps to avoid the 20" Crimson Oil line identified during the PS&E phase, which increased the total compensation to \$4,687,724; and

**WHEREAS**, the PSA requires that for the I-580/Mountain House interchange, Mark Thomas will complete the technical reports required for the PA and ED phase and deliver the final plans, specifications, and estimates; and

**WHEREAS**, for the I-205/Mountain House interchange, Mark Thomas will complete the engineering and environmental technical reports required for completion of the Project Approval & Environmental Document (PA&ED) phase; and

**WHEREAS**, the PA&ED Phase of I-205/Mountain House Interchange is now complete with the Project Report (PR) Approval on April 15, 2022; and

**WHEREAS**, the I-580/Mountain House Interchange is now reaching completion in design and the project is getting ready for achieving the ready to list (RTL) status with Caltrans by April 21, 2023; and

**WHEREAS**, the I-580/Mountain House Interchange is anticipated to be ready for bid for construction by September 2023; and

**WHEREAS**, moving forward with that interchange redesign effort necessitated additional detailed property impact analysis, property access evaluation, concept development, and PS&E revision through extended coordination with key project stakeholders including the City of Tracy,

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Caltrans, FHWA, County of San Joaquin, Crimson Oil, DWR, PG&E, AT&T, Lumen/Zayo and private business/property owners, and the development of a final interchange design acceptable to all stakeholders required extensive engineering and environmental services beyond the original concept of the eastbound ramps' realignment design that was envisioned with Amendment No 1; and

**WHEREAS**, additionally, in December 2022, Caltrans Design Group initiated additional geometric changes to the eastbound on-ramp triggering all civil and structural design plans to be revised within the southeast quadrant of the interchange and in November 2022, Caltrans issued implementation requirements for all project PS&E to comply with newly issued 2022 Caltrans Standard Plans and Specifications; and

**WHEREAS**, the City requested a proposal from the Consultant for the time and materials that was required to complete the additional tasks, and on February 9, 2023, the Consultant submitted its proposal to the City; and

**WHEREAS**, after negotiations between the City and Consultant, the parties have reached an agreement for the performance of these additional services in the amount of \$1,493,855; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**: That the City Council of the City of Tracy hereby approves Amendment No. 2 to the Professional Services Agreement with Mark Thomas and Company, Inc. to (1) augment the scope for the Project Approval, Environmental Document, and Plans, Specifications and Estimates for Modification of I-205 and I-580/Mountain House Existing Interchanges, CIP Nos. 73146 and 73147, and (2) increase the contract amount by an additional \$1,493,855 for a new total not-to-exceed amount of \$6,181,579.

The foregoing Resolution 2023-\_\_\_\_ was passed and adopted by the Tracy City Council on the 18th day of April 2023, by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS:
NOES: COUNCIL MEMBERS:
ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBERS:
ABSTENTION: COUNCIL MEMBERS:

NANCY D. YOUNG

Mayor of the City of Tracy, California

ATTEST:
ADRIANNE RICHARDSON
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City Clerk and Clerk of the Council of the City of Tracy, California

### Agenda Item 1.E

### **RECOMMENDATION**

Staff recommends City Council adopt a resolution approving the Final Subdivision Map for Tract No. 4156 Tracy Village Neighborhood 1.

### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

City staff recommends that the City Council approve the Final Subdivision Tract Map for Tract No. 4156, Tracy Village Neighborhood 1.

Tracy Village Development Project is a master-planned, gated and age-restricted residential community that consists of 590 single-family detached homes on 135.2+/- acres located on the south side of Valpico Road, east of Corral Hollow Road.

Final Subdivision Map for Tract No. 4156 (Final Map) will create nine (9) residential lots and three (3) large parcels for future subdivision and development. Approval of this item will facilitate recordation of the Final Map and will result in the issuance of building permits to construct the nine (9) residential units.

### BACKGROUND AND LEGISLATIVE HISTORY

Toll Brothers West, Inc. is the subdivider of the Tracy Village, Phase II. Approval of this Final Map is subject to the applicable requirements of the Tentative Subdivision Map for Tracy Village, Tract No. 3917 Conditions of Approval that was approved by the City Council on May 15, 2018, pursuant to Resolution No. 2018-087.

On May 15, 2018, the City Council approved the LAFCo (Local Agency Formation Commission) Annexation application, approved the Tracy Village Specific Plan, approved the Tracy Village Vesting Tentative Subdivision Map, and certified the Tracy Village Environmental Impact Report (Resolution No. 2018-087).

On October 4, 2022, the City Council approved the Final Subdivision Map and Subdivision Improvement Agreement for Tracy Village Tract 3917 (Resolution No. 2022-148).

Per the Conditions of Approval for the prior Subdivision Maps, and in accordance with the Tracy Village Specific Plan and the Tracy Village Vesting Tentative Map, the Subdivider is currently in the process of constructing streets and utility improvements required to serve Tract No. 4156 Tracy Village Neighborhood 1 connected with the approval of the Final Map pursuant to the Subdivision Map Act, the Subdivision Ordinance, and applicable City Standards. The improvements were approved per the Subdivision Improvement Agreement for Tract No. 3917 previously approved by City Council on October 4, 2022, pursuant to Resolution No. 2022-148.

### **ANALYSIS**

On May 15, 2018, the City Council approved the Vesting Tentative Subdivision Map for Tracy Village Neighborhood I Tract 4156 (Resolution No. 2018-087). Subdivider has requested to phase the development of the areas within the boundaries of this phase. The Final Map for the

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Tract No. 4156 is to create nine (9) residential lots and three (3) large parcels for future subdivision and development. The Final Map for Tract No. 4156 has been prepared on behalf of the Subdivider and has been reviewed by the Engineering Division as to its substantial compliance with approved Vesting Tentative Subdivision Map.

There are no additional improvements required to be constructed to serve the residential lots and parcels being created with the Final Map. Hence, there is no need for approval of a Subdivision Improvement Agreement for Final Map for Tract 4156.

The Final Map is attached and is on file with the City Engineer and available for review upon request.

### FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact associated with this item. The Subdivider has paid the applicable engineering plan check fees which include the cost of review of the Final Map.

### **CEQA DETERMINATION**

The project is consistent with the Final Revised Environmental Impact Report (EIR) certified by the City Council on May 15, 2018, for the Tracy Village Specific Plan, (SCH#2016112016). Pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15162 and Public Resources Code Section 21166, no subsequent EIR shall be prepared for the project because the project has a certified EIR and no substantial changes are proposed in the project that would require major revisions to the previous EIR; no substantial changes have occurred with respect to the circumstances under which the project will be undertaken that would require major revisions to the previous EIR; and no new information of substantial importance regarding significant effects, mitigation measures, or alternatives for this project has become known, which was not known at the time the previous EIR was certified as complete. Furthermore, as a residential subdivision that is consistent with a specific plan for which an EIR was certified after January 1, 1980, the project is exempt from the requirements of CEQA pursuant to California Government Code Section 65457. Therefore, no further environmental review is necessary.

### STRATEGIC PLAN

This agenda item is consistent with the Council approved Economic Development Strategy to ensure physical infrastructure necessary for development.

### ACTION REQUESTED OF THE CITY COUNCIL

Staff recommends that the Tracy City Council, by resolution, approve the Final Subdivision Map for Tract 4156 Tracy Village Neighborhood 1.

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Prepared by: Al Gali, Associate Engineer

Reviewed by: Koosun Kim, PE, City Engineer / Assistant Director of Development Services

Jaylen French, Director of Development Services

Sara Cowell, Finance Director

Karin Schnaider, Assistant City Manager Nancy Ashjian, Assistant City Attorney

Approved by: Midori Lichtwardt, Acting City Manager

### **ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment A – Final Subdivision Map

# **TRACT NO. 4156**

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# **OWNER'S STATEMENT**

WE, THE UNDERSIGNED, HEREBY STATE THAT WE ARE ALL THE PARTIES HAVING RECORD TITLE INTEREST IN THE LANDS SUBDIMDED AND SHOWN ON THIS FINAL MAP OF "TRACT NO. 4156, SUBDIMSIONS OF SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY, TRACY VILLAGE NEIGHBORHOOD 1, CITY OF TRACY, CALIFORNIA", AND WE HEREBY CONSENT TO THE PREPARATION AND FILING OF THIS MAP IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY RECORDER OF SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY, CALIFORNIA.

THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED PROPERTY IS HEREBY DEDICATED AS AN EASEMENT FOR PUBLIC PURPOSES:

- 1) ALL PUBLIC UTILITY EASEMENTS AS SHOWN ON THIS FINAL MAP.
- 2) ALL SANITARY SEWER EASEMENTS AS SHOWN ON THIS FINAL MAP.
- 3) ALL WATER LINE EASEMENTS AS SHOWN ON THIS FINAL MAP.

WE HEREBY STATE THAT PARCELS A, B, AND C, ARE RESERVED FOR FUTURE DEVELOPMENT.

AS OWNER: DRP CA 6, LLC, A DELAWARE LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

BY:					
NAME:					
TITLE:					
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# OWNER'S ACKNOWLEDGMENT

A NOTARY PUBLIC OR OTHER OFFICER COMPLETING THIS CERTIFICATE VERIFIES ONLY THE IDENTITY OF THE INDIVIDUAL WHO SIGNED THE DOCUMENT TO WHICH THIS CERTIFICATE IS ATTACHED, AND NOT THE TRUTHFULNESS, ACCURACY, OR VALIDITY OF THAT DOCUMENT.

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ON, BEFORE ME,, A NOTARY PUBLIC, PERSONALLY APPEARED, WHO PROVED TO ME ON THE BASIS OF SATISFACTORY EVIDENCE TO BE THE PERSON(S) WHOSE NAME(S) IS/ARE SUBSCRIBED TO THE WITHIN INSTRUMENT AND ACKNOWLEDGED TO ME THAT HE/SHE/THEY EXECUTED THE SAME IN HIS/HER/THEIR AUTHORIZED CAPACITY(IES), AND THAT BY HIS/HER/THEIR SIGNATURE(S) ON THE INSTRUMENT THE PERSON(S), OR THE ENTITY UPON BEHALF OF WHICH THE PERSON(S) ACTED, EXECUTED THE INSTRUMENT.
I CERTIFY UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA THAT THE FOREGOING PARAGRAPH IS TRUE AND CORRECT.
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NAME (PRINT):
PRINCIPAL COUNTY OF BUSINESS:
MY COMMISSION NUMBER:
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# **OPTIONEE'S STATEMENT**

THE UNDERSIGNED CORPORATION, AS OPTIONEE UNDER THE MEMORANDUM OF OPTION RECORDED ON MAY 21, 2021, DOCUMENT NUMBER 2021—088970 OF OFFICIAL RECORDS, SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY, CALIFORNIA; DOES HEREBY JOIN IN AND CONSENT TO THE FOREGOING OWNERS STATEMENT AND ALL DEDICATIONS SHOWN HEREIN.

TOLL WEST INC. WHICH WILL DO BUSINESS IN CALIFORNIA AS TOLL BROTHERS WEST INC., A DELAWARE CORPORATION

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# SURVEYOR'S STATEMENT

THIS MAP WAS PREPARED BY ME OR UNDER MY DIRECTION AND IS BASED UPON A FIELD SURVEY IN CONFORMANCE WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE SUBDIVISION MAP ACT AND LOCAL ORDINANCE AT THE REQUEST OF DRP CA 6, LLC. IN MAY 2021. I HEREBY STATE THAT ALL MONUMENTS ARE OF THE CHARACTER AND OCCUPY THE POSITIONS INDICATED, OR THAT THEY WILL BE SET IN THOSE POSITIONS ON OR BEFORE DECEMBER 31, 2023; AND THAT THE MONUMENTS ARE, OR WILL BE, SUFFICIENT TO ENABLE THE SURVEY TO BE RETRACED AND THAT THIS TRACT MAP SUBSTANTIALLY CONFORMS TO THE CONDITIONALLY APPROVED TENTATIVE MAP.

DATE



MARK H. WEHBER, P.L.S. L.S. NO. 7960

# STATEMENT OF THE SURVEYOR FOR THE CITY

I, DAVID W. ENKE, HEREBY STATE THAT I HAVE EXAMINED THIS FINAL MAP OF "TRACT NO. 4156, SUBDIVISIONS OF SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY, TRACY VILLAGE NEIGHBORHOOD 1, CITY OF TRACY, CALIFORNIA", AND THAT THE SUBDIVISION SHOWN HEREON COMPLIES WITH ALL THE PROVISIONS OF CHAPTER 2 OF THE CALIFORNIA SUBDIVISION MAP ACT, AS AMENDED, AND THAT THIS FINAL MAP IS TECHNICALLY CORRECT.

DAVID W. ENKE, L.S. 4071 SURVEYOR FOR THE CITY



DATE

# CITY ENGINEER'S STATEMENT

I ROBERT ARMIJO, HEREBY STATE THAT I AM THE CITY ENGINEER OF THE CITY OF TRACY, CALIFORNIA AND THAT I HAVE EXAMINED THIS FINAL MAP OF "TRACT NO. 4156, SUBDIVISIONS OF SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY, TRACY VILLAGE NEIGHBORHOOD 1, CITY OF TRACY, CALIFORNIA", AND THAT THE SUBDIVISION SHOWN HEREON IS SUBSTANTIALLY THE SAME AS IT APPEARED ON THE TENTATIVE MAP AND ANY APPROVED ALTERATIONS THEREOF; THAT ALL PROVISIONS OF CHAPTER 2 OF THE SUBDIVISION MAP ACT AND OF ANY LOCAL ORDINANCES APPLICABLE AT THE TIME OF APPROVAL OF THE TENTATIVE MAP HAVE BEEN COMPLIED WITH.

ROBERT ARMIJO, R.C.E. 63173 CITY ENGINEER

DATE:

# **SOILS REPORT**

A SOILS REPORT WAS PREPARED BY ENGEO INCORPORATED. DATED APRIL 12, 2017. PROJECT NO. 10091.000.000. SIGNED BY STEVE HARRIS, GE AND HAS BEEN FILED AT THE OFFICE OF THE CITY ENGINEER.

## NOTES:

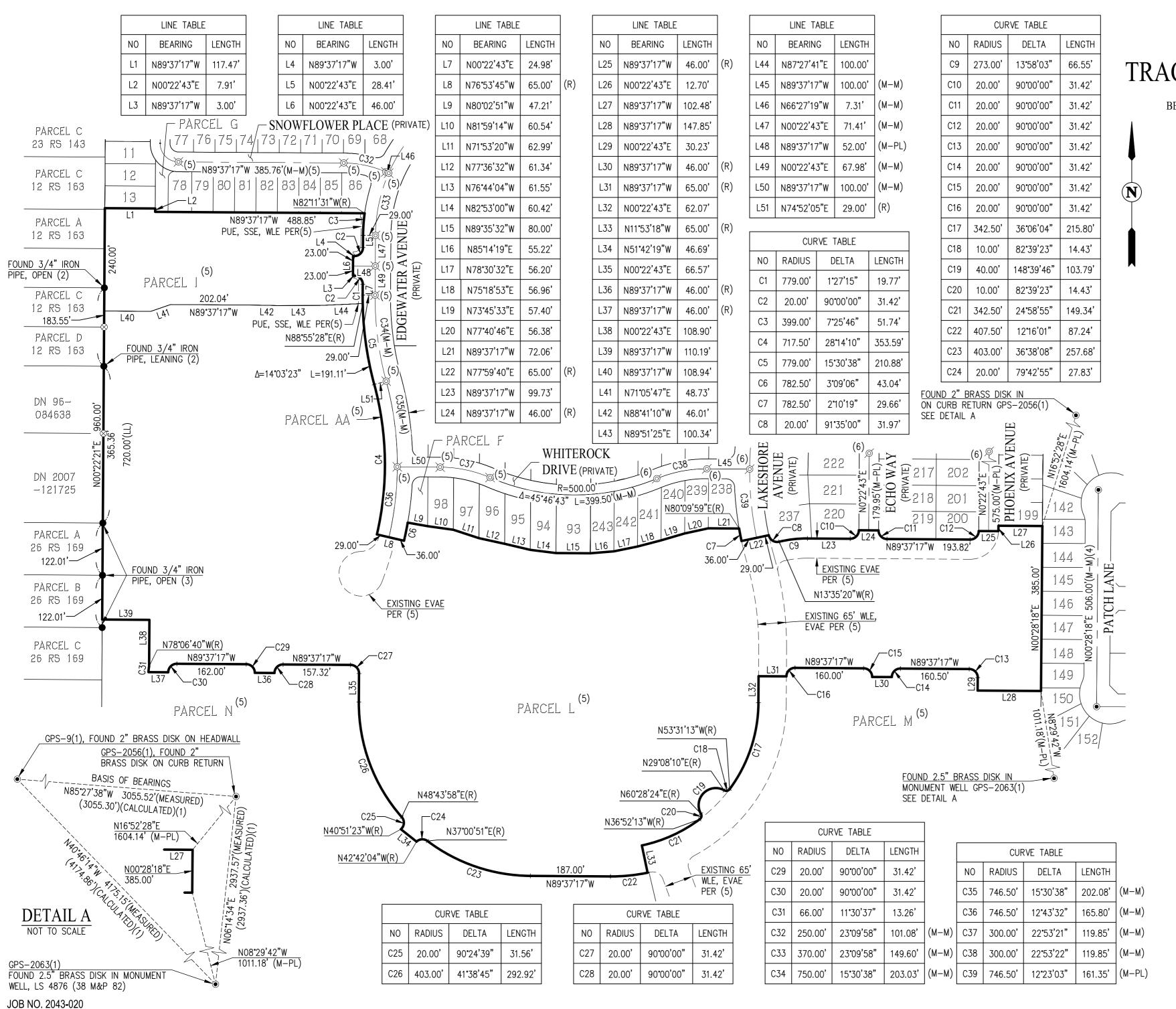
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# CITY CLERK'S STATEMENT

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**GRAPHIC SCALE** 

# BASIS OF BEARINGS:

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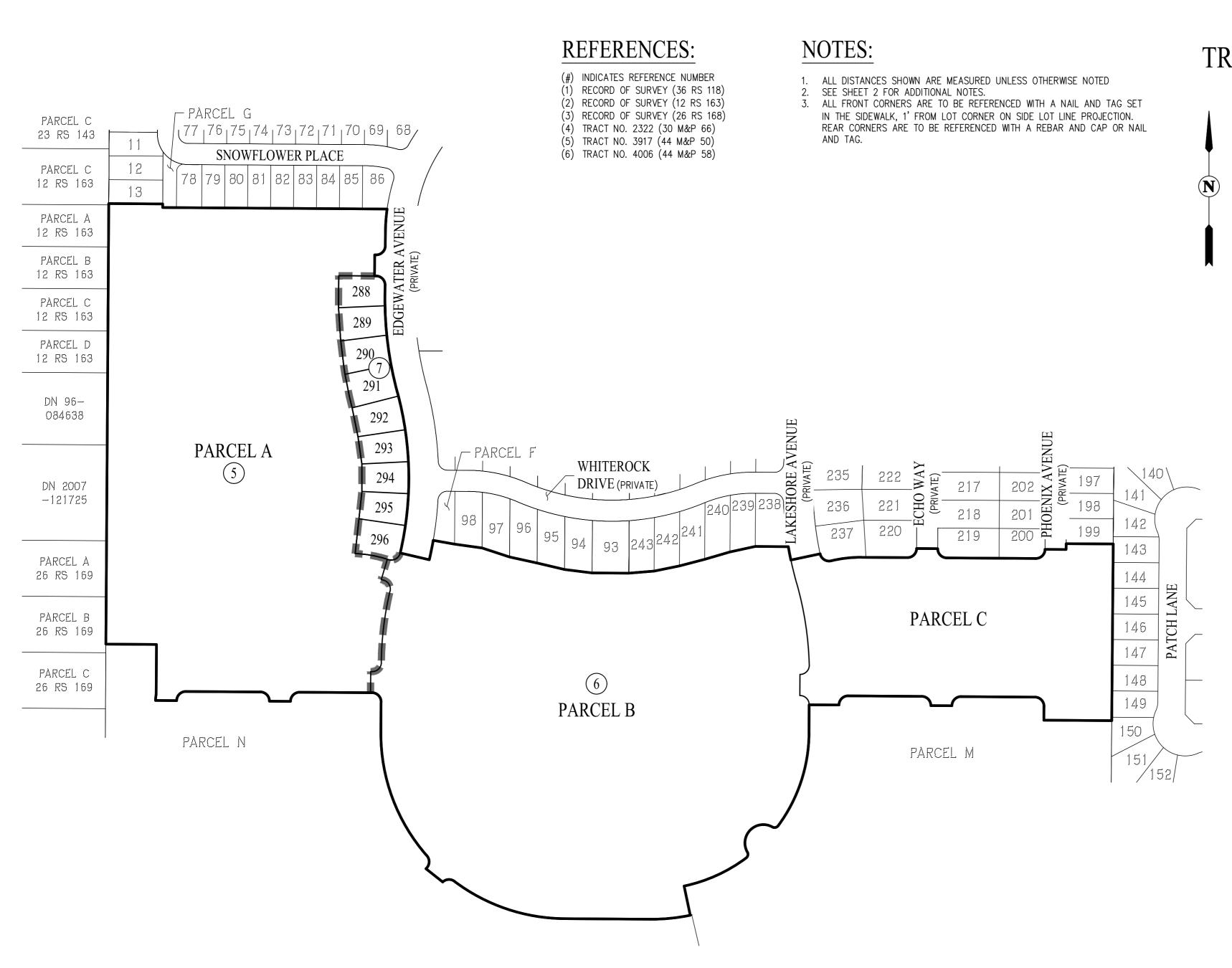
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- (5) TRACT NO. 3917 (44 M&P 50)
- (6) TRACT NO. 4006 (44 M&P 58)

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SUBDIVISION AREA SUMMARY:

LOTS 1.44 AC± PARCELS 33.27 AC±
TOTAL 34.71 AC±



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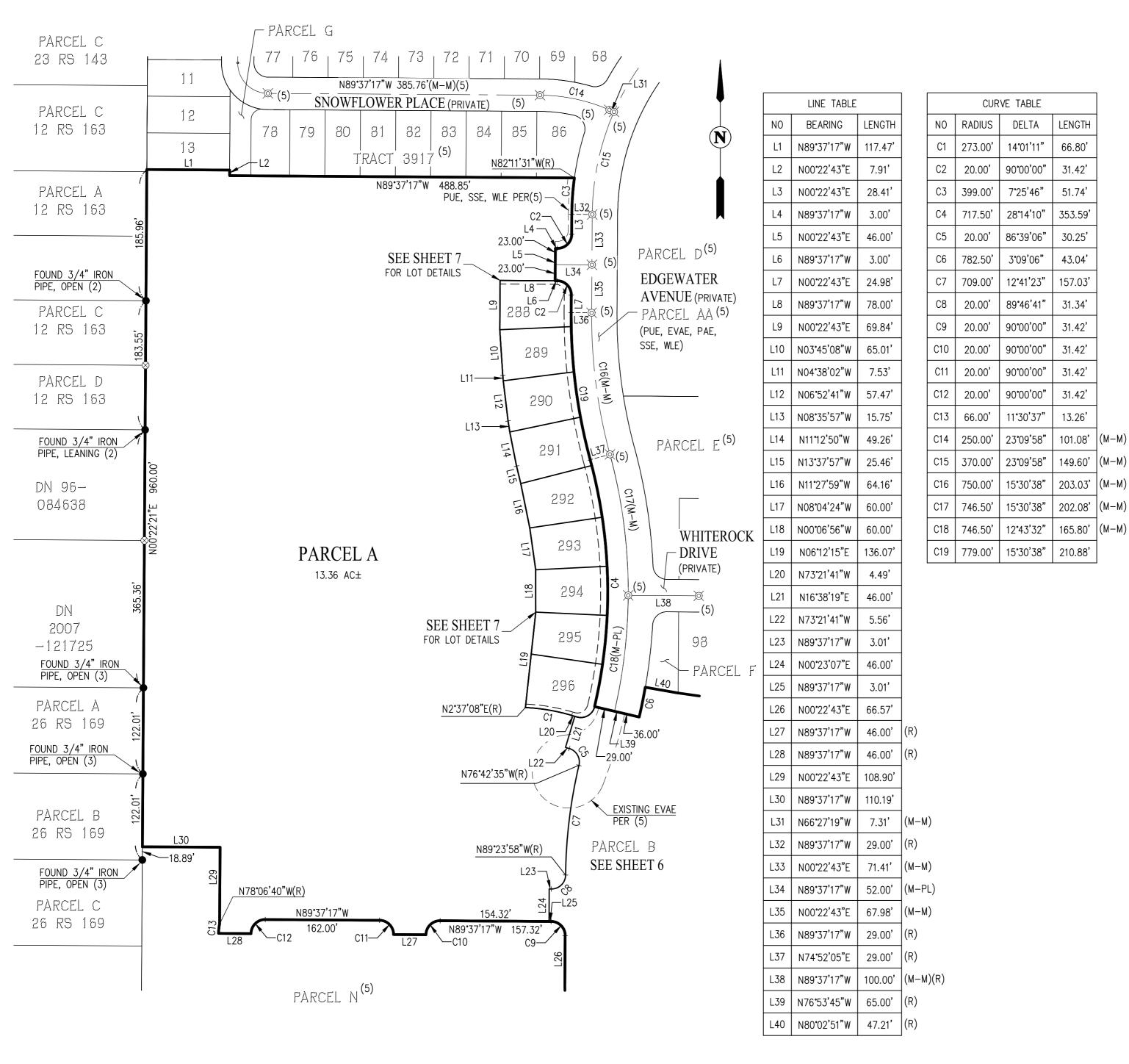
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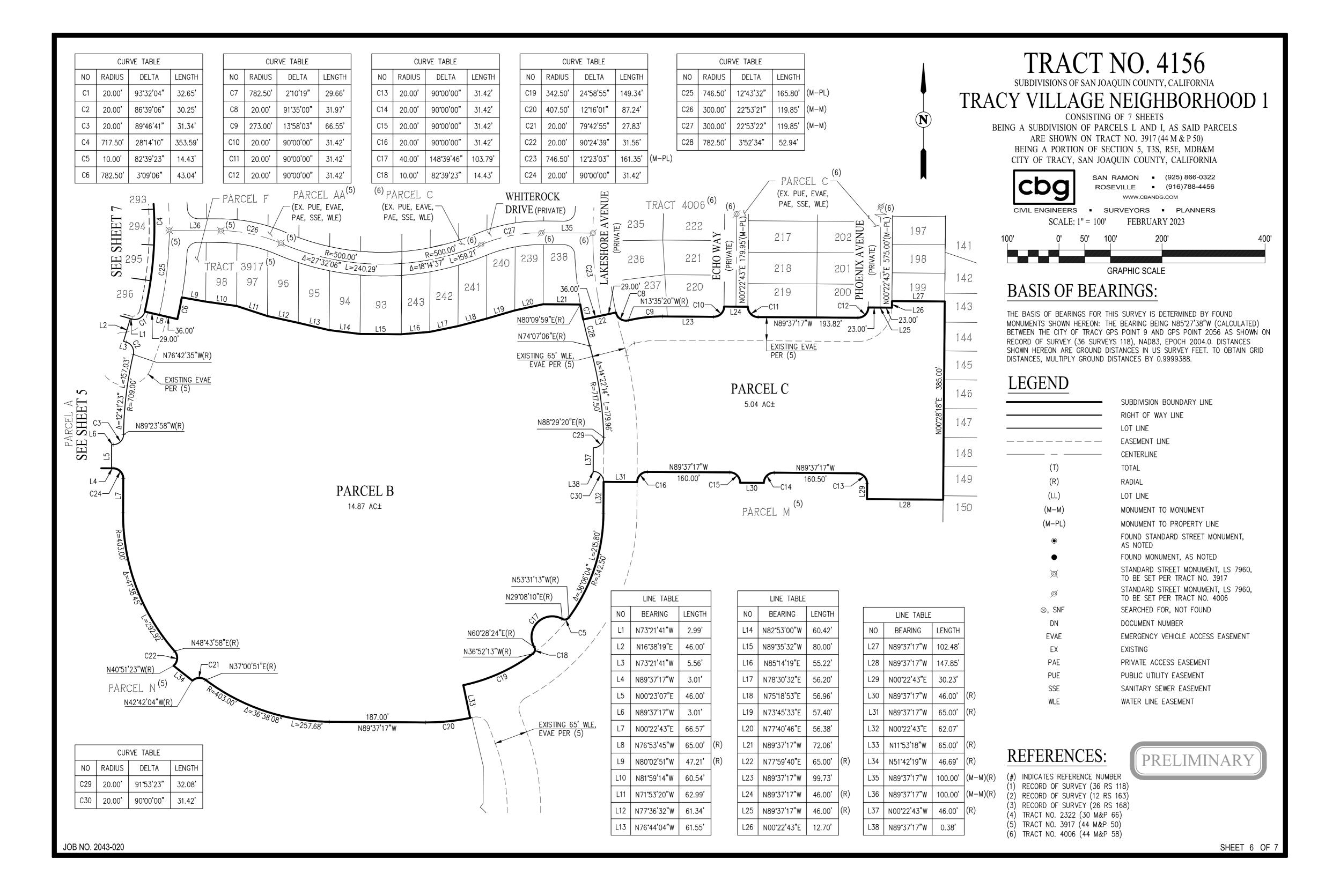


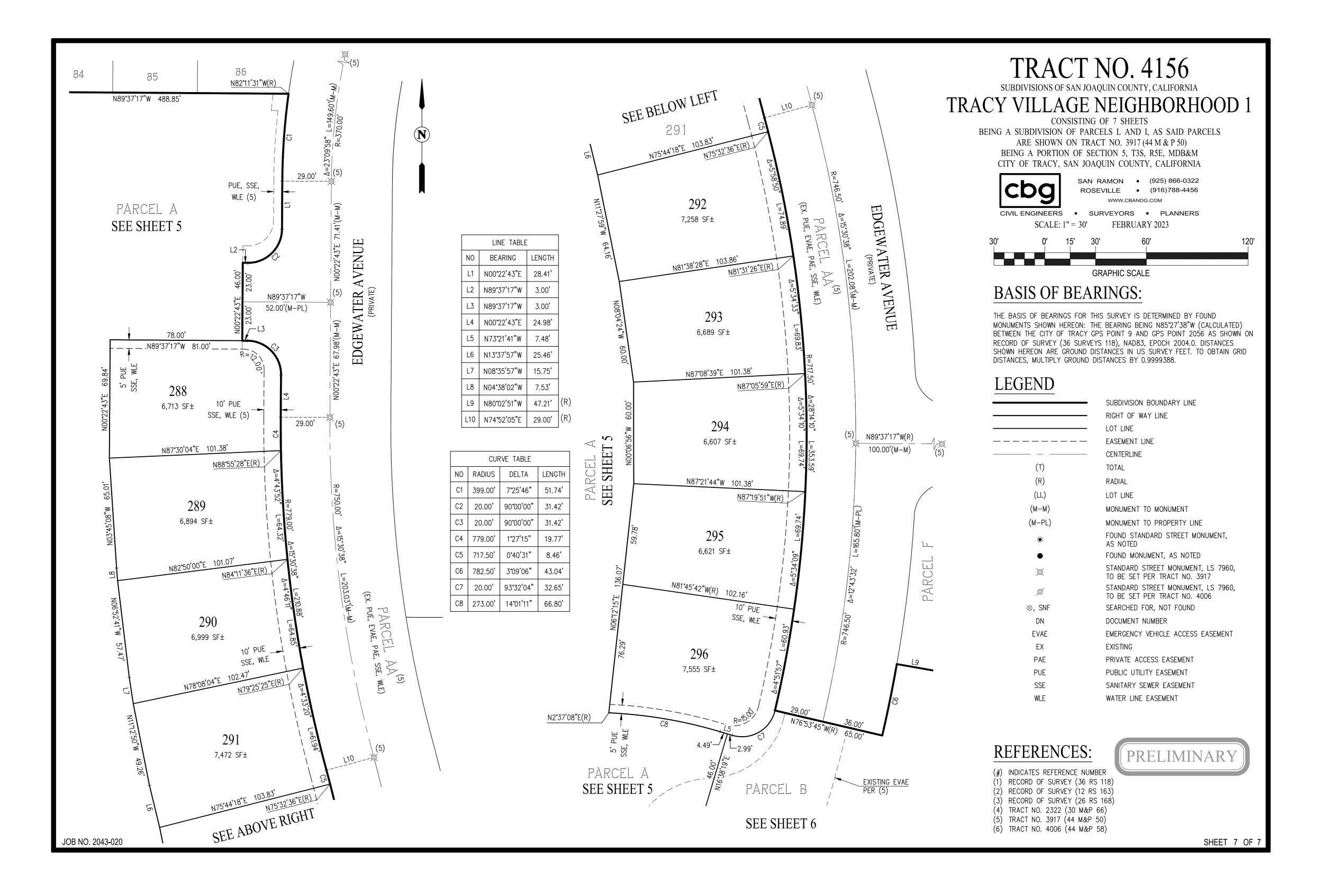
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# TRACY CITY COUNCIL

<b>RESOLUTION</b>	2023-
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# APPROVING THE FINAL SUBDIVISION MAP FOR TRACT NO. 4156 TRACY VILLAGE NEIGHBORHOOD 1

**WHEREAS**, Final Subdivision Map for Tract 4156 (Final Map) will create nine (9) residential lots and three (3) large parcels for future subdivision and development; and

WHEREAS, approval of this Final Map is subject to the applicable requirements of the Tentative Subdivision Map for Tracy Village, Tract No. 3917 Conditions of Approval that was approved by the City Council on May 15, 2018, pursuant to Resolution No. 2018-087; and

**WHEREAS,** per the Conditions of Approval for the Subdivision Map; and in accordance with the Tracy Village Specific Plan and the Tracy Village Vesting Tentative Map, the Subdivider is currently in the process of construction of streets and utility improvements required to serve Tract 4156 Tracy Village Neighborhood 1; and

**WHEREAS,** the improvements were approved per the Subdivision Improvement Agreement for Tract 3917 previously approved by City Council on October 04, 2022, pursuant to Resolution No. 2022-148; and

**WHEREAS**, there are no additional improvements required to be constructed to serve the residential lots and parcels being created with the Final Map. Hence, there is no need for approval of a Subdivision Improvement Agreement for Final Map for Tract 4156; and

**WHEREAS**, the Final Map has been reviewed as to its substantial compliance with approved Vesting Tentative Subdivision Map; now, therefore be it

**RESOLVED:** That the City Council of the City of Tracy hereby approves the Final Subdivision Map for Tract No. 4156 Tracy Village Neighborhood 1; and be it

**FURTHER RESOLVED:** That Tract 4156 is consistent with the Final Revised Environmental Impact Report (EIR) certified by the City Council on May 15, 2018 for the Tracy Village Specific Plan, (SCH#2016112016), by Resolution No2018-087. Pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15162, the project is exempt from further environmental review; and be it

**FURTHER RESOLVED:** That there will be no impact to the General Fund. The Subdivider will pay for the cost of review and recordation of the Final Map.

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		NANCY D. YOUNG Mayor of the City of Tracy, California
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# Agenda Item 1.F

# **RECOMMENDATION**

Staff recommends that the City Council adopt a resolution approving the formation and bylaws for an Environmental Sustainability Commission.

# **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

On January 17, 2023, the City Council provided direction to staff to return with a resolution to form an Environmental Sustainability Commission. Staff recommends approving the resolution to adopt the bylaws for the Commission.

# BACKGROUND AND LEGISLATIVE HISTORY

Beginning in 2021, Councilmembers have requested a discussion on forming a commission that would cover various environmental issues, such as water conservation, drought, environmental sustainability, climate action plan, urban forest (tree and landscaping), and waste management (recycling and composting). At the September 7, 2021, City Council meeting, Mayor Young requested a discussion to consider a citizen's commission that would oversee water and drought issues facing the City. This item was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Davis. Further, at the November 2, 2021, City Council meeting, Mayor Young requested a discussion to consider a citizen's commission that would review water and environmental sustainability issues facing the City. This item was seconded by Councilmembers Arriola and Bedolla. At the February 15, 2022, City Council meeting, Councilmember Bedolla proposed amending the request made on November 2, 2021. He requested a discussion on the potential to form two separate commissions; one for water issues and one to develop a climate action plan. This amendment was seconded by Mayor Young and Councilmember Arriola. On April 19, 2022, then Mayor Pro Tem Vargas requested a discussion on creating an environmental sustainability commission. This item was seconded by Councilmember Arriola. On July 12, 2022. Councilmember Bedolla requested a commission to develop the work plan for the urban forest (trees and landscaping). This item was seconded by Mayor Young.

On January 17, 2023, the City Council provided direction to staff to return with a resolution to form an Environmental Sustainability Commission with the following purpose, makeup, and necessity:

# Purpose:

The purpose of the Commission is to develop comprehensive, integrated environmental policies for implementation by the City to protect and enhance the City's air, water, and land. The Commission is limited to performing task enumerated in its enabling ordinance, these bylaws, and otherwise delegated to it by City Council. The Commission is responsible to the Mayor and the City Council and is charged with: (1) Acting as an advocate for protecting, preserving, and enhancing the environment as it relates to issues under consideration by the City Council and Planning Commission. (2) Serving in an advisory role to the City Council and all Boards and Commissions on environmental and sustainability policy issues. The Commission may

recommend new ordinances, amendments to existing ordinances, and other actions it deems appropriate. (3) Providing a means for promoting discussion and education on issues related to the environment and sustainability. (4) Preparing an annual report to be presented to the City Council which includes, but is not limited to these items: Climate, Air and Energy, Stormwater Urban Forest and Biodiversity, Consumption and Waste; including Recycling, Water and Conservation, Resource Protection and Preservation.

# Makeup:

The Environmental Sustainability Commission shall consist of five members. Preferably, the composition of the Commission will include five (5) residents with desirable background and expertise in specified areas of environmental sustainability practices, such as the water, wastewater, solid waste, Climate Action, landscape/urban forest, and/or sustainable energy.

The commission would be supported by the Operation and Utilities Department and meet regularly on the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of each month at 7:00 p.m.

### Necessity:

Found in many agencies around the country, an Environmental Sustainability Commission acts in an advisory capacity on issues pertaining to environmental impacts, sustainability practices, and legislative mandates that impact the environmental health and the well-being of the City and its residents. It is intended that the Environmental Sustainability Commission not take an advocacy role, but an advisory role, in providing input to City Council. Additionally, the Environmental Sustainability Commission is expected to advise City Council on environmental matters brought to them by the community.

### FISCAL IMPACT

The fiscal impacts of this staff report would be absorbed by the city departments.

# STRATEGIC PLAN

This agenda item supports the City Council's 2021-2023 Governance Strategic Priority, and specifically implements the following goal:

Goal 1: Model good governance, teamwork, and transparency.

# RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the City Council, by resolution, approve the formation and bylaws for an Environmental Sustainability Commission.

Prepared by: Karin Schnaider, Assistant City Manager

Reviewed by: Sara Cowell, Finance Director

Nancy Ashjian, Assistant City Attorney

Approved by: Midori Lichtwardt, Acting City Manager

#### **ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment A – Bylaws of the Environmental Sustainability Commission

#### ATTACHMENT A

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# BYLAWS OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY COMMISSION

CITY OF TRACY, CALIFORNIA

WHEREAS, the City Council has established an Environmental Sustainability Commission for the purpose of advising the Council on the issues related to the sustainability, environment stewardship and opportunities for advancement on those fronts; and

WHEREAS, the Environmental Sustainability Commission is advisory to the City Council.

NOW, THEREFORE, these Bylaws govern the conduct of the meetings and the transaction of its affairs.

# A. PURPOSE

- 1. The purpose of the Commission is to develop comprehensive, integrated environmental policies for implementation by the City to protect and enhance the City's air, water, and land.
- 2. The Commission is limited to performing tasks enumerated in its enabling ordinance, these bylaws, and otherwise delegated to it by City Council. The Commission is responsible to the City Council and is charged with:
  - 2.1. Acting as an advocate for protecting, preserving, and enhancing the environment as it relates to issues under consideration by the City Council and Planning Commission.
  - 2.2. Serving in an advisory role to the City Council and all Boards and Commissions, as may be requested from time to time, on environmental and sustainability policy issues. The Commission may recommend new ordinances, amendments to existing ordinances, and other actions it deems appropriate.
  - 2.3. Providing a means for promoting discussion and education on issues related to the environment and sustainability.
  - 2.4. Preparing an annual report to be presented to the City Council which includes, but is not limited to these items:
    - Climate, Air and Energy
    - Stormwater
    - Urban Forest and Biodiversity
    - Consumption and Waste; including Recycling
    - Water and Conservation Resource
    - Protection and Preservation

# B. ROLE AND RESPONSIBILITIES

The role of the Environmental Sustainability Commission is to provide citizen and community perspective and input on the development on emerging policy issues related to environmental sustainability, updates to the Climate Action Plan, and receive periodic progress reports from staff on meeting climate action goals.

# C. <u>MEMBERSHIP GUIDELINES</u>

- Membership. The Environmental Sustainability Commission shall consist of five members. Preferably, the composition of the Commission will include five (5) residents with desirable background and expertise in specified areas of environmental sustainability practices, such as the water, wastewater, solid waste, Climate Action, landscape/urban forest, and/or sustainable energy.
- 2. **Term.** Each member shall serve a four-year term. To provide for Commissioner's terms to expire in a staggered manner, for the appointments of the initial Commissioners on the Environmental Sustainability Commission only, the City Council at its discretion will appoint two (2) Commissioners for a two-year term and three (3) Commissioners for a four-year term. After the expiration of the initial two-year and four-year terms, the terms will be four years for all Commissioners.
- 3. **Attendance.** If a member of the Environmental Sustainability Commission fails to attend two (2) regular meetings in any calendar year, his or her position on the Environmental Sustainability Commission shall automatically become vacant and the staff liaison shall so inform the City Clerk. Absences may not be excused, subject to Section 4 below. For quorum confirmation, a member who is unable to attend a meeting shall inform the staff liaison designated by the relevant City Department at least 48 hours before the next meeting.
  - 3.1. **Teleconferencing**. If a member of the Environmental Sustainability Commission chooses to participate remotely via teleconferencing, the member must abide by either: 1) teleconferencing rules under the Brown Act, or 2) use a justified excuse under AB 2449. If the member chooses to remotely participate under AB 2449, the member may only do so for two (2) regular meetings.
- 4. **Leave of Absence.** An Environmental Sustainability Commission member may submit a written request to the City Council for a leave of absence of up to six months, which may be approved in its discretion.
- 5. **AB 1234 Training and Form 700 Completion.** If a member of the Environmental Sustainability Commission who is required to complete AB 1234 training (State Mandated Ethics Training) and/or is required to complete form 700 (Statement of Economic Interest), does not do so in a timely manner, the City Clerk's Office will send two written notices at least 10 days apart to the member. If the member does not complete the required training and/or form and provide proof of compliance to the City Clerk's Office, within 30 days of receiving the second written notice, his or her appointment will automatically terminate.

# D. QUORUM

A quorum of the Environmental Sustainability Commission shall consist of a majority of the members (including any vacancies). A quorum must be present in order for the Environmental Sustainability Commission to hold a meeting.

# E. OFFICERS

- 1. The officers of the Environmental Sustainability Commission shall be:
  - 1.1. The Chairperson and
  - 1.2. The Vice-Chairperson.
- 2. The Chairperson shall:
  - 2.1. Preside at all regular and special meetings.
  - 2.2. Rule on all points of order and procedure during the meetings.
- 3. The Vice Chairperson shall assume all duties of the Chairperson in his or her absence or disability. The Vice Chairperson shall chair the Commission's ad hoc subcommittee to review proposed park and recreation facility names prior to review by the Commission.
- 4. In case of the absence of both the Chairperson and Vice Chairperson from any meeting, an Acting Chairperson shall be elected from among the members present.

# F. DUTIES OF THE COMMISSION

- 1. Develop an annual work plan and presentation to the City Council.
- 2. Review and update from time to time, as necessary the Sustainability Action Plan
- 3. Develop policies and plans to provide for and advocate for environmental protection within the City of Tracy
- 4. Develop policies and plans for environmental awareness in cooperation with other public and private agencies
- 5. Provide recommendations to the City Council on such matters that may be referred to the Commission by City Council

# G. APPOINTMENT OF OFFICERS

The officers will be selected by the membership for a one-year term. The annual appointment of members shall take place at the last regular meeting in June of each year. The terms of members shall commence as of July 1st following the election and shall continue through June 30th of the following year. In the first year of formation, the election of officers shall take place at the first regular meeting.

# H. <u>MEETINGS</u>

- 1. Regular meetings of the Environmental Sustainability Commission shall be held on the 4th Thursday of each month and shall begin at 7:00 p.m.
- 2. If the scheduled date of a regular meeting conflicts with a holiday period, staff shall reschedule that meeting to be conducted within that month.
- 3. Any regular meeting may be adjourned, or any item on the agenda continued to the next or any subsequent regular meeting of the Environmental Sustainability Commission, by a majority of the quorum. If a meeting is adjourned or an item is continued to a special meeting to be held on a date other than a regular meeting date, the time, place, and date of such special meeting shall be specified in the

motion for adjournment or continuance.

- 4. All meetings are subject to the Brown Act as set forth in Government Code Sections 54950 and following. Accordingly, all meetings shall be noticed and agendas for all meetings shall be prepared and distributed in accordance with the current City Council meeting procedures and the Brown Act.
- 5. All meetings shall be conducted in accordance with City Council's Meeting Protocols and Rules of Procedures, section 5 Conduct of Meetings, which may be amended from time to time.

# I. <u>FUNDING</u>

Any funding necessary for the operation of the Environmental Sustainability Commission shall be included in the City of Tracy budget, which shall be approved by the City Council.

# J. ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES AND POLICIES

City Boards and Commissions shall follow all applicable City administrative policies and procedures.

# K. SUBCOMMITTEES

The Environmental Sustainability Commission may form ad hoc subcommittees in accordance with the Brown Act, and make appointments to that subcommittee, as it deems necessary. A quorum of Commission members may not be appointed to serve on a single subcommittee. Before forming a subcommittee, the Environmental Sustainability Commission shall establish a specific charge and term for the subcommittee.

# L. STAFF LIAISON

The Environmental Sustainability Commission shall have a staff liaison designated by the relevant City Department. The staff liaison shall:

- Receive and record all exhibits, petitions, documents, or other material presented to the Commission in support of, or in opposition to, any question before the Commission.
- 2. Sign all meetings minutes and resolutions upon approval.
- 3. Prepare and distribute agendas and agenda packets.

# M. ADOPTION

This document, as adopted by City Council, on March 7, 2023, by Resolution 2023-XX, and shall serve as the Bylaws for the Environmental Sustainability Commission.

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# APPROVING THE FORMATION AND BYLAWS OF AN ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF TRACY

**WHEREAS,** The Tracy Municipal Code allows the City Council to establish advisory, ad hoc and standing commissions, to address an explicit purpose or need; and

**WHEREAS,** On February 7, 2023, the City Council directed staff to return to the City Council with actions to form the Environmental Sustainability Commission; and

**WHEREAS**, The City Council has established an Environmental Sustainability Commission for the purpose of advising the Council on the issues related to the sustainability, environment stewardship, and opportunities for advancement on those fronts; and

**WHEREAS,** The purpose of the Commission is to develop comprehensive, integrated environmental policies for implementation by the City to protect and enhance the City's air, water, and land; and

**WHEREAS**, The Environmental Sustainability Commission is advisory to the City Council; and

**WHEREAS**, The Environmental Sustainability Commission shall consist of five members. The composition of the Commission will include five (5) residents with desirable background and expertise in specified areas of environmental sustainability practices, such as the water, wastewater, solid waste, climate action, landscape/urban forest, and/or sustainable energy; and

**WHEREAS,** Regular meetings of the Environmental Sustainability Commission shall be held on the 4th Thursday of each month and shall begin at 7:00 p.m.; and

**WHEREAS,** The Commission would be supported by the Utilities and Operations Department; and now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**: The City Council of the City of Tracy hereby finds and determines that the foregoing recitals are true and correct and are hereby incorporated herein as findings and determinations of the City; and be it further

**RESOLVED:** That the City Council of the City of Tracy hereby establishes a new standing commission of the City Council to be known as the Environmental Sustainability Commission, consisting of five City of Tracy residents, to be appointed pursuant to the terms

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laid out in the bylaws; and be it further

City Clerk and Clerk of the Council of the

City of Tracy, California

**RESOLVED:** The Commission's roles and responsibilities shall be, generally, to guide the development of an environmental sustainability plan for the City, and, more specifically, as set forth in their bylaws; and be it further

**RESOLVED:** The Commission shall have a regular meeting once a month on the fourth Thursday of each month, and may schedule additional special meetings, as needed, with all meetings to be noticed and conducted in compliance with the Brown Act; and be it further

**RESOLVED:** The Commission shall convene soon after appointments are made. \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* The foregoing Resolution 2023-\_\_\_\_ was adopted by the Tracy City Council on the 18th day of April 2023 by the following vote: AYES: **COUNCIL MEMBERS:** NOES: **COUNCIL MEMBERS:** ABSENT: **COUNCIL MEMBERS:** ABSTENTION: **COUNCIL MEMBERS:** NANCY D. YOUNG Mayor of the City of Tracy, California ATTEST: ADRIANNE RICHARDSON

# Agenda Item 1.G

# RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that City Council adopt a resolution authorizing the 1) appropriation of \$600,000 from Measure V (Fund 107) as one-time funding to the Parks and Recreation Department for the purchase of equipment to maintain and operate Legacy Fields, 2) Authorizing the Budget Officer to amend the City's position control roster for FY22/23, and 3) appropriation of \$80,000 from Measure V (Fund 107) as prorated funding to fund the Parks and Recreation Department for staffing, maintenance, and operations to maintain and operate Legacy Fields for the remainder of FY22/23.

# **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

At the City Council meeting on February 22, 2022, staff informed the Council they entered into a professional services agreement with Pros Consulting, Inc. (Pros) for research, market, and operational analysis for Legacy Fields. The goal was to identify and have resources in place at the time construction of Legacy Fields Phase 1E (Phase 1E) was complete. Construction of Phase 1E is now expected to be complete by Summer 2023.

Staff is requesting one-time and ongoing appropriations for operations, maintenance, and management of Legacy Fields, which includes the equipment necessary to maintain the new additions to the facility and the addition of one Senior Maintenance Worker, four Maintenance Workers I/II.

# BACKGROUND AND LEGISLATIVE HISTORY

Operations and maintenance of Legacy Fields began in 2012 with the completion of Phase 1A. Legacy Fields has been the only project to date with operational costs being funded by Measure V. The annually approved budget amount for Legacy Fields operational costs has stayed static since 2018, while the addition of amenities and improvements has continued to grow. Capital investment in new fields, sport field lights, plaza areas, restrooms, parking lots, landscape areas, etc. have outpaced the resources required to maintain the facility to City standards.

The City Council has consensus on using 25% of the annual Measure V revenue for operational costs of projects funded by Measure V. This was confirmed and codified through Resolution 2019-232 on November 19, 2020.

In 2021, the City entered into a professional services agreement with Pros for research, market, and operational analysis for Legacy Fields. Pros was selected for these services in part for their breadth of experience and level of expertise in the Parks and Recreation profession, particularly in the Sports and Fitness industry. Pros has 100+ years of combined experience leading over 1,000 projects at all levels of the public sector. They were also heavily involved in the Citywide Parks, Recreation and Trails Master Plan Update prior to the Legacy Fields analysis, giving them valuable background on the facility development and Tracy in general. The goal of this analysis was to identify the specific operational needs and have resources in place at the completion of Phase 1E to protect the City's investment at Legacy Fields. By having the staffing and resources in place when current construction is complete, the City will be taking a proactive

approach by preserving its investment as utilization facility wide is expected to increase. Pros completed an analysis for the facility which included the current management practices and limitations to understand the current conditions. Based on operations, expanded staffing and resources are recommended to meet the standards set within the plan. See Attachment A for the Legacy Fields Executive Summary.

### **ANALYSIS**

With over \$54 million invested to date, including the support of \$31 million from Measure V, four phases of construction have been completed and one phase is currently under construction. In the next several months, Legacy Fields will reach a major milestone as Phase 1E will be complete providing approximately 72 acres of active recreation to the community. The amenities within the Phase 1 area include: ten lighted diamond fields, eight lighted multi-purpose fields, three restroom / concession buildings, one restroom building, four paved parking lots including associated entry / exit roads, one maintenance yard, four plaza spaces, and landscaping throughout the facility.

The additional resources being requested will ensure the facility is maintained as the City's premier sports complex, maximizing revenue generation, sustaining a high quality of play, and preserving capital assets so they meet their useful life.

After completing an analysis of current operations at Legacy Fields, Pros identified a number of key findings to help guide decision making which include:

- The current service area population is approximately 6 million and is projected to experience a 15% increase in the next 15 years.
- Legacy Fields is positioned well for sports tourism, with the number of softball / baseball fields in the upper tier and the number of soccer / multi-purpose fields in the middle tier of the market.
- With policy updates regarding field allocation, there is a potential for generating approximately \$225,000 in additional revenue by programming athletic tournaments throughout the year.
- Based on best practice programming levels for athletic fields, there are opportunities to increase utilization by over 8,500 hours annually, resulting in approximately \$146,000 in additional revenue from field rentals, for a net annual total of \$249,000 for field rentals.
- With additional tournaments, programming optimal utilization, and other revenue strategies (sponsorships, concessions, etc.), Legacy Fields has the potential of bringing in \$656,000 in total revenue, resulting in approximately 28% cost recovery.
- Legacy Fields is currently understaffed. An additional five full-time Maintenance Workers will be needed in the Park Maintenance Division to meet the needs of the facility.
- With the opening of the five new baseball / softball fields and improving the service level
  of maintenance, opportunities will exist to increase utilization, requiring two part-time
  Facility Attendants and one part-time Recreation Leader III in the Recreation Division for
  administrative and on-site support. The Recreational Leader III will support marketing
  efforts, processing permits, and other administrative duties to drive utilization towards
  optimal standards.
- Overall, maintenance funding is not in alignment to sustain Legacy Fields as a premier venue for local league and tournament play.

In order to align on-going maintenance funding with the current maintenance and operational needs of Legacy Fields, staff is requesting an additional \$960,000 in FY23/24 to fund the various positions and equipment identified. This will also require one-time asks in the amount of \$680,000 in Measure V (Fund 107) to hire staff and purchase necessary equipment in the current fiscal year. The request for on-going funding will be a part of the annual FY23/24 budget process and no formal action is requested with this agenda item.

Additionally, a phased approach to the staffing recommendations within the Pros report is recommended. The report identifies the need for six additional part-time positions. Those positions will be put on hold until the facility is fully operational. This strategy will allow management the opportunity to focus on training new staff and adjusting to utilization trends. Future additional part-time staff will be hired primarily to support weekend and tournament usage.

# FISCAL IMPACT

Staff is requesting one-time appropriations from Measure V (Fund 107) in the amount of \$600,000 for the purchase of equipment and \$80,000 for staffing, maintenance, and operations to maintain and operate Legacy Fields for the remainder of FY22/23. The on-going costs for staffing, maintenance and operations will be increased by \$960,000 beginning in FY23/24. This will be programmed into the budget for next fiscal year. This does not include any extra revenues that will offset these expenditures. Revenues are only an estimate and will need to be adjusted once the actual revenues come in.

# COORDINATION

The Parks and Recreation Department coordinated with Finance, Utilities & Operations (Urban Forestry Division), and Mobility & Housing (Economic Development Division) during the Legacy Fields operational analysis.

# STRATEGIC PLAN

This agenda item is consistent with the City Council's adopted Quality of Life strategies and respective goals.

# CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT

This is an operational item and CEQA does not apply.

# ACTION REQUESTED OF THE CITY COUNCIL

Staff recommends that City Council adopt a resolution authorizing the 1) appropriation of \$600,000 from Measure V (Fund 107) as one-time funding to the Parks and Recreation Department for the purchase of equipment to maintain and operate Legacy Fields, 2) Authorizing the Budget Officer to amend the City's position control roster for FY22/23, and 3) appropriation of \$80,000 from Measure V (Fund 107) as prorated funding to fund the Parks and Recreation Department for staffing, maintenance, and operations to maintain and operate Legacy Fields for the remainder of FY22/23.

Prepared by: Richard Joaquin, Parks Planning & Development Manager

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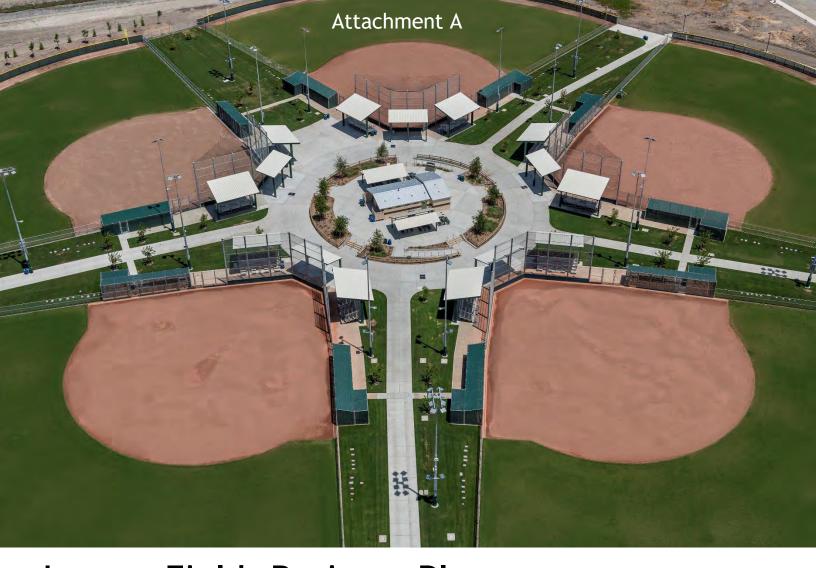
Reviewed by: Brian MacDonald, Director of Parks and Recreation

Sara Cowell, Director of Finance Riana Daniel, Deputy City Attorney Karin Schnaider, Assistant City Manager

Approved by: Midori Lichtwardt, Acting City Manager

# <u>ATTACHMENTS</u>

Attachment A – Legacy Fields Business Plan Executive Summary



Legacy Fields Business Plan Executive Summary

2023







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# Chapter One – EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

### 1.1 OVERVIEW

Located on the north side of Tracy, Legacy Fields Sports Complex represents years of planning and partnerships between the City of Tracy and local youth sports leagues. The name "Legacy Fields" touches on the history of Tracy and will provide opportunities for local and regional sports leagues to leave their legacy within the community for generations to come.

The completion of Phase 1, anticipated for the Spring of 2023, will include 10 lighted diamond fields, eight lighted multi-purpose fields, three restroom/concession buildings, one restroom building, paved parking lots, a maintenance yard and landscaping throughout the site. At full build-out, Legacy Fields will consist of 166-acres of active recreation and will serve as the largest multi-sport facility in the region.

The vision for Legacy Fields is that it will become a desired location for youth and adult sports tournaments, as well as local youth sports league play and related events. In an effort to realize this vision, the City of Tracy desired to determine the best practice standards by which to operate and maintain Legacy Fields.

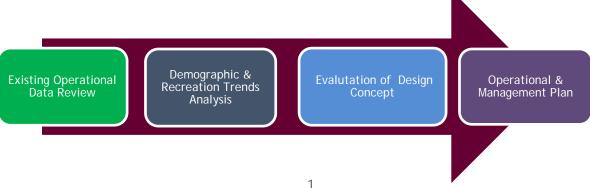
### 1.2 PROJECT OUTCOMES

The outcomes of Legacy Fields Business Plan are to:

- Review of Legacy Fields' existing and future site plans.
- Analyze current utilization of Legacy Fields.
- Gather and review operational, maintenance and financial information through workshops, focus group and stakeholder meetings with City staff.
- Assess the market definition of Legacy Fields, including service area and competition.
- Determine projected increases in utilization related to completion of Phase 1 of Legacy Fields.
- Establish best practice standards for the operations and maintenance of the park.
- Identify the potential economic impact of Legacy Fields.
- Provide a roadmap that ensures financial sustainability of Legacy Fields.

# 1.3 PROJECT PROCESS

The process of developing the Tracy Legacy Fields Study followed a logical planning path as illustrated below:





# 1.4 LEGACY FIELDS STUDY ORGANIZATION

This Legacy Fields Study presents the overall analysis, findings, and recommendations of the consulting team related to the areas outlined in the scope of services. This study begins with an Introduction that provides an overview, and the following sections respond to the desired categories outlined in the study scope to reveal findings, determine needs and to offer operational improvement recommendations.

# 1.5 SUMMARY OF KEY FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

A variety of key findings were identified to support the implementation of the Field Study. These key findings help to guide decision-making for the next fifteen years.

# 1.5.1 SERVICE AREA PROFILE – 90 MINUTE DRIVE TIME

A 90-minute drive time to the City of Tracy was determined to be the "primary service area" for Legacy Fields as shown in the map below:



#### **POPULATION**

The service area population is currently 5.97 million and is projected to experience a 15% population growth over the next 15 years. This is in-line with the national average over the same time period. With a growing population, park and recreation services will need to strategically invest, develop, and maintain athletic facilities in relation to current and future residential growth. PLEASE NOTE: The City of Tracy's current population (92,269) makes up approximately 1.5% of the total population of the service area.

#### AGE SEGMENTATION

The service area has a balanced age segmentation with the largest group being 55+. Over the next 15 years, the service area is projected to remain balanced but also age slightly as the 55+ segment will be 32.6% in 2036.

# RACE AND ETHNICITY

A diversifying population will likely focus the service on providing traditional and non-traditional programming and service offerings while always seeking to identify emerging activities and sports that in some cases will be defined by cultural influences.

#### HOUSEHOLDS AND INCOME

With median and per capita household income averages in-line with state and above national averages, it would be important for the city to prioritize providing offerings that are first class with exceptional customer service while seeking opportunities to create revenue generation where practical.





#### 1.5.2 LEGACY FIELDS CURRENT UTILIZATION AND REVENUE

- The utilization of existing athletic fields varies from moderate utilization (all West Ball Diamond Fields) to low utilization (all other fields).
- Soccer Field 1 has the highest annual usage of all of the soccer fields. Utilization capacity exists
  at all other fields at the Soccer Complex due, in part, to current scheduling and utilization of
  the fields by local organizations.
  - o PLEASE NOTE: 63% of the current utilization of soccer fields occurs on Saturday and Sunday by local soccer organizations.
- The West Complex Ball Diamonds are currently being utilized at moderate level due to the fact that the fields are lighted.
- The current utilization of East Ball Diamond Fields is limited due to the lack of athletic field lighting and support amenities such as restrooms and concessions.

The following provides a snapshot of the annual utilization of the current athletic fields at Legacy Fields.

# **2021 UTILIZATION**

SOCCER FIELD	Total Hours Utilized - 2021
Soccer Field 1	539
Soccer Field 2	111
Soccer Field 3	137
Soccer Field 4	255
Soccer Field 5	239
Soccer Field 6	176
Soccer Field 7	95
Soccer Field 8	144

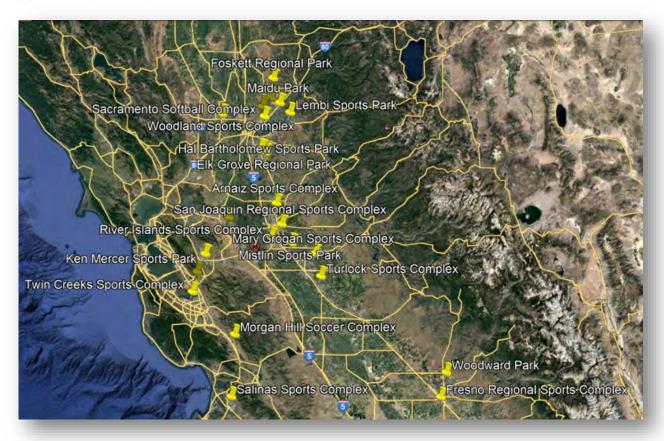
DIAMOND FIELD	Total Hours Utilized - 2021
West Ball Diamond 1	610
West Ball Diamond 2	724
West Ball Diamond 3	686
West Ball Diamond 4	694
West Ball Diamond 5	688
East Ball Diamond 1	200
East Ball Diamond 3	477
East Ball Diamond 4	553
East Ball Diamond 5	481

- Soccer Fields: Average annual hours utilized per field = 212
- West Diamond Fields: Average annual hours utilized per field = 680
- East Diamond Fields: Average annual hours utilized per field = 428
- Revenue generation for Legacy Fields in 2021 totaled \$155,481, which equates to a cost recovery rate of approximately 11%.

# 1.5.3 SPORTS COMPLEX COMPETITION ANALYSIS

A sports complex competition analysis for the City of Tracy athletic fields was analyzed for a minute drive time. PROS Consulting looked at private and public sports complexes within the drive time service area. PROS Consulting identified each complex that the City of Tracy competes to draw sports tourism to the community.

#### COMPETITION MAP OVERVIEW



Legacy Fields is positioned well as a location that can draw sports tourism to the City of Tracy. Specifically, the baseball/diamond field complexes (upon completion of Phase 1 in the Spring of 2023) are in the upper tier of the market with 10 fields, whereas the soccer complex is in the middle tier with 8 fields.

PLEASE NOTE: Most sports tournaments are held on weekends (Friday, Saturday and Sunday). Given the current local demand and utilization of the Soccer Complex at Legacy Fields as noted on page 22 (63% of current usage is on Saturdays and Sundays), it is unlikely that these fields will be a major contributor to sports tourism in Tracy year-round.



### 1.5.4 MAINTENANCE

#### MAINTENANCE MANAGEMENT PLAN

Through the review of data and workshops with staff, the PROS Consulting team determined that the Legacy Fields does not have a formalized, documented, detailed maintenance management plan. A formalized maintenance management plan includes well defined task/frequency maintenance standards.

#### STAFFING LEVELS

The Legacy Fields maintenance operation is comprised of only 5.66 full-time equivalents (FTES), not including recreation management positions.

With the current responsibility of actively managing 18 athletic fields and approximately 38 non-athletic field acres with nearly 400 young trees, the maintenance operation DOES NOT HAVE the staffing capacity to manage Legacy Fields at Level 1 maintenance standards. In summary, the maintenance operation of Legacy Fields is understaffed by approximately eight (8) FTE.

### ANNUAL LEGACY FIELDS MAINTENANCE FUNDING

Based on analysis conducted by PROS Consulting, overall funding and unit costs are NOT in alignment with best practice cost per athletic field/acre.

- Current Annual Legacy Fields Maintenance Operation Budget = \$1.24 million.
- Total Developed Sports Complex Acres Maintained (including 18 athletic fields) = 72.
- The required annual Legacy Fields maintenance operation funding is \$2.14 million an increase of approximately \$900,500 annually.

### 1.5.5 FINANCIAL PROJECTIONS - OPERATIONS

The following is a summary of the projected revenues and total expenditures for the sports complex over a six-year period.

Pro Forma Revenues & Expe LEGACY FIELDS REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES	enditures					
	1st Year	2nd Year	3rd Year	4th Year	5th Year	6th Year
Revenues*						
Sports Complex Revenue	\$656,425.00	\$676,117.75	\$696,401.28	\$717,293.32	\$738,812.12	\$760,976.48
Total Revenues	\$656,425.00	\$676,117.75	\$696,401.28	\$717,293.32	\$738,812.12	\$760,976.48
Expenditures	\$2,341,605.67	\$2,411,853.84	\$2,484,209.45	\$2,558,735.74	\$2,635,497.81	\$2,714,562.74
Net Revenues Over (Under)						
Expenditures	(\$1,685,180.67)	(\$1,735,736.09)	(\$1,787,808.17)	(\$1,841,442.42)	(\$1,896,685.69)	(\$1,953,586.26)
Total Cost Recovery	28%	28%	28%	28%	28%	28%

\*NOTE: Revenues assume a full-time year of operations. First year revenues could be significantly less based on when during the fiscal year the facility starts operations, and the initial marketing and promotional efforts. PROS anticipates that the full potential revenues will be reached by the fifth year of operations.

PLEASE NOTE: Of the \$2.34 million operating budget, approximately \$2.14 million (or 91%) is allocated to the maintenance of the complex while \$200,000 (or 9%) is dedicated to recreation expenditures required to support the utilization of Legacy Fields (booking management, facility attendants, etc.).

In summary, Legacy Fields is projected to:

- 1. Generate \$656,000 in operating revenue annually, an increase of approximately \$500,000.
- 2. Require \$2.34 million in annual operating expenditures.
- 3. Require an annual net subsidy of approximately \$1.69 million, an increase of \$400,000.
- 4. Recover, through operating revenue, 28% of its annual operating expenditures.

# 1.5.6 ECONOMIC IMPACT

The total direct economic impact of Legacy Fields sports complex tourism is shown in the table below. The economic impact of Legacy Fields is total output of \$1,897,460 and \$1,692,603 of final demand effect value-added with a local job impact of 32 full-time jobs.

				(Impact of Estimated Tourism)					Direct Effiect		
Industry Segment	Ca	Total Rev/Sales aptured by cal Region		nal-demand ut /1/ (dollars)		Final-demand Earnings /2/ (dollars)	Final-demand Employment /3/ (number of jobs)	1	inal-demand lue-added /4/ (dollars)	Direct-effect Earnings /5/ (dollars)	Direct-effect Employment /6/ (number of jobs)
Sports Complex Revenue	\$	50,400	_	78,201		22.720	1	\$	73.086	\$ 35,246	2
Accommodation	\$	380,160	\$	593,506		150,239	6	\$	523,175	\$ 23,533	8
Other Retail	\$	228,096	\$	347,527	\$	93,223	4	\$	340,716	\$ 135,611	5
Food services and drinking places	\$	570,240	\$	878,227	\$	238,303	13	\$	755,626	\$ 343,633	16
Total Annual Spending	\$	1,228,896	\$	1,897,460	\$	504,486	24	\$	1,692,603	\$ 538,024	32



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### TRACY CITY COUNCIL

<b>RESOLUTION N</b>	0.

AUTHORIZING THE 1) APPROPRIATION OF \$600,000 FROM MEASURE V (FUND 107) AS ONE-TIME FUNDING TO THE PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT FOR THE PURCHASE OF EQUIPMENT TO MAINTAIN AND OPERATE LEGACY FIELDS, 2) AUTHORIZING THE CITY'S BUDGET OFFICER TO AMEND THE CITY'S POSITION CONTROL ROSTER FOR FY22/23, AND 3) AUTHORIZING THE APPROPRIATION OF \$80,000 FROM MEASURE V (FUND 107) AS PRORATED FUNDING TO FUND THE PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT FOR STAFFING, MAINTENANCE, AND OPERATIONS TO MAINTAIN AND OPERATE LEGACY FIELDS FOR THE REMAINDER OF FY22/23

**WHEREAS**, operations and maintenance of Legacy Fields began in 2012 with the completion of Phase 1A; and

**WHEREAS,** Legacy Fields has been the only project to date with operational costs being funded by Measure V, which have stayed static since 2018 and while the addition of amenities to Legacy Fields has continued to grow; and

**WHEREAS,** capital investment in new fields, sport field lights, plaza areas, restrooms, parking lots, landscape areas, etc. have outpaced the resources required to maintain the facility to City standards; and

**WHEREAS,** the City Council has consensus on using 25% of the annual Measure V revenue for operational costs of projects funded by Measure V, which was adopted through Resolution 2019-232 on November 19, 2019; and

**WHEREAS,** in 2021, the City entered into a professional services agreement with Pros Consulting, Inc. (Pros) for research, market, and operational analysis for Legacy Fields; and

**WHEREAS**, the goal of Pro's analysis was to identify the specific operational needs and have resources in place at the completion of Phase 1 to protect the City's investment at Legacy Fields: and

**WHEREAS,** by having the staffing and resources in place when current construction is complete, the City will be taking a proactive approach by preserving its investment as utilization facility wide is expected to increase; and

**WHEREAS**, Pros completed an analysis for the facility which included the current management practices and limitations to understand the current conditions and based on operations, expanded staffing and resources are recommended to meet the standards set within the plan; and

**WHEREAS,** the additional resources being requested will ensure the facility is maintained as the City's premier sports complex, maximizing revenue generation, sustaining a high quality of play, and preserving capital assets so they meet their useful life; and

WHEREAS, the City requires additions to the Parks & Recreation position control roster (1) Senior Maintenance Worker, and (4) Maintenance Workers I/II; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED:** That the Tracy City Council hereby adopts a resolution authorizing the appropriation of \$600,000 from Measure V (Fund 107) as one-time funding for the purchase of equipment for Legacy Fields; and be it

**FURTHER RESOLVED:** That the Tracy City Council hereby adopts a resolution authorizing the Budget Officer to amend the City's position control roster for FY22/23; and be it

**FURTHER RESOLVED:** The Tracy City Council hereby adopts a resolution authorizing the appropriation of \$80,000 from Fund 107 as prorated funding to fund for staffing, maintenance, and operations to maintain and operate Legacy Fields for the remainder of FY22/23.

The foregoing Resolution 2023-\_\_\_\_ was adopted by the Tracy City Council on April 18, 2023, by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS:
NOES: COUNCIL MEMBERS:
ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBERS:
ABSTENTION: COUNCIL MEMBERS:

NANCY D. YOUNG
Mayor of the City of Tracy, California

# Agenda Item 3.A

# **RECOMMENDATION**

Planning Commission recommends that the City Council conduct a public hearing and, upon conclusion, introduce an Ordinance 1) certifying an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) and adopt a Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program (MMRP) and findings of fact and a statement of overriding considerations (together, CEQA Findings) for the annexation and future development of industrial buildings on the 191.18-acre property located at the northeast corner of Grant Line and Paradise Roads (Assessor's Parcel Numbers 213-170-14, -24, -25, -26, -27, and -48, collectively the Property) in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA); 2) amending the Northeast Industrial (NEI) Specific Plan to add the Property to the NEI Specific Plan area with a land use designation of Light Industrial (SPA22-0003); 3) approving the prezoning of the Property to Northeast Industrial Specific Plan Zone (AP20-0003); and 4) approving the submittal of a petition to the San Joaquin County Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCo) for annexation of the Property to the City of Tracy.

# **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The Planning Commission recommends that the City Council adopt an ordinance to: (1) certify an EIR and adopt an MMRP and CEQA Findings, (2) amend the NEI Specific Plan to bring the Property within the coverage of the Specific Plan with a land use designation of "Light Industrial;" (3) prezone the Property with a zoning designation of NEI Specific Plan Zone; and (4) authorize Staff to submit to the San Joaquin LAFCo a petition to annex the Property to the City. The proposed Specific Plan land use and zoning designations would allow development of the Property with approximately 3.3 million square feet of warehouse and related uses, and the EIR evaluates the potential environmental effects from this level of development. On January 25, 2023, the Planning Commission considered the EIR and voted 4 to 0 (one member was absent) to recommend that the City Council certify the EIR as adequate and in full compliance with CEQA requirements and approve the applications noted above.

# BACKGROUND AND LEGISLATIVE HISTORY

The Property has been located within the City's Sphere of Influence (SOI) since the July 1993 General Plan Update. In the 30 years since the Property has been within the SOI, it has been designated Industrial by the City's General Plan. Lands within the City's SOI can be pursued for annexation into the City limits and, upon approval of annexation by the San Joaquin County LAFCo, become the subject of development applications presented to the Planning Commission and City Council. In 2019, LAFCo approved the City's Municipal Services Review, which shows the Property is located within the 10-year planning horizon. LAFCo policies required 10 and 30-year "horizons" in an effort to plan for and evaluate upcoming development within the City's SOI. LAFCo's policies allow for the annexation of lands within both the 10- and 30-year horizons, with lands in the 10-year horizon anticipated (though not required) to be annexed first, as landowner demand for development of properties is not controlled by the City.

When annexing property into the City, pre-zoning must be established to determine the zoning designation that will take effect upon annexation approval by LAFCo. The proposed zoning is the City's existing NEI Specific Plan Zone, as set forth in Tracy Municipal Code Section

10.08.3022. Because the Property is not yet within the NEI Specific Plan area, the addition of this Property to the NEI Specific Plan Zone will also require an NEI Specific Plan amendment, revising the boundary map of the Specific Plan area to include the Property and assigning the Property a land use designation of Light Industrial. Any future development of the Property will be required to comply with the design and development requirements of the NEI Specific Plan.

On January 25, 2023, the Planning Commission held a public hearing and voted 4 to 0, with one member absent, to recommend that the City Council adopt an ordinance to certify the EIR, amend the NEI Specific Plan, pre-zone the Property, and authorize the submittal of a petition to LAFCo to annex the Property to the City.

# **ANALYSIS**

# Project Proposal

The proposed Project would establish land use and zoning designations for the Property that would govern development of the Property upon its annexation to the City. The proposed land use and zoning designations would allow for development of up to 3,352,320 square feet of warehouse and distribution and related uses on the Property.

The Property consists of six (6) separate parcels totaling approximately 191.18 acres. The six parcels are owned by three different parties: the Tracy Alliance Group owns two parcels totaling approximately 122.44 acres; Suvik Farms, LLC, owns three parcels totaling approximately 46.61 acres; and Zuriakat owns one parcel of approximately 22.17 acres. All Property owners have signed the City applications. The Property is within unincorporated San Joaquin County adjacent to the City's northeastern City limits and adjacent to the City's NEI Specific Plan area (Attachment A). Any development of the Property in the City would require approval of annexation into the City by the San Joaquin LAFCo, an amendment to the NEI Specific Plan, pre-zoning, a Tentative Parcel Map or Lot Line Adjustment(s) to create the final lot configurations, and one or more Development Review Permits. Because the applicants have not yet determined the ultimate lot configurations or finalized any development plans, any applications for tentative maps, lot line adjustments or development review permits would be processed at a later date by City staff.

# Land use, Zoning and Specific Plan

The subject Property is within the City's SOI, with a General Plan land use designation of Industrial. The applicants propose to annex the Property into the City Limits, amend the NEI Specific Plan to incorporate the Property and assign it a land use designation of Light Industrial, and assign it a zoning designation of NEI Specific Plan Zone. This zoning for the site is logical as it is adjacent to the existing NEI Specific Plan area and all the adjacent properties are developed with warehouses, as is proposed for the Property. This is also consistent with the General Plan designation of Industrial, which was assigned to the Property when it was first added to the SOI in 1993 and has remained since that time. The proposed revisions to bring the Property within the coverage of the NEI Specific Plan can be found in Attachment B. The NEI Specific Plan is the principal planning document for the area, and approximately 80% of the existing Specific Plan area is already developed. In accordance with the City's General Plan policies, including Land Use Objective 2.3, the annexation and development of this acreage is consistent with the expansion of the City's industrial base. Annexation and development of the Property is a logical extension of the City limits, has been planned as a part of the City's SOI

for 30 years, and has been anticipated by the City's infrastructure planning as a part of its Infrastructure Master Plans.

# Timing of Development

With the Property divided among three property owners, staff expects development of the Property to occur in three phases, with the Tracy Alliance Group developing its portion of the Property first. Based on preliminary site plans provided by the Group, this first phase is expected to include three warehouse buildings totaling approximately 1.8 million square feet on the Group's 122.44 acres. Staff has no information about the timing of development on the Suvik Farms and Zuriakat parcels.

### CEQA DETERMINATION

The Project is subject to the environmental review requirements of CEQA. On August 28, 2020, the City published a Notice of Preparation (NOP) for the EIR, to solicit comments from responsible agencies, various City departments, and the public regarding what areas and issues should be studied in the EIR. A scoping meeting for that NOP was held by the Planning Commission on September 9, 2020, after which the EIR analysis commenced. On April 20, 2022, the City published a Notice of Availability for the Draft EIR (Attachment D), notifying the public of its publication and of opportunities for public review and comment, and a public hearing to solicit comments was held on May 25, 2022. The public comment period closed on June 3, 2022. On January 25, 2023, the Planning Commission considered the EIR and voted 4 to 0 (one member was absent) to recommend that the City Council certify the EIR as adequate and in full compliance with CEQA requirements.

During the public comment period for the Draft EIR, the City received six written comment letters, and one verbal comment at the Planning Commission hearing. Four (4) additional comment letters were received after the close of the public comment period. Two were received in August 2022, shortly after the close of the public comment period. Two additional comment letters, both from the Sierra Club, were received in February 2023, eight months after the close of the public comment period and several weeks after the Planning Commission's January 25 hearing. Written responses have been prepared to all comments, including the verbal comment and all late comments, and are included in the Final EIR (Attachment E). In response to the Sierra Club's February 2023 letters, Mitigation Measure AIR 1.e was revised, at the request of the Sierra Club, to add signage requirements to control truck traffic entering and exiting the project site and to advise truck drivers that truck traffic to and from the project site is not permitted in the community of Banta, to the east of the project site. These additional mitigation measures do not change the analyses or any of the conclusions in the EIR and do not require recirculation of the Draft EIR under applicable CEQA requirements.

The analyses of the potential environmental effects as noted in the Draft and Final EIRs results in the conclusion that some impacts of the proposed Project are potentially significant and unavoidable. These include the following:

- Project-level conversion of prime farmland
- Cumulative conversion of prime farmland
- Project-level impact related to implementation of the applicable air quality plan
- Project-level impact related to cumulatively considerable net increase of reactive organic gases and carbon monoxide during construction, and reactive organic gases and oxides

of nitrogen during operation

- Project-level impact related to exposing sensitive receptors to substantial pollutant concentrations
- Cumulative air quality impact
- Project-level vehicle miles traveled (VMT) impact
- Cumulative VMT impact

The State Guidelines for CEQA provide that "no public agency shall approve or carry out a project for which an EIR has been certified which identifies one or more significant environmental effects of the project unless the public agency makes one or more written findings for each of those significant effects, accompanied by a brief explanation of the rationale for each finding. The possible findings are:

- (1) Changes or alterations have been required in, or incorporated into, the project which avoid or substantially lessen the significant environmental effect as identified in the final EIR.
- (2) Such changes or alterations are within the responsibility and jurisdiction of another public agency and not the agency making the finding. Such changes have been adopted by such other agency or can and should be adopted by such other agency.
- (3) Specific economic, legal, social, technological, or other considerations, including provision of employment opportunities for highly trained workers, make infeasible the mitigation measures or project alternatives identified in the final EIR." (Guidelines, § 15091).

The required findings must be supported by substantial evidence in the record.

CEQA requires that a lead agency (the City) balance the benefits of a project against its unavoidable environmental risk in determining whether to approve the project. If the benefits outweigh the unavoidable adverse effects, those effects may be considered "acceptable" pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15093(a). CEQA requires that a lead agency support, in writing, the specific reasons for considering a project acceptable when significant impacts are infeasible to mitigate. Those reasons must be based on substantial evidence in the EIR or elsewhere in the administrative record pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15093(b). The lead agency's written reasons are referred to as a Statement of Overriding Considerations. These findings and the Statement of Overriding Considerations, referred to herein as the "CEQA Findings", can be found in Attachment F. In addition, as required by Section 15097 of CEQA's implementing regulations, the City has prepared a Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program (MMRP) to ensure that, if the Project is approved, the mitigation measures in the EIR will be implemented appropriately. The MMRP can be found in Attachment G.

# PUBLIC OUTREACH / INTEREST

This item was duly noticed in the local newspaper and public hearing notices were mailed to all owners of property within 300 feet of the subject site. There was additional outreach throughout the CEQA process where, at each stage, the various portions of the project's CEQA review (NOP, DEIR, FEIR) were posted with the State Office of Planning and Research, the San Joaquin County Clerk, posted on the City's website, and mailed/emailed to all interested parties on the Tracy Alliance and overall CEQA interested parties lists.

The Planning Commission met and considered this agenda item on January 25, 2023. After

hearing from staff, the applicant, and various interested parties, voted 4-0 (with one member absent) to recommend that City Council certify the EIR and approve the applications.

# **COORDINATION**

This development application was reviewed by multiple City Departments and the South San Joaquin County Fire Authority as part of the City's normal application review process. As a part of the Project review, the EIR was also provided to the State Office of Planning and Research, various State and County agencies, posted at the San Joaquin County Clerk's office and on the City's website. This staff report was prepared by the Development Services Planning Division.

# FISCAL IMPACT

This agenda item will not require any expenditure of funds. A Cost Recovery Agreement was executed with the applicants at the time of application, with the applicants reimbursing the City for all the costs associated with the review of the applications, including the EIR.

# ACTION REQUESTED OF THE CITY COUNCIL

The Planning Commission recommends that the City Council approve an Ordinance in substantially the form of Exhibit 1 to Attachment H, to:

- 1. Certify an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) and adopt a MMRP and CEQA Findings for the annexation and future development of industrial buildings on the 191.18-acre Property located at the northeast corner of Grant Line and Paradise Roads (Assessor's Parcel Numbers 213-170-14, -24, -25, -26, -27, and -48) in accordance with the CEQA; and
- 2. Amend the NEI Specific Plan to add the Property to said specific plan with a land use designation of Light Industrial (SPA22-0003); and
- 3. Approve the prezoning of the property to Northeast Industrial Specific Plan Zone (AP20-0003); and
- 4. Approve the submittal of a petition to the San Joaquin County LAFCo to annex the Property to the City of Tracy.

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# <u>ATTACHMENTS</u>

Attachment A – Location Map

Attachment B – NEI Specific Plan Amendment

Attachment C – Draft Site Plan for Alliance Property

Attachment D – Draft EIR, including the Notice of Preparation

Attachment E - Final EIR

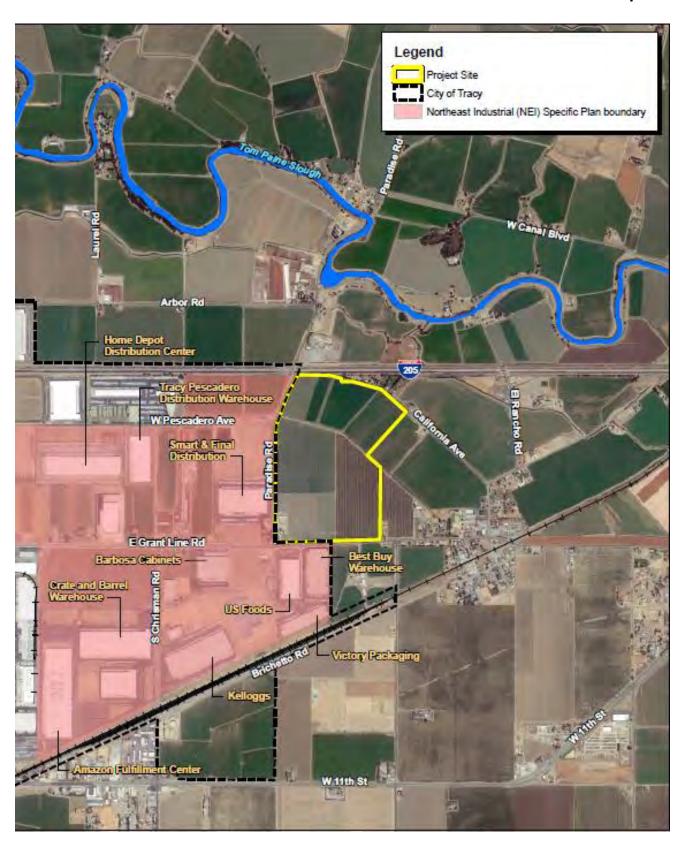
Attachment F – CEQA Findings

Attachment G – CEQA MMRP

Attachment H – Proposed City Council Ordinance

Attachment I - Powerpoint Presentation

# **Attachment A: Location Map**



# City of Tracy NORTHEAST INDUSTRIAL SPECIFIC PLAN

July 17, 2012 (Amended \_\_\_\_\_, 2023)

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#### INTRODUCTION

The 1,061-acre Northeast Industrial Area Specific Plan aims to develop a well-planned industrial zone that will attract businesses to Tracy, and provide local employment opportunities. The Specific Plan anticipates a mixture of industrial uses, including rail-dependent industries and "flex-tech" light industrial.

#### PLANNING AREA LOCATION

#### Location

The Northeast Industrial planning area lies along the northeast boundary of the City of Tracy. The area is generally bounded to the north by 1-205, to the south by the Southern Pacific Railroad tracks, to the east by Banta Road, and the west by MacArthur Drive. Grant Line Road bisects the area.

#### **Surrounding Land Uses**

Presently, properties along MacArthur Drive directly west of the site are developed with industrial uses, such as the U.S. Cold Storage facility. North of the site are industrial and commercial uses, including the Tracy Outlets at MacArthur Drive and Pescadero Avenue. The Yellow Freight Company is also located to the north, between the site and 1-205. Agricultural uses are found on lands to the east.

Lands directly to the north and west of the site are included in the I-205 Corridor Specific Plan and the 1988 Industrial Areas Specific Plan. To the east is the residential Banta area of the county. The project site in the context of the existing industrial and commercial uses, and existing specific plan areas is shown in Figure 1.

#### **Land Ownership**

The Northeast Industrial planning area is currently made up of 67 properties, with a variety of owners. Parcels range in size from small half acre home sites to large agricultural and industrial holdings. The assessor's parcel numbers and ownership of the area is shown in Figure 2a and 2b.

#### **EXISTING PLANNING AREA CONDITIONS**

#### **Site Features**

Land uses within the Northeast Industrial Area are currently light industrial and agricultural, with a number of dairy operations and rural residences remaining. Few other significant site features are present. The topography is relatively level.

A Westside Irrigation District (WSID) supply or tailwater ditch crosses the area. Two properties near I-205 are located just inside the FEMA 100 year flood line found in the vicinity of the I-205/Paradise Road overcrossing. The 100-year floodplain impacts on the NEI Specific Plan area would only result from the unlikely event of a levee failure along the San Joaquin River or Paradise Cut. Furthermore, the volume of the breach flow would need to be sufficient to inundate over 10 square miles prior to flows reaching the NEI area, which is an extreme event. If flood flows reached the NEI, they would fill available storage in the stormwater detention basin below the flood level and any additional flood flow volumes would be pumped into the Eastside Channel. Furthermore, the City's Municipal Code (Title 9 Building Regulations, Chapter 9.52 Floodplain Regulations),

would require all new construction and substantial construction pertaining to buildings have the lowest floor, including basement, elevated to or above the base flood elevation.

The existing conditions of the planning area are shown on Figures 3 and 4.

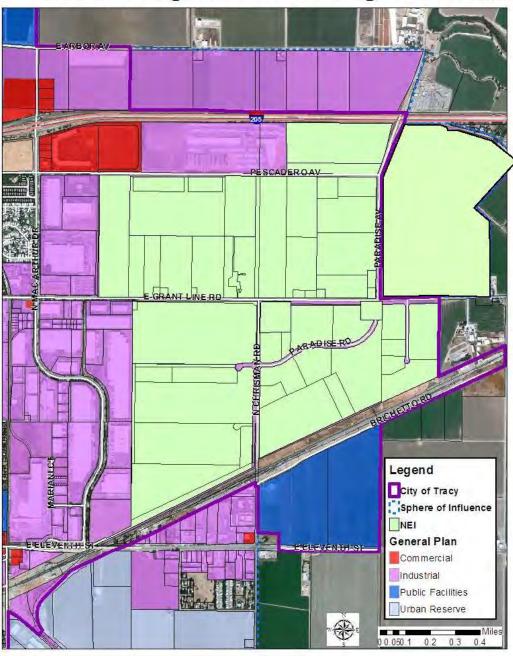
None of the parcels are under Williamson Act contracts, except for the Suvik Farms parcels (Parcel Numbers 64, 65 and 66 on Figure 2b). The Suvik Farms parcels are covered by an active Williamson Act contract. Pursuant to the applicable provisions of the California Government Code, the Suvik Farms landowners initiated a Notice of Nonrenewal in 2017 for the contract, beginning a nine-year process to formally expire the contract. Based on the date of the Notice of Nonrenewal, the contract will expire on August 21, 2026. Should development of the Suvik Farms parcels be pursued prior to the Williamson Act contract expiration date, the applicant for the development of the Suvik Farms parcels would be required to petition the City Council for cancellation. So long as the cancellation occurs prior to urban development, then no conflicts would occur.

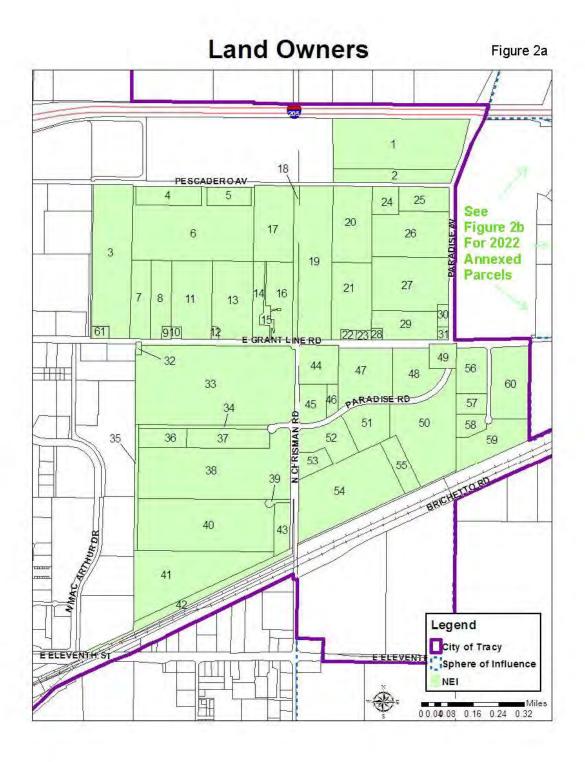
#### **Existing Roadway Network**

The Plan area is served by a number of existing roadways, some of which have been improved to meet the circulation needs of the NEI area, and others that will be constructed or improved as traffic demand requires.

Regional access for the area is provided by Interstate 205 (I-205) to the north and Interstate 5 (I-5) to the east. I-205 is an east-west freeway which extends from I-5 west to I-580 with I-580 continuing west into the Bay Area. I-5 is a north-south freeway which extends throughout California. Currently, Plan area access to I-205 is via an interchange at MacArthur Drive. I-5 access is via the full access interchange at Kasson Road (an extension of Grant Line Road). I-5 access is also available (to/from the north only) via an interchange at Eleventh Street. The primary local roadways serving the area are MacArthur Drive, Pescadero Avenue, East Grant Line Road, Chrisman Road and Paradise Road.

# Surrounding Land Use Designations Figure 1





#### **LAND OWNERS**

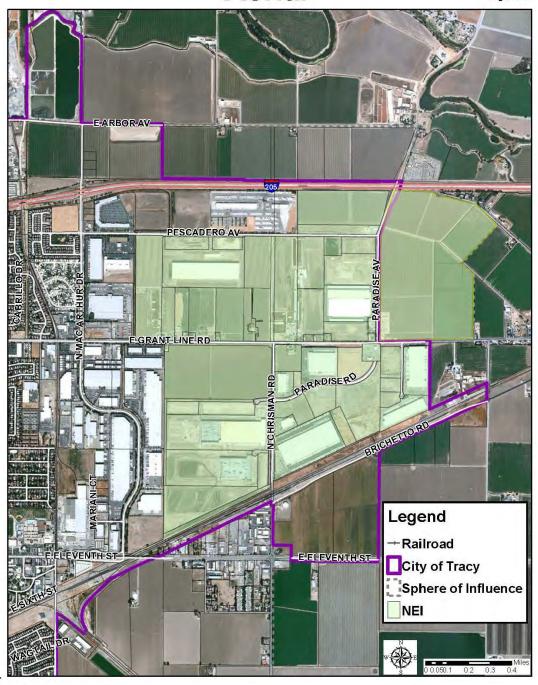


Number	APN	OWNER	LOT SIZE (ACRES)
1	213-060-12	RADOS PROPERTIES CALIF LAND LLC	42.42
2	213-060-13	HALEY DOROTHY TRUSTEE	9.78
3	213-070-81	PIMENTEL VELMA C	35.95
4	213-070-75	PONY UP TRACY LLC	7.68
5	213-070-74	OLD GOLDEN OAKS LLC	5.35
6	213-070-73	US INDUSTRIAL REIT CONTAINER III	44.03
7	213-070-22	PIMENTEL VELMA C	9.79
8	213-070-28	MATTSON HELENE A	9.1
9	213-070-29	MATTSON HELENE A	0.689
10	213-070-19	ROBERTSON STANLEY & B	0.703
11	213-070-20	SILVA BERNARDINE M	18.88
12	213-070-18	ENDER WENDELL F & M L	0.519
13	213-070-40	PIMENTEL JOSEPH L	18.99
14	213-070-41	MARTY MARILYN	6.32
15	213-070-17	MARTY MARILYN	2.27
16	213-070-39	MARTY MARILYN	11.41
17	213-070-06	TRACY PESCADERO INDUSTRIAL PARK	19.46
18	213-070-48	SILVA MARIA O	5.34
19	213-070-48	SILVA MARIA O	33.86
20	213-070-49	SILVA MARIA O	19.55
21	213-070-08		17.55
		SILVA MARIA O	
22	213-070-52	SILVA MARIA O	1.005
23	213-070-53	SILVA MANUEL H	1.005
24	213-070-76	PROLOGIS LOGISTICS SERVICES INC	4.8
25	213-070-77	PROLOGIS LOGISTICS SERVICES INC	8.19
26	213-070-78	PROLOGIS LOGISTICS SERVICES INC	22.08
27	213-070-79	PROLOGIS LOGISTICS SERVICES INC	25.15
28	213-070-13	ENDER ALVETA F	0.839
29	213-070-80	PROLOGIS LOGISTICS SERVICES INC	11.3
30	213-070-44	RUSE JOSEPH T & PATRICIA A	1.619
31	213-070-45	ENDER BUDDY C	0.9
32	250-020-15	COSTA ROBERT J SR & EVELYN M	0.5
33	250-020-14	ROCHA MANUEL TOSTE JR	79.03
34	250-020-79	CATELLUS CORPORATE CTR TRACY LLC	3.17
35	250-020-82	CATELLUS CORPORATE CTR TRACY LLC	2.87
36	250-020-80	CATELLUS CORPORATE CTR TRACY LLC	5.8
37	250-020-81	CATELLUS CORPORATE CTR TRACY LLC	10.08
38	250-020-83	CATELLUS CORPORATE CTR TRACY LLC	52.13
39	250-020-84	CATELLUS CORPORATE CTR TRACY LLC	0.773
40	250-020-85	CATELLUS CORPORATE CTR TRACY LLC	44.44
41	250-020-87	CATELLUS CORPORATE CTR TRACY LLC	33.53
42	250-010-05	UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD COMPANY	9.18
43	250-020-86	CATELLUS CORPORATE CTR TRACY LLC	5
44	250-030-10	SILVA FRANK I & MARY L	9.28
45	250-030-29	1851 E PARADISE ROAD PARTNERS LLC	6.56
46	250-030-30	BIG 4 GROUP LLC	2.17
47	250-030-27	BARBOSA INVESTMENT GROUP LTD PTP	17.73
48	250-030-28	BARBOSA INVESTMENT GROUP LTD PTP	12.59
49	250-030-02	TRACY CITY OF	4.24
50	250-030-26	HEADLANDS REALTY CORP	31.17
51	250-030-25	HEADLANDS REALTY CORP	10.51
52	250-030-24	TRACY LOGISTICS CENTER PARTNERS LLC	10.48
53	250-030-23	TRACY LOGISTICS CENTER PARTNERS LLC	4.48
54	250-030-18	TCE TRACY LLC	37.96
55	250-030-19	AMB HOLDCO LLC	6.35
56	250-280-09	AMB PROPERTY LP	8.81
57	250-280-08	AMB PROPERTY LP	3.96
58	250-280-07	AMB PROPERTY LP	3.89
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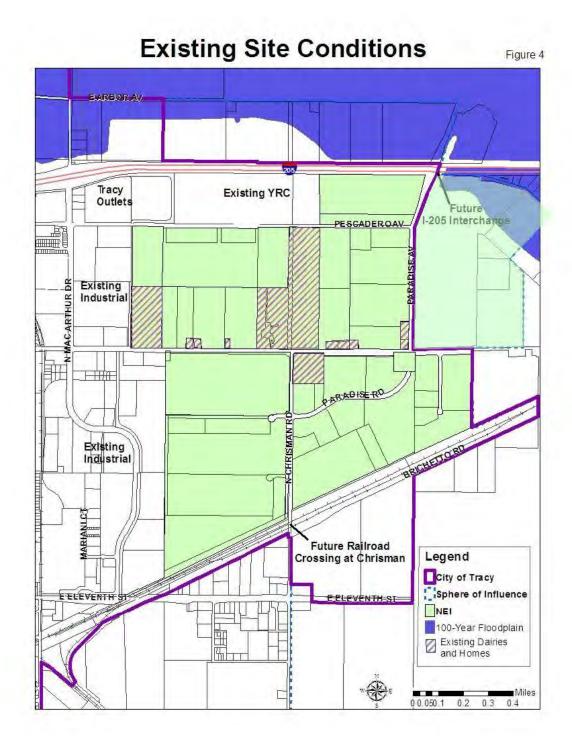
62	213-170-27	TRACY ALLIANCE GROUP, LLC	122.39
63	213-170-48	PACIFIC T&T COMPANY	0.05
64	213-170-24	SUVIK FARMS	31.67
65	213-170-25	SUVIK FARMS	11.70
66	213-170-26	SUVIK FARMS	3.24
67	213-170-14	ZURIAKAT	22.17



Figure 3



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#### **RELATIONSHIP TO TRACY'S GENERAL PLAN**

#### **General Plan Land Use Designations**

The City of Tracy General Plan designates the entire Northeast Industrial area for Industrial land uses. Specific uses allowed in the industrial category range from flex/office space to manufacturing to warehousing and distribution. Ancillary uses, such as restaurants, consumer services, and parks may be allowed to serve the daily needs of the workers.

#### **Tracy's Growth Strategy**

The City of Tracy has embraced a "balanced growth" strategy, seeking to direct growth in an efficient, cost-effective manner, balancing land uses and appropriate use of the land with well-planned and utilized infrastructure. This strategy seeks to improve the jobs/housing balance and to encourage development of employment opportunities and capitalize on freeway interchanges with industrial, retail, and service-related development.

The northeastern sector of Tracy has been designated as one area in which the City's industrial growth will occur. Adjacent to existing industrial development and with direct access to the I-205 freeway and rail transportation, the Northeast Industrial area is ideally situated to attract and support business without the need for major infrastructure expenditures.

#### General Plan Goals Furthered by the Northeast Industrial Area Development

The Northeast Industrial Specific Plan proposes development consistent with the General Plan. It furthers many of the Goals and Policies stated in the General Plan and it implements many of the Actions set forth in the General Plan. Following is a summary of General Plan Goals, Policies, and Actions to which the Northeast Industrial Specific Plan contributes.

#### **Land Use**

#### Objective LU-1.1 Establish a clearly defined urban form and city structure.

Policy P1: New development and redevelopment in existing areas shall be organized as a series of residential Neighborhoods, Employment Areas, Corridors, Village Centers, the Downtown and the I-205 Regional Commercial Area.

 Employment Areas are the job-centers of the city and include office districts, retail centers and industrial areas.

#### Objective LU-2.3 Expand the City's industrial base.

Policy P1: The Northeast Industrial Area should contain a mix of heavy industrial, light industrial, warehouse, and distribution users to maximize rail and highway access on large parcels of land. The Northeast Industrial Area should also contain commercial uses and services to meet the daily needs of workers.

# Objective LU-6.2 Ensure land use patterns that minimize conflicts between transportation corridors and neighboring uses.

Policy P1: Uses that are compatible with the noise, air quality and traffic impacts associated with freeways, such as auto-oriented commercial and industrial uses, should be located near and along freeway corridors whenever possible.

#### **Economic Development**

# Objective ED-4.1 Ensure an adequate, balanced supply of all land uses for future economic development.

Action A1: Monitor current and future land supply needs for industrial, office and retail growth.

#### Objective ED-6.3 Promote expansion in the Northeast Industrial Area.

Policy P1: The City shall encourage and facilitate the development and buildout of the entire 870-acre Northeast Industrial Area.

Policy P2: The City shall direct business attraction efforts to manufacturing uses, rather than warehouse distribution facilities, due to their higher employment densities.

Policy P3: Developers should consider flexible facility design and construction types that can accommodate future manufacturing uses with higher employment densities.

Policy P4: The City should support efforts to attract private developers and equity investors to participate in the development of the area.

#### **Community Character**

#### Objective CC-11.2 Encourage attractive design in Employment Areas.

Policy P1: Development in Employment Areas should adhere to high-quality design standards.

Policy P4: Building setbacks for office buildings or office portions of industrial buildings should be minimized to ensure that buildings define the edges of the street.

Policy P6: Loading facilities in Employment Areas should be screened from view from public streets to the extent possible.

Policy P9: Fencing visible from the public right-of-way shall be visually appealing when used in industrial and commercial developments.

# Objective CC-11.3 Minimize the impact of parking on the pedestrian environment in Employment Areas.

Policy P1: The impact of parking in Employment Areas on the pedestrian environment should be minimized with attractive landscaping.

Policy P2: Parking lots should be set back from the street with a landscaped buffer wherever possible.

#### Circulation

#### Objective CIR-1.4 Protect residential areas from commercial truck traffic.

Policy P1: Significant new truck traffic generating uses shall be limited to locations along designated truck routes, in industrial areas or within ¼-mile of freeways.

#### **PROJECT CHARACTERISTICS**

#### **Project Objectives**

The objectives of the project are:

- To develop the Northeast Industrial Area as a high-quality industrial and commercial site of significant benefit to the City of Tracy and the nearby region.
- To develop a well-planned site that will attract businesses to Tracy, providing local employment opportunities.
- To develop the Northeast Industrial Area for primarily mixed industrial uses, including rail-dependent industries.
- To minimize project-related impacts to Tracy's transportation network.
- To provide a flexible phasing program that allows market forces to dictate reasonable growth increments, while ensuring that agricultural properties are allowed to remain until ready to develop.
- To create a project consistent with the goals of the General Plan.
- To integrate the Northeast Industrial Area into the development pattern of the City of Tracy.
- To integrate mitigation for environmental impacts into the design of the project.

#### **Land Use Designations**

The Northeast Industrial Area will consist primarily of light industrial land uses. In addition, general commercial land uses are planned at major intersections along Pescadero Avenue and Grant Line Road. Figure 5 shows the configuration of the land uses in the planning area.

The development prototypes included in the Design Guidelines indicate possible site planning scenarios for environmental impact analysis.

#### **Light Industrial Land Uses (LI)**

Light Industrial land uses cover approximately 990 acres of the planning area. Assuming a Floor Area Ratio (FAR) of 0.5, approximately 21.6 million square feet of light industrial, warehouse and manufacturing facilities would be provided. Light industrial land uses would be compatible with existing industrial land uses to the west and north, as well as with freeway noise, and rail noise and vibration.

Several types of light industrial land uses are appropriate in the Northeast Industrial Area. It is anticipated that warehousing and distribution businesses with low employee densities will be the predominant development type. This development pattern is similar to those that have located in Tracy in recent years. The southern portion of the Planning Area is appropriate to uses that require rail access.

The City of Tracy is also interested in attracting higher employee density businesses to the area. It is anticipated that there may be a future demand for a "Flex-Tech" development that would accommodate research & development businesses and call centers.

The light industrial zone may also be appropriate for service commercial businesses with little pedestrian traffic, that are not necessarily compatible with general commercial land uses, such as automotive supply and plumbing stores. Commercial development may be permitted on sites designated Light Industrial without the site being redesignated General Commercial if:

- 1. The site is a minimum of one acre and located on the northwest or southwest corners of Pescadero Avenue and Paradise Road or the northwest or southwest corners of Grant Line Road and Paradise Road.
- 2. The site has City Engineer-approved access from at least two streets.
- 3. The proposal is for a convenience retail or general commercial service use to the industrial area, such as restaurants, hotels, or convenience stores and service stations.
- 4. 15,000 square feet of retail within an industrial warehouse located on the southwest corner of Chrisman Road and Paradise Road.

A variety of parcel sizes are foreseeable, probably ranging from 5 to 50 acres, depending upon the type of industrial user attracted to the area. Since market forces will dictate that eventual parcel size, the Specific Plan does not reflect an exact parcelization plan.

#### **Existing Agricultural and Residential Uses**

The parcels containing former dairy operations; existing agricultural operations, and/or former or existing residences, may remain in operation until ready to develop. The planned light industrial land uses will be compatible with these properties. (The agricultural lands are subject to the City's Right to Farm Ordinance, discussed below)

#### **General Commercial Land Uses (GC)**

Three parcels of general commercial, totaling 45.5 acres are provided within the planning area. These commercial sites are intended to expand upon the existing commercial uses adjacent to the I-205/ MacArthur Drive interchange, take advantage of the freeway-oriented traffic circulation of the site, and serve the local industrial community. The largest parcel (25.5 acres) is located in the northwest comer of the project along Pescadero Avenue. This parcel provides for potential factory outlet expansion or other interstate-related commercial uses. General Commercial land uses provide for service commercial oriented land uses, such as animal shelters, who's land use characteristics are compatible with industrial uses.

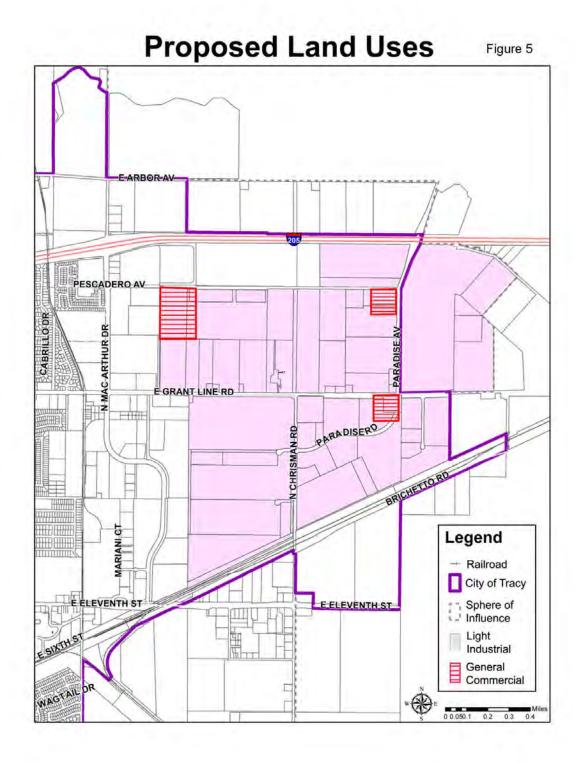
#### **Right to Farm Provisions**

Agricultural operations currently exist within the Northeast Industrial planning area. This Specific Plan intends to allow the continued operation of these existing agricultural uses until such time as the owners wish to convert their property to nonagricultural uses.

When nonagricultural land uses move into areas near to pre-existing agricultural operations, the agricultural operations frequently become the subject of nuisance complaints. Chapter 10.24 of the Tracy Municipal Code, the Right to Farm Ordinance, declares that farming operations are not a nuisance, and recognizes the right to farm within the incorporated City. Agricultural and dairy operations are included in the Permitted Uses (page 36) for both the Light Industrial and General Commercial land use designations.

#### **Mineral Extraction**

A number of the parcels in the Northeast Industrial planning area have mineral rights that are owned by different owners than the underlying land. It is possible that these owners may choose to exercise these rights at some time in the future. As such, mineral extraction is included as a Conditionally Permitted use within the Light Industrial land use designation. Any mineral extraction operation will be unobtrusive, and will be a subsidiary use to the primary use of the parcel.



#### CIRCULATION AND TRANSPORTATION

The Northeast Industrial Specific Plan provides for efficient circulation by automobiles and trucks. The proposed land use mix, street geometry, and proximity to the interstate freeway system will minimize project-related impacts to Tracy's transportation network.

The distribution, location and extent of the roadway improvements within the Specific Plan area shall be subject to the NEI Phase I Finance and Implementation Plans, dated December 1999 (Resolution Numbers 99-462 and 99-485), April 1, 2003 (Resolution Number 2003-100), January 4, 2005 (Resolution Number 2005-023), February 21, 2006 (Resolution Number 2006-069), and April 15, 2008 (Resolution Number 2008-065), and the NEI Phase II Finance and Implementation Plans, dated January 2006 (Resolution Number 2006-038) and January 15, 2008 (Resolution Number 2008-010). All future roadway improvements will also be subject to any revisions or updates to the NEI Finance and Implementation Plans, and subject to the development impact fees as established in those plans. Figures 6 and 7A and 7B show the original roadway network and street sections for the Specific Plan, which will be modified by the Finance and Implementation Plan process.

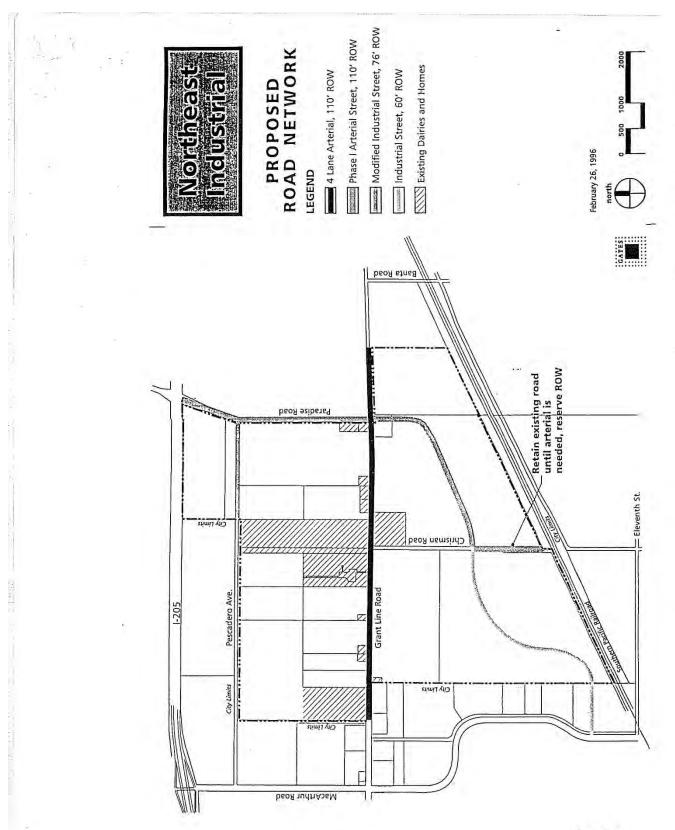
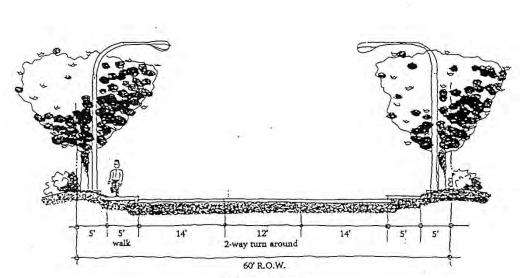
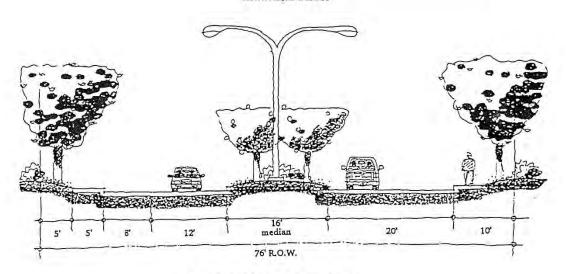


Figure 6



Industrial Street



Modified Industrial Street Section



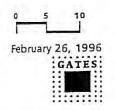


Figure 7A

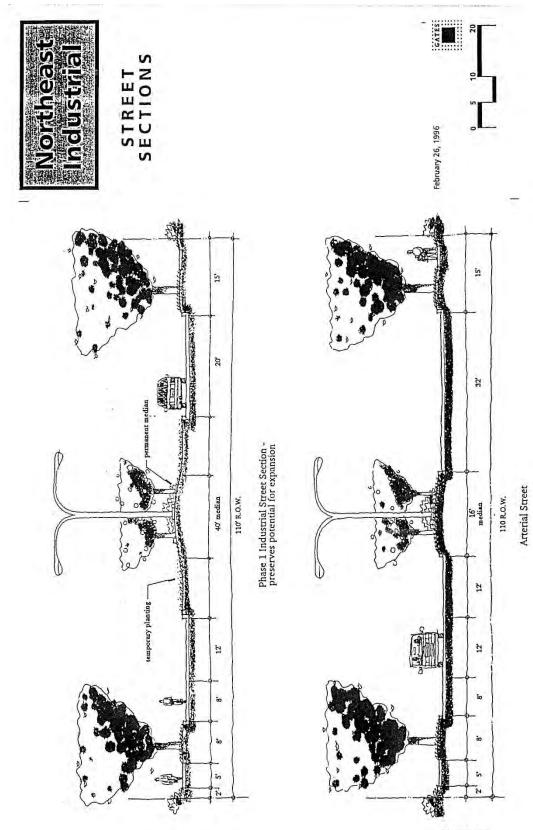


Figure 7B

#### **PUBLIC SERVICES AND INFRASTRUCTURE**

#### **Wastewater Collection and Disposal**

The distribution, location and extent of the wastewater conveyance treatment and discharge within the Specific Plan area shall be subject to the NEI Phase I Finance and Implementation Plans, dated December 1999 (Resolution Numbers 99-462 and 99-485), April 1, 2003 (Resolution Number 2003-100), January 4, 2005 (Resolution Number 2005-023), February 21, 2006 (Resolution Number 2006-069), and April 15, 2008 (Resolution Number 2008-065), and the NEI Phase II Finance and Implementation Plans, dated January 2006 (Resolution Number 2006-038) and January 15, 2008 (Resolution Number 2008-010). All future wastewater improvements will also be subject to any revisions or updates to the NEI Finance and Implementation Plans, and subject to the development impact fees as established in those plans. Figure 8 shows the master sewer plan for the Specific Plan, which will be modified by the Finance and Implementation Plan process.

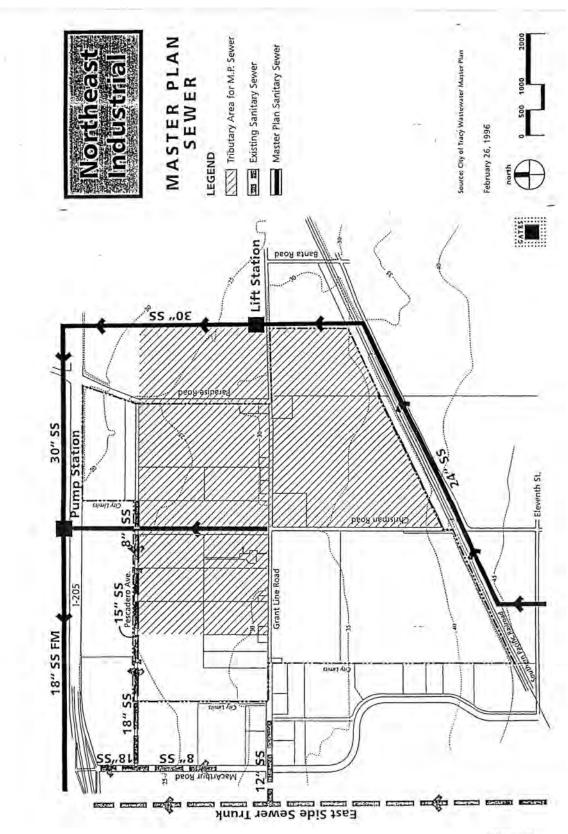


Figure 8

#### **Storm Drainage**

The distribution, location and extent of the storm drainage improvements within the Specific Plan area shall be subject to the NEI Phase I Finance and Implementation Plans, dated December 1999 (Resolution Numbers 99-462 and 99-485), April 1, 2003 (Resolution Number 2003-100), January 4, 2005 (Resolution Number 2005-023), February 21, 2006 (Resolution Number 2006-069), and April 15, 2008 (Resolution Number 2008-065), and the NEI Phase II Finance and Implementation Plans, dated January 2006 (Resolution Number 2006-038) and January 15, 2008 (Resolution Number 2008-010). All future storm drainage improvements will also be subject to any revisions or updates to the NEI Finance and Implementation Plans, and subject to the development impact fees as established in those plans. Figure 9 shows the original storm drainage master plan for the Specific Plan, which will be modified by the Finance and Implementation Plan process.

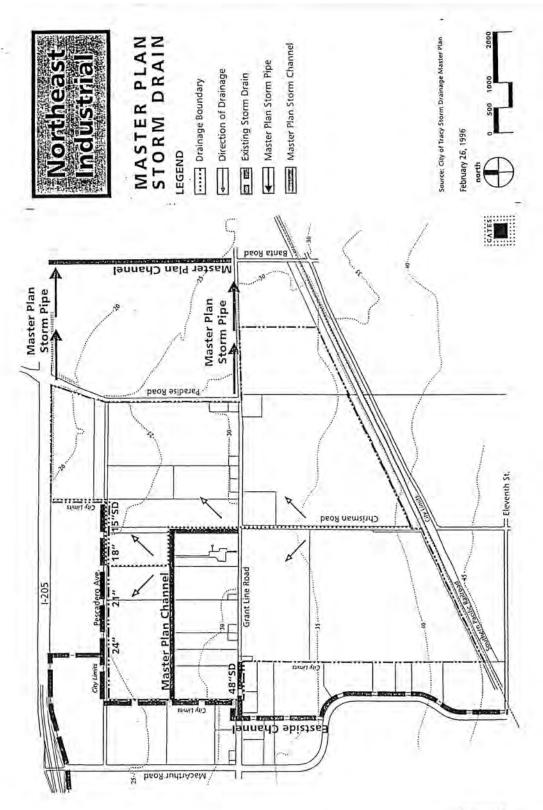


Figure 9

#### **Water Supply and Distribution**

The distribution, location and extent of the water improvements within the Specific Plan area shall be subject to the NEI Phase I Finance and Implementation Plans, dated December 1999 (Resolution Numbers 99-462 and 99-485), April 1, 2003 (Resolution Number 2003-100), January 4, 2005 (Resolution Number 2005-023), February 21, 2006 (Resolution Number 2006-069), and April 15, 2008 (Resolution Number 2008-065), and the NEI Phase II Finance and Implementation Plans, dated January 2006 (Resolution Number 2006-038) and January 15, 2008 (Resolution Number 2008-010). All future water improvements will also be subject to any revisions or updates to the NEI Finance and Implementation Plans, and subject to the development impact fees as established in those plans. Figure 10 shows the original water master plan for the Specific Plan, which will be modified by the Finance and Implementation Plan process.

#### **Police Protection**

Police services to the project will be provided by the City of Tracy Police Department.

#### **Fire Protection**

The planning area is located within the boundaries of the Tracy Fire Department. The Tracy Fire Department will provide fire protection service and paramedic ambulance service to the planning area.

#### **Other Utilities**

Pacific Gas and Electric (PG&E) will provide electricity and natural gas to the planning area. Comcast and/or AT&T will provide telephone/internet service to the planning area.



Figure 10

#### **DESIGN GUIDELINES**

The Specific Plan includes design guidelines and development standards to guide site planning and architecture. These design guidelines are similar to those adopted in the Industrial Areas and I-205 Corridor Specific Plans, which are adjacent to the planning area.

#### **Streetscapes**

- 1. The design of the streetscape should integrate, in a consistent and creative manner, plant materials, paths, berming, lighting, and signage to produce an attractive and functional environment.
- 2. All landscaping should employ a mix of trees, shrubs, groundcovers and turf, where appropriate. The plant palette should be relatively limited and applied in groupings of similar species rather than a few plans of many different species planted together. The use of water conserving plantings, such as California natives and drought tolerant trees, shrubs, and turf is encouraged, and compliance with the state's water efficient landscape guidelines is required.
- 3. The use of lawn substitutes is encouraged in all medians and for parkways. The use of turf should be minimized and reserved for areas of high use or visibility and temporary median planting in anticipation of future street widths.
- 4. Automatic irrigation is required for all landscape areas. Plants should be watered and maintained on a regular basis. Irrigation systems should be designed so as not to overspray walks, buildings, and parking areas, etc. The use of water conserving systems, such as drip irrigation for shrub and tree planting, is encouraged.
- 5. Tree plantings should reflect street hierarchy with larger trees along arterial streets and smaller trees on industrial streets. Tree plantings shall be symmetrical and of the same species in the parkways on both sides of the streets. One tree species or mixture of species shall be planted consistently at regular intervals along the entire length of a street. Spacing interval shall be no greater than 40 feet on center. Where trees are planted in medians, the plantings shall be continuous and at regular intervals. Spacing of median trees shall be no greater than 30 feet on center. Different tree species shall be planted at intersections to highlight these areas.
- 6. Adequate sight lines shall be maintained at all times

#### **Recommended Trees for Major Streets**

The following list identifies recommended trees for the major streets that form the framework of the area:

Street	Parkway	Median
Grant Line Rd	Pistacia chinensis	Prunus serrulata cvs.
	Chinese Pistache	Flowering Cherry
Paradise Rd/ Loop Rd	Celtis sinensis	Pyrus calleryana 'Bradford'
	Chinese Hackberry	Bradford Pear
Pescadero Ave	Fraxinus oxycarpa 'Raywoodii'	Pyrus calleryana 'Aristocrat'
	Raywood Ash	Aristocrat Pear

Select one of the following street trees for use on each industrial road:

Botanical Name	Common Name
Eucalptus gunnii	Cider Gum
Fraxinus oxycarpa 'Raywoodii'	Raywood Ash
Fraxinus uhdei	Evergreen Ash
Platanus acerifolia	Sycamore

#### **Street Lighting**

- 1. Illumination standards for arterial and industrial streets should reflect the different right-of-way widths and functions.
- 2. Light fixtures and standards shall meet all safety standards and shall be employed throughout the length of the street. It is recommended that one lighting fixture style be employed for use on all streets. Where possible, light standards shall be located in medians.

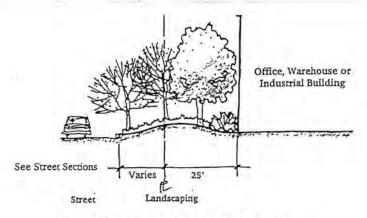
#### **Building Floor Area Ratio and Height**

Land Use	Max. Floor Area Ratio	Max. Building Height	
General Commercial	0.35	46 ft.	
Office	0.35	60 ft.	
Light Industrial	0.50	60 ft.	

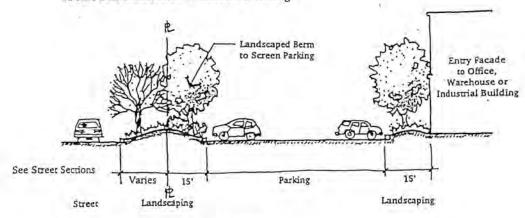
#### **Building Setbacks**

The following shall be the minimum building and parking setbacks required for all building types. Figure 14 illustrates these guidelines.

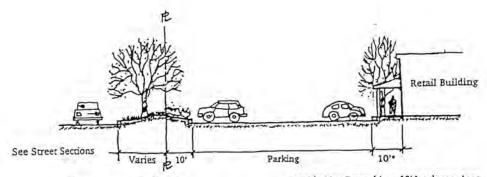
- 1. Building setback from any property line adjacent to a street or Caltrans right-of-way shall be 25 feet minimum. Rear and side yard building setbacks from property lines not adjacent to a street or Caltrans right-of-way shall be 15 feet minimum.
- 2. A 5 foot wide landscape setback is required along property lines not adjacent to a right-of-way. On the property lines perpendicular to the street frontage on industrial streets, the landscaped setback is only required to a point 150 feet onto the parcel from the street right-of-way or 50 feet back of building face, whichever is greater.
- 3. Parking setback from any property line along a public street or the Caltrans right-of-way for commercial land uses shall be 10 feet and for industrial uses shall be 15 feet.
- 4. Parking shall not be permitted within 10 feet of the building entry face of any commercial structure. In the event the building has an arcade or other shade structure along this frontage, the structure can be located within this required setback. Parking shall not be permitted within 15 feet of the office face or portion of a building. On industrial buildings, a 15 foot setback to the parking area shall be provided at building entries.
- 5. Commercial buildings shall be sited so as to create and enhance the streetscape. This can only be accomplished if all or a portion of the buildings are located near the street. On commercial sites of over 4 acres, at least one building must be located with a minimum setback from public-right-of-way to building face of 50 feet. On corner sites adherence to this requirement is encouraged on both frontages, however, only required on the major street frontage.



Front Yard Setback: Without Parking



Front Yard Setback: With Parking



Street ..... Landscaping
Front Yard Setback: With Parking

\*Arcade May Extend into 10' Landscape Area

### SETBACK GUIDELINES



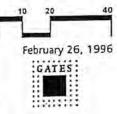


Figure 11

#### Parking and On-Site Vehicular Circulation

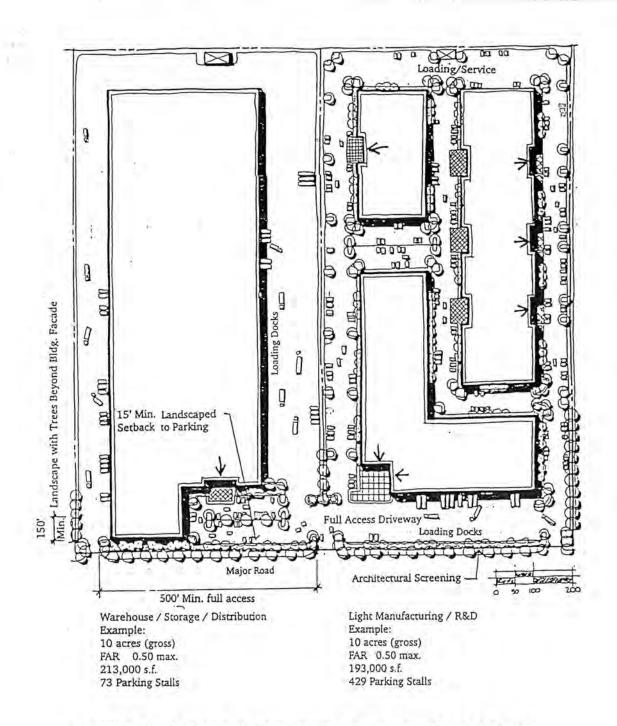
- Parking, on-site circulation, and loading area standards shall be as required by the provisions of Title 10, Article 26, Off-Street Parking Requirements of the Tracy Municipal Code unless modified below or as part of the Development Review approval. Portions of off-street parking requirements are summarize below.
- 2. Parking lots containing 10-20 spaces may include a maximum of 20% of the total number of spaces for compact cars. These spaces shall be designed and marked in accordance with City standards and distributed throughout the lot. Parking areas containing 20 or more spaces may include a maximum of 30% of the total number of spaces for compact cars.
- 3. Minimum off-street parking standards:

Uses	Minimum Parking Spaces Required
Retail Vehicle sales and rentals, including recreational vehicles and mobile homes Office: business, professional (not including medical or dental), banks Dental and medical clinics or office	One space per 250 square feet of gross floor area One space per 250 square feet of gross floor area plus one space per vehicle for sale or stored on lot. One space per 250 square feet of gross floor area One space per 200 square feet of gross floor area
Motor vehicle repair garages	One space per 600 square feet of gross floor area; repair stalls not counted as parking spaces
Cafes, restaurants, and other establishments for the sale and consumption of food and beverages	Dining: one space per 45 square feet of customer area and one space per 250 square feet of all other area, plus additional spaces connected to uses such as drinking establishments. Drinking bars, cocktail lounge: one space per 35 square feet of drinking, bar, lounge area.
Manufacturing	One space per 600 square feet of gross floor area, or if the number of employees on the maximum work shift can be verified, one space per one employee on the maximum work shift
Warehouses/Storage and Distribution	One space per 1,000 square feet of the first 20,000 square feet of gross floor area, plus one space per 2,000 square feet of the second 20,000 square feet of gross floor area, plus one space per 4,000 square feet of the remaining square feet of gross floor area.

#### **Loading and Unloading Spaces**

- 1. Sufficient off-street loading and unloading spaces shall be provided on each site, and adequate provisions and space shall be made for maneuvering freight vehicles and handling all freight. All loading activity, including turnaround and maneuvering, shall be made on site.
- 2. In commercial areas, truck loading areas and docks shall not be permitted between building(s) and the public street unless enclosed with architectural screen of material similar to building.
- 3. In industrial areas, truck loading areas and docks shall not be permitted between building(s) and the street unless the building(s) are set back from the curb a minimum of 125 feet and doors are screened by landscaping, berms, and/or fences.

4. Buildings, structures, and loading facilities shall be designed and placed upon the site so that vehicles, whether rear loading or side loading, may be loaded or unloaded at any loading dock, door, or area without extending beyond the property line.



## LIGHT MANUFACTURING / R&D PROTOTYPE





Figure 12

#### **Driveway Standards**

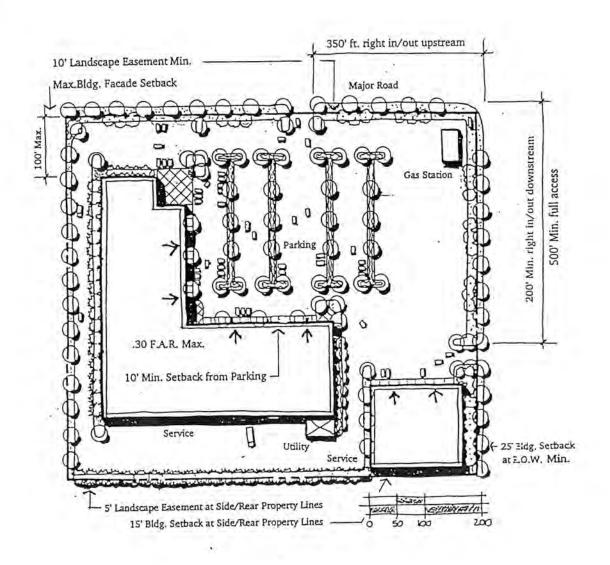
Driveways should be carefully located so as not to impede the primary function of the streets, which is to carry through traffic. It should be noted that these spacing guidelines are minimum values. The goal should be to exceed them where possible.

- 1. Individual industrial parcels on major arterial streets may have driveways, but they should be carefully located so as not to impede the traffic efficiency. In general, parcels with frontage on the major arterials should have their entryway on side streets if possible. If a parcel's only frontage is on the major arterial, every effort should be made to consolidate access at a single driveway. Spacing standards for driveways on major arterials shall be as follows:
  - a. Full access driveways, 500 ft. minimum
  - b. Partial access driveways (right in/out, left turn in), 500 ft. minimum
  - c. Right turn in and out, 350 ft. minimum upstream from an intersection
  - d. Right turn in and out, 200 ft. minimum downstream from an intersection
- 2. On industrial streets, spacing for full access driveways is 450 feet, minimum. "T" intersections are encouraged over four-way intersections. Every effort should be made to consolidate driveways.
- 3. No driveway shall be located closer than 200 feet to the radius return point at intersections.
- 4. Driveways shall be a minimum of 25 feet wide. Subsequent development shall demonstrate driveway width and placement can accommodate truck turning movement and clearing without blocking roadways.
- 5. Driveway width modifications may be approved with shared (ganged) driveways. Ganged driveways which serve two adjacent sites will be required to install landscaped islands along parking adjacent to the gang driveway and a landscape zone at the end of the common drive will act as a terminus to the view line down the ganged driveway.
  - a. Full curb returns (as opposed to a standard driveway) shall be utilized for entries to all sites of over ten acres in size or for common driveways that serve two adjacent sites that together total more than ten acres.
- 6. Access driveways shall provide adequate length to accommodate off-street vehicle stacking needs during times of peak use.
- 7. Parcel entry should be clear, attractive, and inviting; circulation should direct employee and visitor traffic clearly through the site to main building entries and drop-off points and service trucks to loading.
- 8. In commercial areas, vehicular entries to the site shall be well defined and recognizable to motorists. Improvements should include accent paving, signs, special plantings, and lighting. Such improvements shall not block motorists' sight lines to oncoming traffic.

#### **Freeway Interface**

The control of views of Tracy from I-205 is critical for the establishment of a quality image for the community.

- 1. Locate services and storage areas to minimize visibility from I-205.
- 2. All freeway setback zones shall be planted with a combination of trees, shrubs, and groundcover. Automatic irrigation is required of all planted area. Use large scale trees, from a 24-inch box minimum, grouped in single species clusters. Mass trees to avoid blocking views of commercial signage while providing at least one tree per 1,500 square feet of setback area. Plant shrubs in an informal hedge near the property line with gaps between hedges of 50 feet maximum. Install from 5 gallon cans, minimum, in single species clusters at least 100 feet long. Hydroseed or otherwise install permanent groundcover in all places not planted with shrubs.



## COMMERCIAL PROTOTYPE



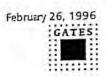
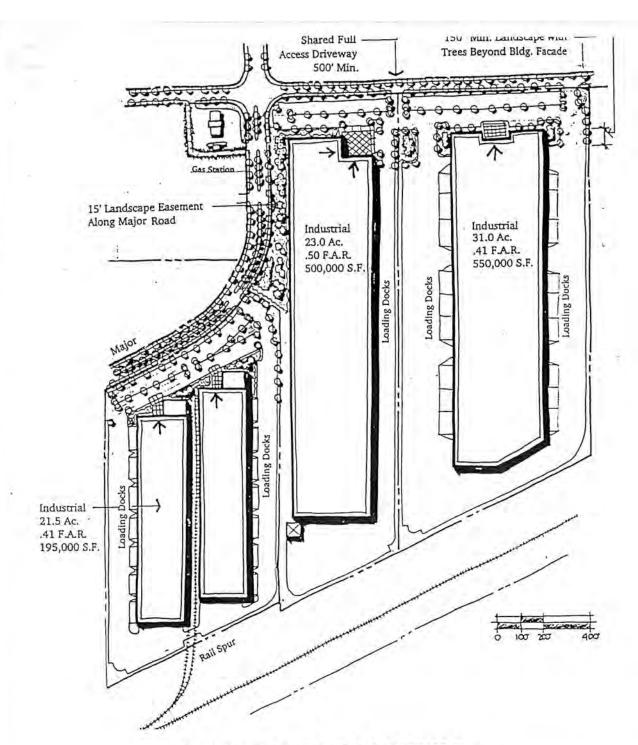


Figure 13



## WAREHOUSE PROTOTYPE

Northeast Industrial

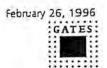


Figure 14

## **Building Architecture**

- 1. Use of creative building design and construction techniques is encouraged. Special attention should be given to that portion of the building visible from adjacent roadways or public parking areas.
- 2. Large buildings should have facades that include variations in massing, form, and texture. Continuous surface treatments of a single material should be minimized. Architecture should be used to highlight building entries.
- 3. Any accessory buildings and enclosures, whether attached or detached from the main building, shall be of similar compatible design and materials.
- 4. Continuous arcades along the front of commercial buildings are encouraged as they provide the pedestrian protection from the weather, reduce solar gain, and can serve to enhance the character of what might otherwise be simple, formless structures. When more than one building is to be developed on a commercial site, the buildings should be designed to relate to one another as a total composition with well thought out relationships to one another.

## Signs

- 1. Signs must conform to the requirements of Signs, Title 10, Article 35 of the Tracy Municipal Code as modified herein.
- 2. A site sign program should be integrated into a total design concept for a site and its buildings. The primary goal of the project sign system is to provide information and identification. When more than one sign is permitted, all signs shall be of similar style, shape, and materials.
- 3. All signs must be approved prior to installation, and should be designed in a manner that coordinates the sign designs and locations with the site plan and building architecture for each project. The sign plans should include:
  - a. Detatched Business Identification Signs: One such monument sign (as defined by the Tracy Municipal Code) shall be allowed for each street frontage of the site. These signs may only contain the symbol and/or name of the business and its street address. The sign shall be free standing, may be double-sided, and shall be set back a minimum of 5 feet from the public right-of-way. Sign area shall not exceed 32 square feet per frontage and sign shall not exceed 6 feet in height from finished grade. Signs should generally be oriented perpendicular to approaching traffic.
  - b. Wall signs: On large single tenant buildings, signs should be located immediately above or adjacent to the primary building entrance. No sign shall extend above dominant roof lines. The area of any single sign shall not exceed 100 square feet. Total area shall not exceed one-half square foot of sign per lineal foot of business being served.
    - On smaller multi-tenant buildings, signs should be located at the frontage of each individual lessee. The area of any single sign shall not exceed 100 square feet nor more than 75 percent of the tenant frontage. Capital letters shall be no more than 2.5 feet in height and lower case letters no more than 1.5 feet in height. When individually-lettered wall signs comprise over 50 percent of the sign area of all sign types, total sign area shall not exceed 1.2 square feet per lineal foot of business being served. When comprising less than 50 percent of the total sign area, the maximum sign area shall be one-half square foot per lineal foot of business being served.
  - c. **Directional Signs:** Signs required or desired to assist patrons in accessing the facility shall be located in the site parking areas. The design of such signs shall be simple and easily legible.

There is no limit to the number of signs provided on a site; however, no single sign shall exceed 6 square feet in area, except that vehicular "stop" signs shall be mounted per State standards.

- 4. A sign may be illuminated provided that no flashing, traveling, animated, or intermittent illumination shall be used. Such illumination shall be confined to the area of the sign except when such illumination is back lighting for an otherwise non-illuminated sign. No sign illumination shall cast a glare which is visible from any street.
- 5. Signs should be constructed with quality materials and in a craftsman-like manner to ensure both an attractive appearance and durability.

## Landscaping

Minimum on-site landscaping requirements shall be established by Off-Street Parking Requirements (Title 10, Article 26 of the Tracy Municipal Code), except as modified below.

Summary of Requirements	Commercial	Industrial
Landscaped frontage setback	10 feet	15 feet
Minimum number of trees in parking area	1 tree per 5 spaces	1 tree per 10 spaces
Percentage of landscaping in parking areas:		
0 - 15 cars	5%	5%
16 - 30 cars	10%	5%
31-60 cars	15%	7½%
Over 60 cars	20%	10%

- 1. While commercial uses benefit from a well-landscaped parking area and visibility from the street, views of industrial uses benefit from a more generously landscaped streetscape. Thus, parking lot landscaping requirements for industrial uses may be reduced as specified in the Off-Street Parking Requirements in order to create a large landscape setback along the street. These provisions allow the reduction of 50 percent of the required landscaping based on the provision of a 15 foot landscape setback along the street frontage. The 15 foot strip may be included in the calculation of the total parking lot landscaping requirement. The remainder of the landscaping requirement must be distributed over the lot(s) to provide shade and landscape building frontage. Canopy trees shall be evenly distributed throughout the parking area to provide shade.
- 2. On-site landscaping along rights-of-way between property lines and buildings, parking lots, or vehicular circulation improvements shall be installed by the property owner. This landscaping shall be designed as an extension of the adjacent public right-of-way landscaping. Completion of landscaping on the site shall be simultaneous with completion of the building and other improvements on the site.
- 3. Landscaping shall not obstruct sight lines at street or driveway intersections.
- 4. In place of the wheel stops at parking lots, landscape areas and pedestrian walkways may be extended not more than 2 feet into required parking spaces, to include a 6" concrete curb. In such cases, no credit toward parking lot landscape requirements shall be given for the resulting additional landscaping.
- 5. Screening of the parking area from public rights-of-way in industrial areas shall be provided with a 2½ to 3 foot high element, measuring from the top of the parking area pavement. Screening may consist of one or a combination of the following:
  - a. Berms landscaped with ground cover, trees, and shrubs;
  - b. Solid, low profile, decorative masonry walls;
  - c. Evergreen shrubbery which, when solely used as screening, shall be continuously maintained to provide solid screening.

- 6. Generous landscaping screening is required adjacent on all street frontages for industrial areas. These areas should be landscaped with a combination of trees, shrubs, and ground cover to soften views of parking areas.
- 7. Tree planting and selection and massing should be compatible with streetscape plantings. Provide minimum 1 tree per 400 square feet of landscape setback. The plant palette should be relatively limited and applied in groupings of similar species rather than a few plants of many different species planted together.
- 8. The use of water conserving plantings, such as California natives and drought tolerant trees, shrubs, and turf is encouraged. The use of turf in the narrow planting islands is discouraged.
- 9. Live plant materials shall be used in all landscaped areas. The use of gravel, colored rock, bark, and other similar materials are not acceptable as a sole groundcover material.
- 10. All trees shall be of 24 inch box size minimum at planting with a minimum branching height 5 years after installation of 10 feet above road or parking surfaces and 6 feet at pedestrian areas. Shrubs shall be of 5 gallon size minimum with a maximum on-center spacing of 24 inches. Likewise, groundcover may be planted at 1 gallon size minimum with a maximum spacing of 12 inches on center.
- 11. Automatic irrigation is required for all landscaped areas. Irrigation systems shall be designed so as not to overspray walks, buildings, and parking areas.

## **Screening and Storage**

- 1. All exterior trash areas, storage structures, and service areas shall be screened from public view with a wall or fence of a minimum height of 8 feet above the street curb level. Storage areas shall be set back a minimum of 50 feet from streets, unless fully enclosed in an architecturally compatible enclosure.
- 2. No storage areas are allowed within the landscape easements, front setbacks, or side or rear yard landscaped buffers.
- 3. Roof-mounted equipment shall be screened from street view. Pad-mounted transformers, utility connections, and meter boxes shall be screened and integrated into the site plan.
- 4. The design of masonry walls, fencing, trash enclosures, and similar accessory site elements should be compatible with the architecture of the building and should use similar materials. Where masonry walls are along property frontage, they should enhance the entrance to the property and should not impair traffic safety by obscuring views. Long expanses of wall surfaces should be architecturally designed to prevent monotony.
- 5. The use of chain link fences shall be discouraged, and no chain link fences shall be visible from any public right-of-way.

## **Development Review Process**

All development in the NEI shall be subject to the requirements of Tracy Municipal Code Article 30, Development Review (TMC Sections 10.08.3920 through 10.08.4110).

#### **Environmental Performance Standards**

#### **Use Restrictions**

No use shall be permitted to exist or operate on any lot which:

1. Emits dust, sweepings, dirt, cinders, fumes, odors, radiation, gases and vapors, or discharges liquid or solid wastes or other harmful matter into the atmosphere or any body of water which may, according to the appropriate agency, adversely affect the health and safety persons within the area or the health and safety of persons in adjacent areas or the use of adjacent properties.

- 2. Discharges waste or any harmful substance, as defined by the Municipal Code, into any public sewer or storm drainage system.
- 3. Produces intense glare or heat, unless such use is performed only within an enclosed or screened area, and then only in such manner that glare or heat emitted will not be discernible from any exterior lot line.
- 4. Creates a sound pressure level in violation of any regulation of any public body having jurisdiction. This requirement shall also be applicable to the disposal of trash and waste materials.
- 5. Allows the visible emissions of smoke (outside any building) other than the exhausts emitted by motor vehicles or other transportation facilities or any emissions in violation of any regulation of any public body having jurisdiction. This requirement shall also be applicable to the disposal of trash and waste materials.
- 6. Creates a ground vibration that is perceptible, without instruments, at any point along any of the exterior lot lines.

#### **Hazardous Wastes and Water Pollutants**

- 1. All new industries locating with the area will be required to obtain a Discharge Permit from the Director of Utilities prior to occupancy. This permit shall establish the amount and quality of wastes allowed to be discharged into the City's sanitary sewer.
- 2. The quality of wastewater entering the city sewage system from the proposed uses shall be measured by the Biochemical Oxygen Demand (BOD) and Total Suspended Solids (TSS) levels referenced in the local Water Quality Control Board 208 Plan. Users that are not expected to comply with these standards will be required to provide on-site pretreatment facilities.
- 3. The storage and distribution of hazardous materials shall be subject to the rules of the San Joaquin County Health District.
- 4. Industries regularly using significant quantities of hazardous chemicals as defined by State Law in the course of their operations shall be required to obtain a Conditional Use Permit.

#### **Mineral Extraction**

- 1. Mineral extraction shall only be permitted as a subsidiary use to main use of the site.
- 2. Locate equipment, storage, and facilities for mineral extraction to avoid visibility from the public street.

## **Dairy Uses**

- 1. With development applications for an individual site, provide information demonstrating provisions of adequate buffers between proposed development and adjacent existing dairy uses.
- 2. Existing dairy uses are exempted from the Environmental Performance Standards.

## **Permitted and Conditionally Permitted Uses**

The following table indicates uses which are to be permitted and permitted subject to Conditional Use Permits in the Northeast Industrial area. The land use designations are abbreviated as follows:

LI: Light Industrial

GC: General Commercial

The uses shown in Table 18 as Permitted ("P") are those that are deemed acceptable anywhere in the assigned land use designation. They are uses that, when developed in conformance with this Plan, will not require special conditions in order to avoid negative impacts.

The uses shown as Conditionally Permitted ("C") are of two types. Some of these uses are not acceptable in every location within a land use but are acceptable in certain locations. Other uses may require special conditions to make them acceptable at particular locations, due to their potential negative impacts on existing or planned uses. This may be because of their potential nuisance aspects, such as noise or hazardous wastes.

Where neither a "P" or "C" is shown for a particular land use district, that use is not allowed.

Table 1: Permitted and Conditionally Permitted Land Uses

Land Uses	LI ●	GC
Agricultural, including dairies	P◊	Ρ ●, ⟨
Accessory uses and structures; not including warehouses located on the same site as a permitted use	Р	Р
Administrative, executive, research, medical offices	Р	Р
Call centers	Р	Р
Accessory uses and structures located on the same site as a conditional use	С	С
Warehousing and distribution facilities	Р	
Manufacturing, repair, assembly, or packaging of products from previously prepared materials, such as cloth, plastic, leather, or semi-precious metals or stones, but not including such operations as saw or planing mills, any manufacturing involving primary production of wood, metal, or chemical products from raw materials	Р	
Manufacture of food products, pharmaceuticals, biotechnology products and the like, but not including fish or meat products, sauerkraut, vinegar, or the like, or rendering or refining of fats and oils.	Р	
Laboratories, including chemical, physical materials testing, electronic, agricultural, photographic film processing, and general research	Р	
Electrical industrial apparatus manufacturing, service, and repairs, including motors, generators, welding equipment, electrical transmission and distribution equipment, and turbines and pumps.	Р	
Manufacture, repair of optical electronic, timing, and measuring instruments	Р	
Dairy products plants	Р	
Machine shops	Р	
Heating, plumbing, and ventilating equipment manufacturing, servicing, repairs	Р	
Refrigerator, furnace, water heater, and other household appliance manufacturing, service and repairs, not incidental to retail sales	Р	

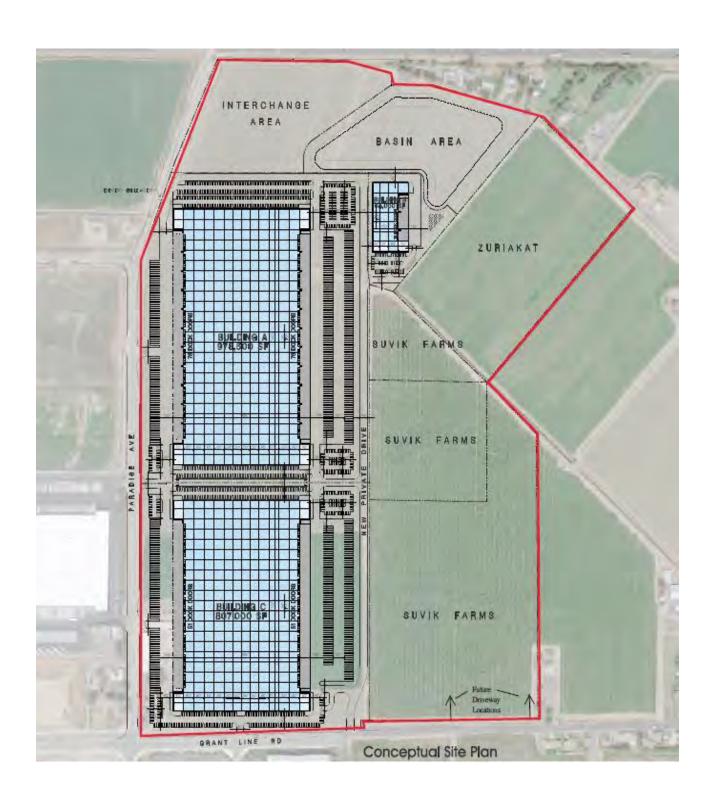
Furniture and cabinet assembling whose activities are carried on entirely within an enclosed building and which have no construction yards on the lot	Р	
Parcel delivery service and vehicle storage inside and outside the building	Р	
Truck terminals	Р	
Mini storage	Р	
Equipment storage	Р	
Janitorial services and supplies	Р	
Printing, including lithographing, engraving, and other such similar reproduction services	Р	
Automotive supply stores	С	
Rental yards, including the rental of hand tools, garden tools, power tools, trucks, trailers, and other similar equipment	С	
Building materials sales, lumberyards (outside storage)	С	
Repair, painting, and body work for automotive, motorcycle, and farm machinery	С	
Boat sales, service, repair	С	
Service stations, provided all operations except sales of gas and oil are conducted within an enclosed building. Sales shall be limited to petroleum products and automotive accessories, and retail products typically found in a convenience store.	С	
Wholesale trade business	С	
Intermediate manufacturing uses involving the processing of raw materials, including food and paper processing, wineries, and concrete mixers	С	
Mineral and hydrocarbon extraction	С	
Recycling (collection and sorting)	С	
Outlet stores and centers		Р
Warehouse retail, including furniture, office supply, sporting goods, or wholesale merchandising		Р
Hardware stores, including garden centers		Р
Home improvement and interior decorating stores, including carpet, drapery, floor covering, paint, glass, and wallpaper shops		Р
Garden centers, including plant nurseries and retail sales		Р
Sporting goods and toy stores		Р
Specialty retail stores selling those items and services normally sold in department stores (including clothing, shoes, and accessories)		Р
Shoe and clothing repair		Р
Food markets, convenience markets		Р
Liquor stores		Р
Drug stores and prescription pharmacies		Р
Restaurants, including fast food		Р

Art galleries and artists supply stores	Р		
Barbershops, beauty shops, and hairstylists	Р		
Financial institutions, including banks, savings and loan offices, finance companies, credit unions, and related services	P		
Refrigerator, furnace, water heater, and other household appliance sales including repair, provided repair services are incidental to retail sales.	Р		
Laundries and dry cleaners	Р		
Photocopying and related duplicating services, not including printing, lithographing, engraving, or such similar reproduction services	Р		
Pet and bird stores with incidental veterinary services	Р		
Animal Shelters	Р		
Video stores, sales, and rental	Р		
Automobile and motorcycle sales and rental, including new and used sales	С		
Bars without significant food service	С		
Building materials sales (no outside storage)			
Miniature golf	С		
Service stations, provided all operations except sales of gas and oil are conducted within an enclosed building. Sales shall be limited to petroleum products and automotive accessories, and retail products typically found in a convenience store.	С		

•: Subject to compliance with the Environmental Performance Standards. Note that as defined by State law, any business using significant quantities of hazardous materials requires a Conditional Use Permit.

**O:** Existing dairy operations are exempt from the Environmental Performance Standards.

## **Attachment C: Overall Site Plan**



# City of Tracy, California Notice of Preparation and Notice of Public Scoping Meeting Tracy Alliance Project

**Date:** August 28, 2020

To: Public Agencies and Interested Parties

From: Bill Dean, Assistant Development Services Director

Victoria Lombardo, Senior Planner

Subject: Notice of Preparation of an Environmental Impact Report and Public Scoping

**Meeting for the Tracy Alliance Project** 

The City of Tracy (City) is the Lead Agency and will prepare a Draft Environmental Impact Report (Draft EIR) for the Tracy Alliance Project (proposed project) identified herein.

The City is soliciting comments from public agencies, organizations, and members of the public regarding the scope and content of the Draft EIR, and environmental issues and alternatives to the proposed project to be addressed in the Draft EIR. The City requests that interested parties provide comments on the proposed project's scope and the content of descriptions of significant environmental issues, reasonable alternatives, and mitigation measures to be explored in the Draft EIR. Public agencies may need to use the EIR when considering permitting or other approvals that are relevant to the agencies' statutory responsibilities in connection with the proposed project.

Because of time limits mandated by State law, public agencies must submit any comments in response to this notice at the earliest possible date, but not later than 30 days after receipt of this notice. The City of Tracy will also accept comments from other interested parties regarding this notice during this period.

Public agencies providing comments are requested to include a contact person for the respective agency. Please send written responses to Victoria Lombardo at the address shown below by September 30, 2020.

Victoria Lombardo, Senior Planner City of Tracy, Development Services 333 Civic Center Plaza Tracy, CA 95376

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Email: Victoria.Lombardo@cityoftracy.org

#### **Public Scoping Meeting**

A public scoping meeting, convened by the City of Tracy Planning Commission, will be held on **September 9, 2020,** starting at **7:00 p.m.** as a Teleconference Meeting, using Webex.

In response to the COVID-19 crisis and Governor's Executive Order N-29-20, this hearing will be conducted utilizing teleconferencing technology. Participants can join the scoping meeting by viewing the City's WebEx Event at https://cityoftracyevents.webex.com and using the following Event

Number: **126 086 2910** and Event Password: **Planning1**; or via phone by dialing (209) 831-6010 during the public comment portion of this item.

At this meeting public agencies, organizations, and members of the public will be able to review the proposed project application materials and provide comments on the scope of the environmental review process.

## TRACY ALLIANCE PROJECT

The project site is located on approximately 191 acres at the northeast corner of Grant Line Road and Paradise Road, in unincorporated San Joaquin County, adjacent to the northeastern boundary of the City of Tracy city limits and the Northeast Industrial (NEI) Specific Plan boundary, but within the City's Sphere of Influence (SOI) (Exhibits 1 and 2). The unincorporated community of Banta lies southeast of the project site. The proposed project is on the United States Geological Survey (USGS) *Union Island* 7.5-minute topographic quadrangle Section 22, 23, and 24 (and El Pescadero Land Grant), Township 2 South, Range 5 East (Assessor's Parcel Numbers [APNs] 213-170-14, -24, -25, -26, -27, and -48).

## 1.1 - Overview

The Tracy Alliance Group, Suvik Farms, LLC., and Zuriakat (co-applicants) are proposing the Tracy Alliance Project (proposed project), which consists of the development of up to 3,352,320 square feet of warehouse development on approximately 191 acres comprising six parcels. The six parcels consist of two Tracy Alliance parcels (totaling 122.44 acres), three Suvik Farms, LLC., parcels (totaling 46.61 acres), and one Zuriakat parcel (22.17 acres).

The project site is within unincorporated San Joaquin County adjacent to the City of Tracy's northeastern city limits and adjacent to the City of Tracy NEI Specific Plan area. The proposed project would require approval of annexation into the City of Tracy, pre-zoning, an amendment to the NEI Specific Plan, and a Tentative Parcel Maps or Lot Line Adjustment to create final development lots.

Development on the two Tracy Alliance parcels, as proposed by co-applicant, Tracy Alliance Group, would consist of 1,849,500 square feet of warehouse space located in three buildings, as well as a stormwater detention basin with a pump station (that would be City-owned and managed). Approximately 13.36 acres of the Tracy Alliance land would be reserved to accommodate a portion of a planned interchange at Paradise Road and Interstate 205 (I-205). The future design of the interchange would undergo a separate environmental review process pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) once funding is programmed and available.

Development plans for the Suvik Farms, LLC., parcels (identified as Suvik Farms parcels) and the Zuriakat parcel are not specified at this time. For the purposes of analysis in the Draft Environmental Impact Report (Draft EIR), buildout of these parcels is estimated to consist of 1,502,820 square feet of warehouse development, consistent with the maximum allowable density per acre identified in the NEI Specific Plan.

The proposed project also includes demolition of existing residential and agricultural buildings, removal of existing trees and crops, road improvements, and grading of approximately 500,000 cubic yards, which would be balanced on-site. Of the 500,000 cubic yards of material graded, approximately 300,000 cubic yards would occur on the Tracy Alliance parcels, approximately 150,000 cubic yards would occur in development of the Suvik Farms parcels, and approximately 50,000 cubic yards would occur in development of the Zuriakat parcel.

## 1.1.1 - Surrounding Land Uses

The area surrounding the project site has both an agricultural and industrial character. Land uses north of the project site consist of single-family homes north of California Avenue; there is a cell tower just east of the terminus of California Avenue. A vehicle dealership and agricultural lands are also to the north (north of I-205). East of the project site is agricultural land with associated single-family homes and agricultural structures and outbuildings. Neighboring properties south and west of the project site consist of agricultural lands and industrial warehouses, which are part of the NEI Specific Plan area, with vacant lots interspersed among the agricultural and industrial lands to the west.

## **Existing Conditions**

The project site consists of six parcels, as shown in Exhibit 3 and listed in Table 1.

**Table 1: Existing Parcels** 

Assessor's Parcel Number	Parcel Naming Convention	Address	Ownership/Applicant	Acreage
213-170-14	Zuriakat Parcel	6050 California Avenue	Zuriakat/ Not Applicable	22.17
213-170-24 213-170-25 213-170-26	Suvik Farms Parcels	6103 Grant Line Road 6281 Grant Line Road 6301 Grant Line Road	Suvik Farms/Souza Realty & Development	31.67 11.70 3.24
213-170-27 213-170-48	Tracy Alliance Parcels	6599 Grant Line Road Grant Line Road (no street number)	Tracy Alliance /Tracy Alliance Group Pacific T & T Company/Tracy Alliance Group	122.39 0.05
			Total	191.22

The project site is relatively flat and low in elevation (15-30 feet above mean sea level) with a gentle topographic slope in the north-northeast direction. There are two existing residences (one occupied and one vacant) and nine agricultural structures on-site in the southwest corner of the Tracy Alliance parcels. The Suvik and Zuriakat parcels do not contain any structures, only row crops. Approximately 118-acres of the Tracy Alliance parcels are currently used for row crop production, including alfalfa, winter wheat, and almonds, with a small cattail marsh in a drainage ditch along the southern side of California Avenue.

Several private dirt roads provide access within the project site; irrigation/drainage canals run along several of these roads. There is also a paved irrigation/drainage canal between the Tracy Alliance parcels and Zuriakat parcel. In addition, there are streetlights and power and telecommunication lines in various locations surrounding the project site.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Terracon Consultants, Inc. 2018. Phase I Environmental Site Assessment: Tracy Ridge. December 21.

Environmental Assessment Specialists, Inc. 2020. Phase I Environmental Site Assessment: Suvik and Zuriakat Properties, page 5.

The site provides suitable foraging habitat with potential to support birds of prey, including Swainson's hawk. Northern portions of the site are within a 100-year floodplain as designated by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).<sup>3</sup> The project site consists of mostly Prime Farmland as mapped by the California Department of Conservation Farmland Mapping and Monitoring Program. Prime Farmland has the best combination of features able to sustain long-term agricultural production with sustained high yields.<sup>4</sup> The Suvik Farm parcels are bound by a Williamson Act contract.<sup>5</sup> The contract is set to expire in 2026. Should development of the Suvik parcels be pursued prior to the Williamson Act contract expiration date, the Suvik landowner will be required to petition the City Council for cancellation.

The Tracy Municipal Airport is approximately 5.82 miles southwest of the project site; the site is not within the Airport Influence Area. The Altamont Corridor Express (ACE) runs trains east from Stockton to San Jose in the morning and back west in the evening; the Tracy Station is located 5.05 miles southwest of the project site. The closest bus stop to the project site is 1.59 miles west at the Shops at Northgate Village. The stop is served by the City of Tracy TRACER bus service Route E, connecting to the Tracy Transit Station, and San Joaquin Regional Transit District bus routes 90 and 97, connecting to Lathrop and Stockton. 6,7,8

#### **Land Use Designations**

The San Joaquin County General Plan (County General Plan) designates the site Agriculture-Urban Reserve (A/UR) (Exhibit 4) which allows for agricultural uses, farm-related residential use, and open space and parks. The A/UR designation reserves areas for urban development if the area is designated for urban development in a city's general plan, and the County determines the area is a reasonable future expansion for the city.

The City of Tracy General Plan (General Plan) designates the project site Industrial (I) (Exhibit 5). Primary land uses allowed under this designation consist of flex/office space, manufacturing, warehousing and distribution, and ancillary uses for workers' needs (e.g. restaurants, parks, consumers services, etc.). The maximum floor area ratio (FAR) is 0.5.<sup>10</sup>

## Zoning

The site is located within the General Agriculture Zoning District with a minimum parcel size of 40 acres (AG-40) on the County's Zoning Map (Exhibit 4). The AG zoning preserves agricultural lands for

Federal Emergency Management Agency. 2019. National Flood Hazard Layer FIRMette. April 6. Website: https://msc.fema.gov/portal/search?AddressQuery=6281%20Grant%20Line%20Road%20Tracy%2C%20CA#searchresultsanchor. Accessed April 6, 2020

<sup>4</sup> California Department of Conservation, Division of Land Resource Protection. 2018. San Joaquin County Important Farmland 2016. May.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> The Williamson Act enables local governments to enter contracts with private landowners to restrict specific parcels to agricultural or related open space use. In return, landowners receive lower property tax assessments.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> City of Tracy. 2019. TRACER Route Map. October.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> San Joaquin Regional Transit District. 2014. Route 90 Map. August 10.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> San Joaquin Regional Transit District. 2013. Route 97 Map. August 11.

<sup>9</sup> Mintier Harnish Planning Consultants (prepared for San Joaquin County). 2016. San Joaquin County General Plan: Policy Document. December.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> Design, Community & Environment (prepared for the City of Tracy). 2011. City of Tracy General Plan. February 1.

continuation of commercial agricultural enterprises.<sup>11</sup> The project site is not within city limits, accordingly, the City of Tracy does not currently provide a zoning designation for the project site; the applicant has requested pre-zoning to a designation of NEI Specific Plan (and annexation into the boundaries of the NEI Specific Plan) as part of the application for development.

## **Project Description**

## 1.1.2 - Land Uses

The proposed project includes demolition of 11 existing residential and agricultural structures on 4 acres located at the southwestern corner of the Tracy Alliance parcels, removal of all crops, and construction of the following primary components:

- Multiple warehouse buildings totaling up to 3,352,320 square feet that support industrial uses and associated offices;
- A 13.01-acre City-owned and managed stormwater detention basin with pump station;
- Approximately 110,000 square feet of landscaped areas associated with the site plan for the Tracy Alliance parcels; and
- Approximately 948 automobile parking spaces and approximately 572 trailer parking spaces provided within the site plan for the Tracy Alliance parcels.

Although development plans for the Suvik and Zuriakat parcels are not specified, these properties will be required to meet the minimum standards for landscaping and parking when a specific Site Plan is processed for those parcels. Based on the site acreage, the City has estimated the theoretical maximum square footage for development and has identified a minimum number of required parking spaces for the based on City code requirements.

The proposed site plan for all parcels is shown on Exhibit 6a and Exhibit 6b depicts a detailed site plan for the Tracy Alliance parcels. Table 2 summarizes locations and square footage for each project component.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> San Joaquin County. 2001. Ordinance Code of San Joaquin County. Section 9-600.1.

**Table 2: Proposed Development Summary** 

	Tracy Alliance Parcel	s (APN 213-170-27, -48	3)	
Land Use (NEI Specific Plan)		Area (square feet)	Total gross square feet	Total acres
Light Industria	l (LI)			
Building A	Warehouse	948,500	978,500	22.46
	Office	30,000		
Building B	Warehouse	62,000	64,000	1.47
	Office	2,000		
Building C	Warehouse	782,000	807,000	18.52
	Office	25,000		
Total		1,849,500	-	
Basin Area		-	-	13.01
			Total	55.46
	Suvik Farms Parcels (A	PNs 213-170-24, -25, -	26)	
Land Use (NEI	Specific Plan)	Maximum	Building (gross square fo	eet)¹
Light Industrial (LI)		1,023,660		
	Zuriakat Parcel	(APN 213-170-14)		
Land Use (NEI	Specific Plan)	Maximum Building (gross square feet) <sup>2</sup>		
Light Industrial (LI)		479,160		
	Total Maximum Building Gro	oss Square Footage :	= 3,352,320	
NEI Specific Pl	building square footage is calculated from t an. The total land area is approximately 2,04 building square footage is calculated from t	7,320 square feet (47	acres).	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The maximum building square footage is calculated from the maximum allowable FAR (50 percent) as set forth in the NEI Specific Plan. The total land area is approximately 958,320 square feet (22 acres). Source: Tracy Alliance Group. 2020.

## **Light Industrial**

The buildings would support warehouse and office uses. Based on the proposed uses described below, it is expected that approximately 1,871 employees would work on-site. 12

## Warehouse

Multiple warehouse buildings are proposed, totaling up to 3,352,320 square feet. Three warehouse buildings are proposed on the Tracy Alliance parcels, totaling 1,849,500 square feet. The number of buildings to be constructed on the Suvik Farms parcels and Zuriakat parcel is not specified at this time. For purposes of analysis in the Draft EIR, it is assumed that buildout on the Suvik Farms parcels

Conversation between Victoria Lombardo, Senior Planner and with Barbara Harb, Economic Development Analyst, City of Tracy in May 2020. Employment data collected by conversations with business owners for various industrial businesses, including warehousing, manufacturing, and employee-intensive (Amazon) warehousing, and existing building square footage data, averaged.

and Zuriakat parcel would be to the maximum allowable FAR of 0.5, which provides the most conservative impact estimates. Although future occupants are unknown at this time, the buildings would be utilized for light industrial uses as defined by the NEI Specific Plan, which is most commonly warehouse and distribution operations with low employee densities. Using the maximum FAR allowed, and accounting for setbacks, parking, access, circulation, and landscaping requirements, the Suvik Farms parcels could support up to 1,023,660 square feet, while the Zuriakat parcel could support up to 479,160 square feet.

#### Office

Office use is permitted within the Light Industrial (LI) designation under the NEI Specific Plan. Each warehouse would include office space for the purpose of facilitating and administering operations of each building and their company occupants. It is assumed that the buildings on the Suvik Farms and Zuriakat parcels would also include office space.

## **Parking**

Parking would be provided pursuant to parking requirements of Tracy Municipal Code Chapter 10.08 Article 26. The required automobile and bicycle parking per parcel are shown in Table 3.

**Table 3: Required Parking** 

Tracy Alliance Parcels (APN 213-170-27, -48)				
Site Area	Building A Building B Building C		Total	
AUTO PARKING REQUIRED	377 44 316		737	
AUTO PARKING PROVIDED	470	57	421	
TRAILER PARKING PROVIDED	319	0	253	572
MINIMUM BICYCLE PARKING REQUIRED	19 <sup>1</sup>	3 <sup>1</sup>	16 <sup>1</sup>	38
	Suvik Farms	Parcels (APN	s 213-170-24, -25, -26)	
AUTO PARKING REQUIRED	276			
MINIMUM BICYCLE PARKING REQUIRED	14 <sup>1</sup>			
	Zuria	kat Parcel (A	PN 213-170-14)	
MINIMUM AUTO PARKING TO BE REQUIRED	140			
MINIMUM BICYCLE PARKING REQUIRED	7 <sup>1</sup>			
TOTAL AUTO PARKING REQUIRED = 1,153			TOTAL AUTO PARKING PROVIDED = 1,364	TOTAL BICYCLE PARKING REQUIRED = 591
Notes: 1. Number of spaces is rour Source: Tracy Alliance Group, 2020	•			

There will be trailer parking provided on the Suvik Farms and Zuriakat parcels, but the count and location of these spaces is not known at this time.

## 1.1.3 - Proposed Land Use Designation and Zoning

## **Land Use Designation**

#### **General Plan**

As described above and shown on Exhibit 5, the City of Tracy General Plan designates the site Industrial. The project site would be annexed into the City of Tracy (as shown in Exhibit 7a) and the current San Joaquin County General Plan designation (A/UR) would no longer apply to the site. Because the proposed project is already designated Industrial by the City of Tracy General Plan, no land use redesignation would be required. Primary land uses allowed under this designation consist of flex/office space, manufacturing, warehousing and distribution, and ancillary uses for workers' needs (e.g. restaurants, parks, consumers services, etc.). The maximum FAR is 0.5.<sup>13</sup>

#### Northeast Industrial Specific Plan

The project site would be annexed into the NEI Specific Plan area, and the NEI Specific Plan would be amended to designate the site LI. Primary land uses allowed within this designation include warehouse and distribution operations with low employee densities. The LI designation also allows for general commercial uses such as automotive supply or plumbing stores. <sup>14</sup> The proposed NEI Specific Plan land use designation is shown in Exhibit 7b.

## Zoning

The project site is currently zoned General Agriculture with a minimum parcel size of 40 acres (AG-40) by the Ordinance Code of San Joaquin County. The San Joaquin County Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCo) will require the City to pre-zone the site in conjunction with the proposed annexation. The project site would be pre-zoned NEI Specific Plan, which would take effect upon annexation into the City. Allowable uses within this zoning district are governed by the NEI Specific Plan and light industrial uses, as described in the NEI Specific Plan, would be allowed. <sup>15</sup> The proposed zoning is shown in Exhibit 7c.

#### 1.1.4 - Circulation and Access

#### Vehicle

Primary vehicle access to the project site would be provided from four access points on Grant Line Road and four access points on Paradise Road; the northerly access point along Paradise Road would be for Emergency Vehicle Access (EVA) only. Once the future I-205 Interchange at Paradise Road is complete, the two northmost access points along Paradise Road (including the EVA) would be slightly modified to accommodate the interchange. A second EVA may be added along California Avenue to provide emergency access to the Zuriakat parcel. The decision to include or not include this EVA would occur during site plan review for any future development on the Zuriakat parcel.

A new signalized intersection on Grant Line Road would provide access to a New Private Drive that would facilitate on-site circulation for the warehouses on the Tracy Alliance parcels as well as access to the Suvik Farms and Zuriakat parcels as shown in Exhibit 6a. The New Private Drive, located along

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> Design, Community & Environment (prepared for the City of Tracy). 2011. City of Tracy General Plan. February 1.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup> City of Tracy. 2012. Northeast Industrial Specific Plan. Pages 10-11. July 17.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>15</sup> City of Tracy. 2016. Tracy Municipal Code Section 10.08.3022 – Northeast Industrial Specific Plan. October 18.

the Tracy Alliance parcels' eastern boundary, would also provide access to the detention basin area. Since no site plan is being processed on the Suvik Farms and Zuriakat parcels, the exact location(s) of access points from the New Private Drive to the Suvik and Zuriakat parcels have not been identified at this time.

#### Future Interchange

The City of Tracy Transportation Master Plan includes improvements to Chrisman Road, which are planned as part of improvements to the City's expressway system, as well as a future I-205/Paradise/Chrisman interchange. The schedule for implementation of the improvements is not known as this time. The proposed project would set aside 13.36 acres in the northwest corner of the project site, which would be sufficient to accommodate the future interchange. The proposed project includes annexation of this land into the city, but does not include any design, analysis, or construction of the future interchange. Therefore, the Draft EIR includes an evaluation of potential impacts of annexing the future interchange area into the City but does not include evaluation of any future construction.

Future design of the interchange would undergo a separate environmental review process pursuant to CEQA and NEPA once funding is programmed and available.

## 1.1.5 - Design, Landscaping, and Lighting

The NEI Specific Plan includes design guidelines and development standards that regulate site planning and architecture within the NEI Specific Plan area. Specific design details are not known at this time, but the proposed project would be required to conform to the design guidelines set forth in the NEI Specific Plan, subject to review and approval by the City's Development Services Director.

#### **Building Design and Height**

The NEI Specific Plan requires that attention be given to parts of any buildings visible from adjacent roadways or public parking. Large buildings should have facades that include variations in massing, form, and texture. Continuous surface treatments of a single material should be minimized. Architecture should be used to highlight building entries. Any accessory buildings and enclosures, whether attached or detached from the main building, shall be of similar compatible design and materials. <sup>16</sup>

The maximum height for LI uses under the NEI Specific Plan is 60 feet. Buildings would not exceed this height.

## Landscaping

Within parking areas on-site, landscaping would conform to the requirements for Off-Street Parking established by Municipal Code Chapter 10.08, Article 26, except where modified by the NEI Specific Plan. Landscaping requirements as set forth in the NEI Specific Plan are summarized in Table 4. Table 4 assumes parking lot landscaping would be decreased by 50 percent, and that a corresponding increase in perimeter landscaping of 50 percent would be provided to compensate, as allowed in the

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>16</sup> City of Tracy. 2012. Northeast Industrial Specific Plan. Page 32. July 17.

Municipal Code.<sup>17</sup> These requirements include designing landscapes as extensions of adjacent public right-of-way landscaping as applicable and completing on-site landscaping simultaneous to completion of buildings and other improvements. Additionally, landscaping shall not obstruct sight lines at street or driveway intersections, and parking areas and project frontages shall be screened from public rights-of-way.<sup>18</sup> Additional landscaping guidelines are available in the NEI Specific Plan.

**Table 4: Summary of City Landscaping Requirements** 

Landscaping Requirement	Industrial Use	
Landscaped frontage setback	10 feet	
Minimum number of trees in parking area	1 tree per 5 spaces	
Percentage of landscaping in parking areas for over:		
0-15 cars	5 percent	
16-30 cars	5 percent	
31-60 cars	7.5 percent	
Over 60 cars	10 percent	
Source: City of Tracy. 2012. Northeast Industrial Specific Plan. July 17.		

#### **Lighting and Signage**

Light fixtures would meet all safety standards pursuant to the latest adopted edition of the California Building Code and would be installed throughout the length of the New Private Drive pursuant to the Municipal Code. The NEI Specific Plan recommends that one lighting fixture style be used on all streets. Where possible, light standards would be located in roadway medians.<sup>19</sup>

Signage would be required to conform to the requirements of Municipal Code Chapter 10.08, Article 35, except as modified by the NEI Specific Plan. A site sign program would be prepared and integrated into the total design concept for the proposed project, and all signs would be approved prior to installation. Project signage may be illuminated provided that no flashing, traveling, animated, or intermittent illumination would be used. Such illumination would be confined to the area of the sign except when such illumination is back lighting for an otherwise non-illuminated sign. No sign illumination would cast a glare which is visible from any street.

## 1.1.6 - Infrastructure Improvements

#### **Domestic Water**

The City's Public Works Department would supply potable water to the project. In the City's 2012 Water System Master Plan, 12-inch water lines were proposed for continuation north on Paradise Road until West Arbor Avenue, and within the project site along the perimeter of the Suvik Farms parcels.<sup>20</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>17</sup> City of Tracy. 2019. Tracy Municipal Code Section 10.08.3560(g).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>18</sup> City of Tracy. 2012. Northeast Industrial Specific Plan. Pages 33 and 34. July 17.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>19</sup> City of Tracy. 2012. Northeast Industrial Specific Plan. Page 24. July 17.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>20</sup> West Yost Associates. 2012. City of Tracy Citywide Water System Master Plan, Figure 8-2 on Page 8-25. December.

The 12-inch water line in Paradise Road has been extended as planned; planned water lines that would traverse through the project site have not yet been installed.

The project proposes to install 10-inch lines to accommodate the level of development proposed on the Tracy Alliance parcels. These lines would connect to the buildings on the Tracy Alliance parcels at several locations (as shown in Exhibit 8). Several fire hydrants would be installed surrounding the buildings on the Tracy Alliance parcels and would connect to the 10-inch water lines. Since no site plan is being processed for either the Suvik Farms or Zuriakat parcels at this time, the location and sizing of water lines will be identified and reviewed by the City as part of subsequent engineering plans when development applications are submitted for these parcels.

## **Stormwater Drainage**

The project site drains generally toward the northeast and has its own sub-basin (E65) within the Eastside Industrial future service area, one of the future development areas where the City anticipates new development. There are no existing stormwater drainage facilities near the project site.<sup>21</sup>

The proposed project includes construction of a stormwater detention basin on-site as identified in the City of Tracy Citywide Storm Drainage Master Plan. <sup>22</sup> The proposed 13.01-acre stormwater detention basin with a pump station would be located along the northeast site boundary. Following its construction, the basin would be dedicated to and managed by the City. Construction of this stormwater detention basin would also support future development within the Eastside Industrial service area and the applicant would be awarded a fee credit against the stormwater impact fee required for the project.

The proposed project would construct a 12-inch forced main storm drain line along the corner of I-205 east and Paradise Road (see Exhibits 8, 9a, and 9b) to connect the proposed on-site detention basin to the City's NEI detention basin adjacent to the western boundary of the project site. Project discharge into the on-site detention basin would be held until the NEI detention basin is drained enough to accept inflow; all stormwater would eventually discharge into the Eastside Channel.

Bio-retention treatment areas would intermittently surround the buildings on the Tracy Alliance parcels and be interspersed throughout the parking lots (Exhibit 9b). On-site storm drain lines within the Tracy Alliance parcels would be 12 inches and would connect bio-retention treatment areas to the proposed on-site detention basin.

Should the NEI detention basin not be finished by the time the proposed project is operational and not able to accommodate flow from the proposed project, the applicant would work with the City to modify the proposed on-site detention basin to ensure stormwater drainage for the project site would be sufficient.

Since no site plans are being processed for the Suvik Farms or Zuriakat parcels at this time, the exact location and sizing of on-site stormwater drainage facilities and how they connect to the on-site

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>21</sup> Stantec. 2012. City of Tracy Citywide Storm Drainage Master Plan. November.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>22</sup> Stantec. 2012. City of Tracy Citywide Storm Drainage Master Plan. Figure 5-1a. November.

stormwater detention basin will be identified and reviewed as part of subsequent engineering plans when development applications are submitted for these parcels.

## Sanitary Sewer

The proposed project is anticipated to include connections to the existing City sanitary sewer system operated by the Public Works Department via the existing wastewater line beneath Paradise Road (see Exhibit 8). <sup>23</sup> An existing 15-inch sanitary sewer line is located within the Paradise Road right-ofway and an existing 10-inch sanitary sewer line is located within Grant Line Road and have sufficient capacity to accommodate the development as proposed. The development of the Tracy Alliance parcels would be served as follows:

- **Building A:** would be served via two proposed 8-inch sanitary sewer lines that would each connect to the existing 15-inch sanitary sewer line in Paradise Road.
- **Building B:** would be served by a proposed 6-inch sanitary sewer line that would traverse the northern side of Building A, connecting to the existing 15-inch sanitary sewer line in Paradise Road.
- **Building C:** would be served by two sanitary sewer lines: (1) a proposed 6-inch sanitary sewer line that would connect to an existing 10-inch sanitary sewer line in Grant Line Road, and (2) a proposed 8-inch sanitary sewer line that would connect to the existing 15-inch sanitary sewer line in Paradise Road.

Since no site plans are being processed for the Suvik Farms and Zuriakat parcels, the exact location and sizing of an on-site sanitary sewer system will be identified and reviewed by the City of Tracy as part of subsequent engineering plans when development applications are submitted for these parcels.

## **Solid Waste and Recycling Collection**

The City Public Works Department provides solid waste and recycling services for areas within city limits and certain surrounding County areas. The Public Works Department has a partnership with Tracy Disposal Service Company to provide residential and commercial solid waste collection and disposal, including recycling and organics services. <sup>24,25</sup> Garbage is collected once a week, and recycling and yard waste are collected on alternating weeks. <sup>26</sup>

Solid waste generated by the proposed project would be accommodated at the Tracy Material Recovery Facility & Solid Waste Transfer (MRF), and then hauled to the Foothill Sanitary Landfill on North Waverly Road east of Tracy. On a designated day, Tracy Disposal Service Company collects and transports solid waste to the MRF.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>23</sup> De Novo Planning Group. 2019. Tracy Municipal Services Review. July.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>24</sup> City of Tracy. 2020. Recycling & Solid Waste. Website: https://www.ci.tracy.ca.us/?navld=688. Accessed April 9, 2020.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>25</sup> Tracy Delta Solid Waste Management, Inc. Website: https://www.tdswm.com/. Accessed April 9, 2020.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>26</sup> City of Tracy. 2020. Garbage & Recycling Schedule. Website: https://www.ci.tracy.ca.us/?navId=700. Accessed April 16, 2020.

#### **Power and Telecommunications**

Electricity and natural gas services for the proposed project would be provided by Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E). There is a natural gas pipeline under Grant Line Road (the southern project site boundary), as well as an electric transmission line above ground.<sup>27,28</sup>

Phone and internet services could be provided by various private companies, including AT&T, Xfinity, Comcast, and Verizon.

## 1.1.7 - Discretionary and Ministerial Actions

Discretionary approvals and permits are required by the City for implementation of the proposed project. The project application would require the following discretionary approvals and actions:

- EIR certification;
- Annexation and Prezoning; final approval action for annexation would be required by San Joaquin Local Agency Formation Commission;
- Northeast Industrial Specific Plan Amendment;
- Development review permit;
- Tentative Parcel Maps or Lot Line Adjustment as needed to create final development lots; and
- Cancellation of the Williamson Act contract on the Suvik Farms parcels (if required).

Subsequent ministerial actions would be required for implementation of the proposed project, including issuance of demolition, grading, and building permits.

## 1.1.8 - Responsible and Trustee Agencies

Several other agencies in addition to the City of Tracy will serve as Responsible and Trustee Agencies, pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15381 and Section 15386, respectively. The Draft EIR will provide environmental information to these agencies and other public agencies, which may be required to grant approvals or coordinate with other agencies, as part of project implementation. These agencies may include, but are not limited to, the following:

- United States Army Corps of Engineers
- United States Fish and Wildlife Service
- California Department of Fish and Wildlife
- California Department of Transportation (Caltrans)
- California Public Utilities Commission
- Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board (Central Valley RWQCB)
- County of San Joaquin
- San Joaquin Local Agency Formation Commission (San Joaquin LAFCo)

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>27</sup> Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E). 2020. Gas Transmission Pipelines. Website: https://www.pge.com/en\_US/safety/how-the-system-works/natural-gas-system-overview/gas-transmission-pipeline/gas-transmission-pipelines.page. Accessed April 9, 2020.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>28</sup> California Energy Commission. California Electric Infrastructure App. Website: https://cecgis-caenergy.opendata.arcgis.com/app/ad8323410d9b47c1b1a9f751d62fe495. Accessed April 9, 2020.

- San Joaquin County Airport Land Use Commission
- San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District (Valley Air District)

Actions that are necessary to implement the project that must be taken by other agencies are:

- Annexation, with Prezoning, of the Project into the City of Tracy (San Joaquin LAFCo)
- Detachment from Tracy Rural Fire District (San Joaquin LAFCo)
- Coverage under General Construction Stormwater Permit (California State Water Resources Control Board/Central Valley RWQCB)
- Approval of Indirect Source Review (Valley Air District)

Issuance of Encroachment Permits for roadway, trail, or utility improvements within facilities under the jurisdiction of Caltrans or the County of San Joaquin may also be necessary.

#### **Environmental Review**

## 1.1.9 - Potential Environmental Effects

The Draft EIR will evaluate potentially significant environmental impacts associated with the approval and implementation of the proposed project. Consistent with the CEQA Guidelines (Appendix G), the following environmental resource categories will be analyzed in relation to the Project:

- Aesthetics
- Agriculture and Forestry Resources
- Air Quality
- Biological Resources
- Cultural Resources
- Energy
- Geology and Soils
- Greenhouse Gas Emissions
- Hazards and Hazardous Materials

- Hydrology and Water Quality
- Land Use and Planning
- Noise
- Public Services
- Transportation
- Tribal Cultural Resources
- Utilities and Service Systems
- Wildfire
- Aesthetics—The Draft EIR will include an evaluation of aesthetic impacts related to the conversion of the site from agricultural to industrial uses.
- Agriculture and Forestry Resources—There are three active Williamson Act contract parcels
  within the project site. The Draft EIR will include an evaluation of converting the project site
  from active agriculture to industrial uses.
- Air Quality—The Draft EIR will include an evaluation of construction-period toxic air contaminants to assess potential construction health risks for area employees. The Draft EIR will also include an evaluation of operational air quality effects.
- **Biological Resources**—There is potential for special-status species on the project site including song sparrow, tricolored blackbird, burrowing owl, San Joaquin kit fox, Swainson's hawk, and

roosting bats. The site contains aquatic features, potentially qualifying as jurisdictional waters of the United States and/or waters of the State. The Draft EIR will include analysis of potential impacts on relevant special-status species and sensitive habitats, including a project specific Biological Resources Assessment.

- Cultural and Resources—The Draft EIR will include a summary of a Phase I Cultural Resources
   Assessment to confirm whether the implementation of the project would result in impacts to
   cultural resources. The Draft EIR will include mitigation, where needed, to reduce potential
   impacts.
- **Energy**—The Draft EIR will include an evaluation of energy use to assess consistency with the City's Sustainability Action Plan.
- Geology and Soils—The project site is not located within in an Alquist-Priolo Earthquake Fault
  Zone. However, the applicant-prepared geotechnical report includes several
  recommendations. The Draft EIR will include an evaluation of site soils and geology and
  recommendations from the geotechnical report will be included as mitigation measures.
- Greenhouse Gas Emissions—The Draft EIR will include an evaluation of construction-period
  greenhouse gas emissions to assess consistency with the City's Sustainability Action Plan. The
  Draft EIR will also include an evaluation of operational-period emissions to assess compliance
  with Valley Air District thresholds.
- Hazards and Hazardous Materials—The Draft EIR will identify impacts and mitigation for
  hazards and hazardous materials. The Draft EIR will summarize the applicant-prepared Phase I
  and Phase II ESAs for the Tracy Alliance parcels as well as the Phase I for the Suvik Farms and
  Zuriakat parcels and include recommendations provided in those reports. Emergency
  response and evacuation impacts will be reviewed, including the proposed emergency vehicle
  access road off Paradise Road.
- Hydrology and Water Quality—The proposed project would involve grading and creation of
  new impervious surfaces that have potential to create runoff. The Draft EIR will include an
  evaluation of increased development and impervious surfaces on water quality, stormwater
  drainage, and other hydrology issues. The Draft EIR will also include an evaluation of
  constructing and dedicating a new on-site detention basin to the City.
- Land Use and Planning—As previously described, the proposed project would include annexation of land into the City and a NEI Specific Plan amendment. Conformity with City policies will be evaluated as part of the analysis.
- **Noise**—The Draft EIR will include an evaluation of construction-period noise based on the estimated equipment list and duration of construction activities. Operational traffic noise impacts will also be evaluated.
- Public Services—The proposed project would include development of new warehouse and
  office buildings that would increase demand for public services, including police and fire
  services. The Draft EIR will include an evaluation of public service impacts related to the new
  industrial operations.

- Transportation—The CEQA analysis will include a comprehensive traffic analysis that
  considers aspects such as roadway design and safety, effects on increased traffic volumes on
  Grant Line Road and Paradise Road as well as other roadways, and analysis of proposed
  improvements. A vehicle miles traveled analysis will also be provided.
- **Tribal Cultural Resources**—The Draft EIR will include analysis of tribal cultural resources and a summary of tribal coordination to confirm whether the proposed project would potentially affect any resources of importance to local tribes.
- Utilities and Service Systems—The proposed project would require extension of public water
  and wastewater systems on-site. The Draft EIR will evaluate potential impacts associated with
  construction of the proposed utility extensions, as well as operational components of the City
  water supply, stormwater, wastewater, solid waste collection systems, and private power and
  telecommunications provision.
- **Wildfire**—The Draft EIR will include an evaluation of wildfire risk in the City and identify impacts, if any, associated with implementation of the proposed project, including mitigation, if required.

It is anticipated that the following environmental topics will not require detailed analysis, and instead will be addressed under an Effects Found not to be Significant chapter of the Draft EIR:

- Mineral Resources—There are no known mineral resources located on or adjacent to the project site. As such, the proposed project would not result in significant effects related to mineral resources.
- Population and Housing—The proposed project would require removal of one occupied
  residential structure and prezoning of agricultural land. Although the project would displace
  the existing occupied residence and associated structures, the proposed project would not
  necessitate construction of replacement housing elsewhere not already anticipated by the
  City.
  - It is expected that employees from the local labor force would be the primary source for workers, however, the possibility exists for individuals to relocate to the City to work at the proposed warehouses. Based on the light industrial nature of the proposed project, it is expected that approximately 1,871 employees would work on-site. Because the population of the City is currently estimated at 95,931, the total number of employees that may work at the project site represents approximately 2 percent of the current population of the City. Therefore, proposed project implementation would not displace any individuals or significantly increase population, and less than significant impacts related to population and housing would occur.
- Recreation—Because the proposed project is not located within or adjacent to any designated
  natural or open space areas and would not significantly increase City population, the project
  would not impact park usage. Furthermore, because the proposed project is not expected to
  result in a significant increase in population, the ratio of parks to residents would be
  unchanged by the project. As such, the proposed project would not result in significant effects
  related to recreation.



Source: Census 2000 Data, The CaSIL, FCS GIS 2016.

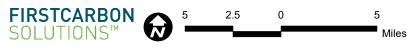
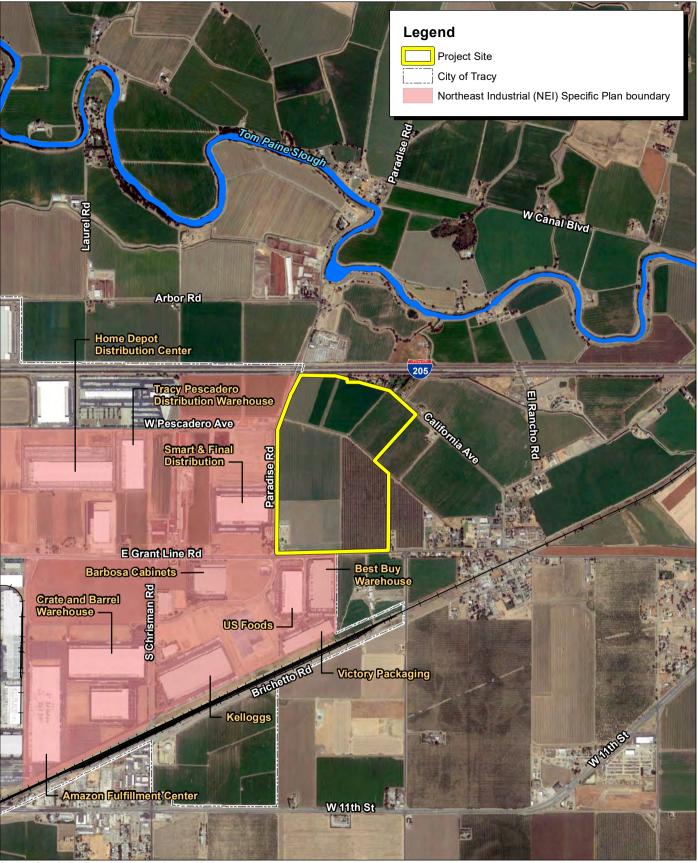


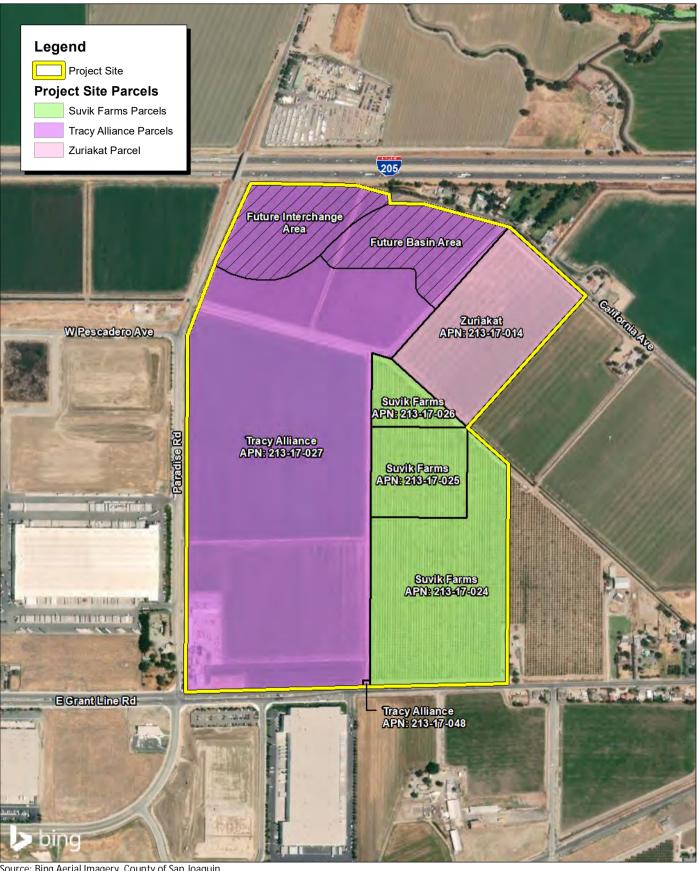
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Source: Google Earth Aerial Imagery, August 2018.



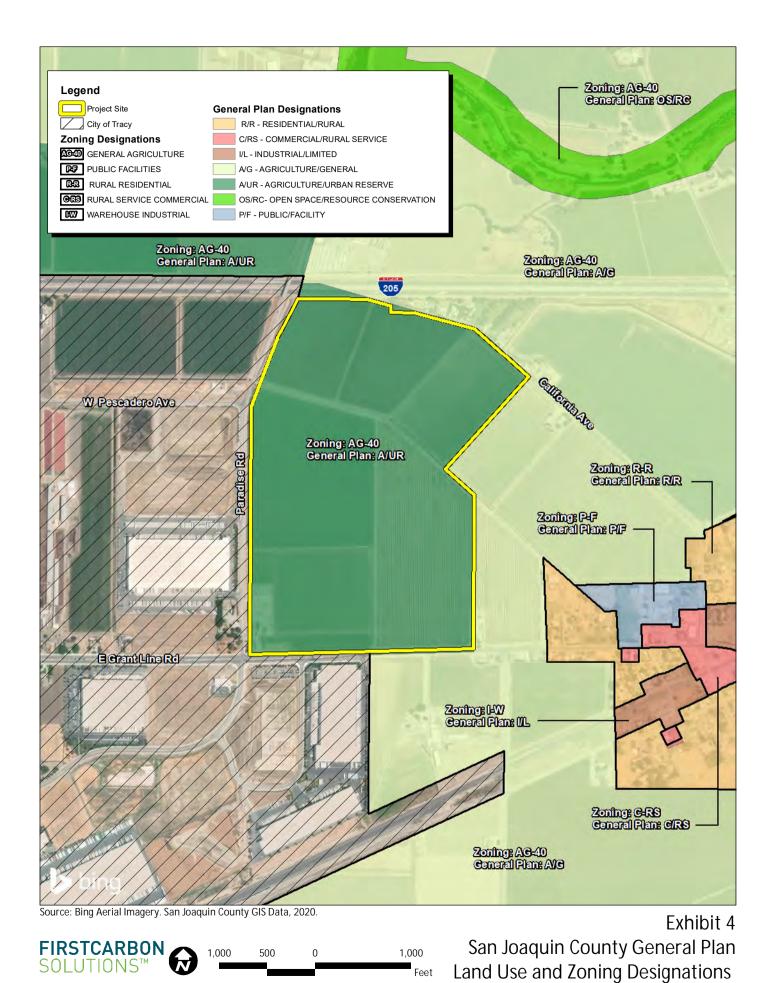
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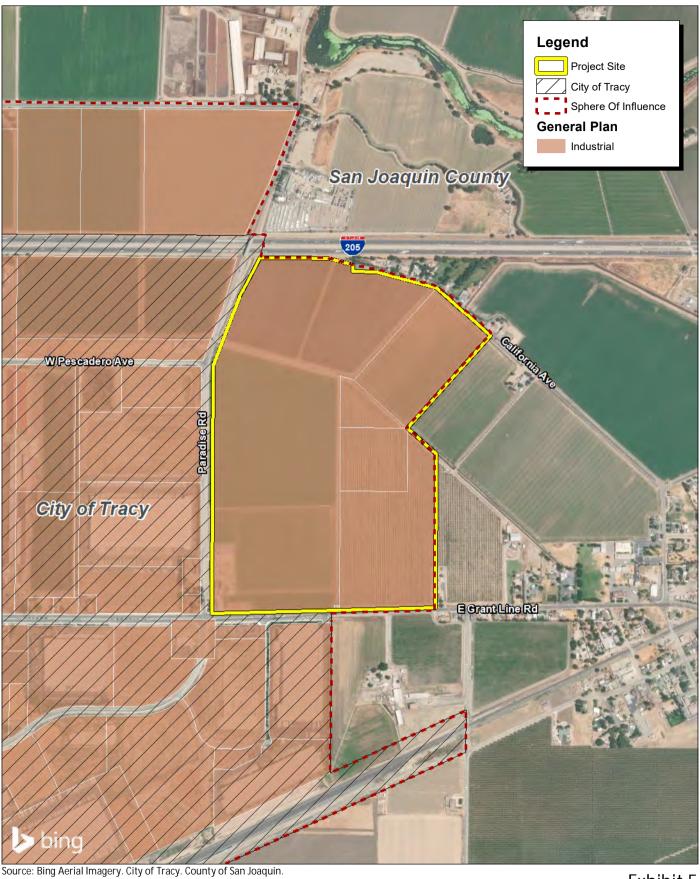


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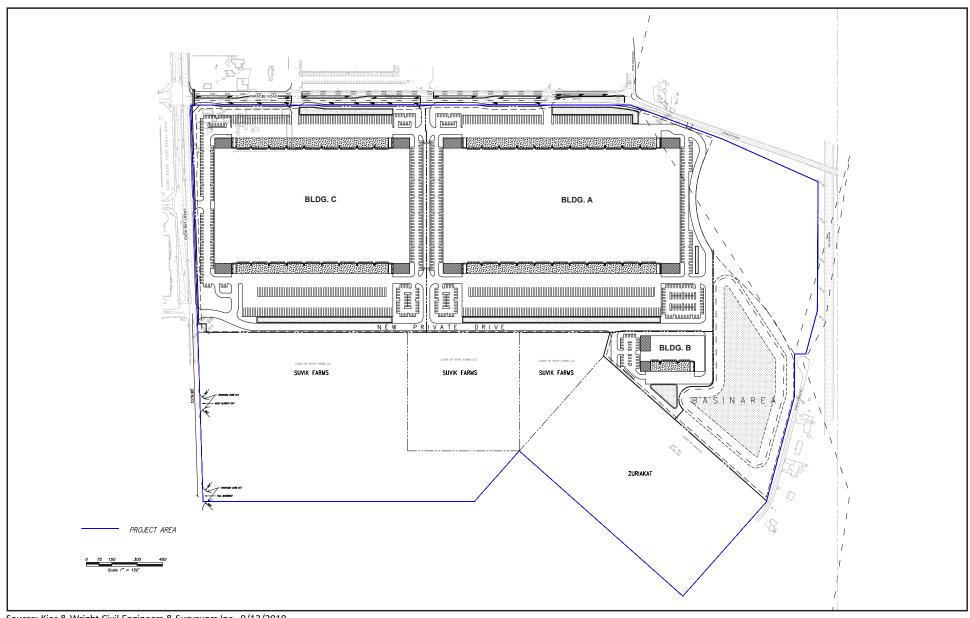
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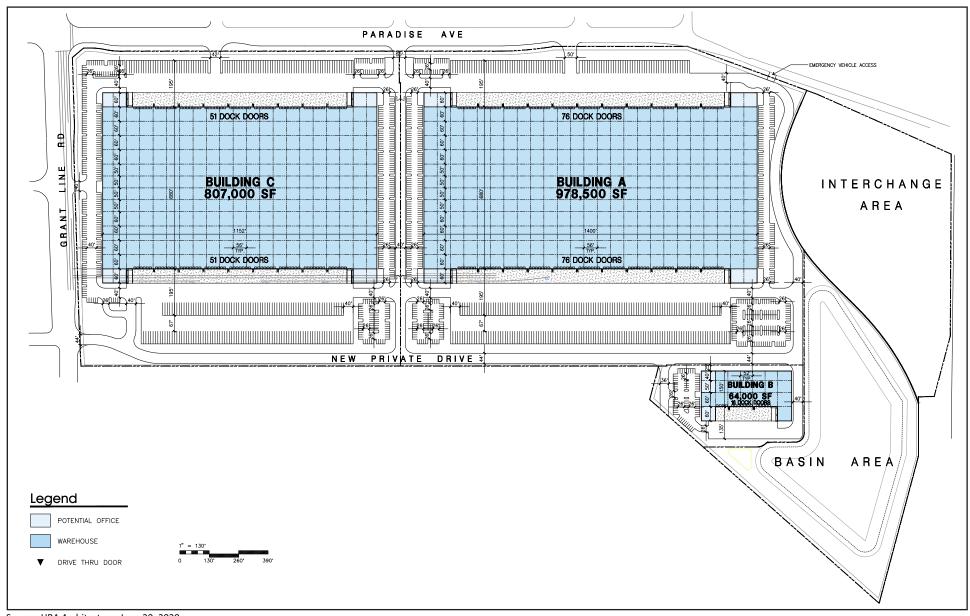
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Source: Kier & Wright Civil Engineers & Surveyors Inc., 9/12/2019.



## Exhibit 6a Comprehensive Site Plan



Source: HRA Architecture, June 20, 2020.



Tracy Alliance Parcels Site Plan

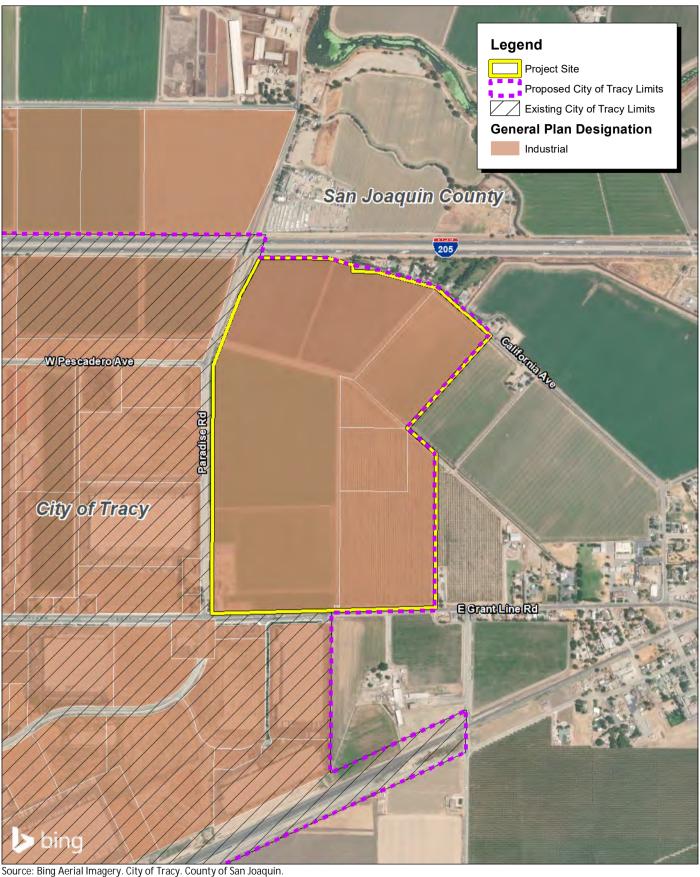
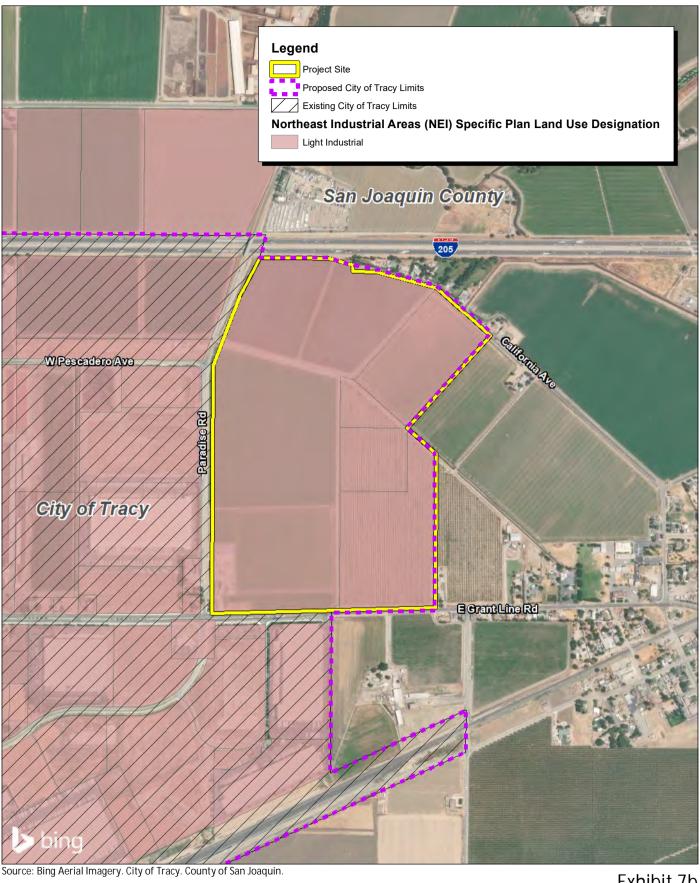


Exhibit 7a **Proposed Annexation** 



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Exhibit 7b Proposed NEI Specific Plan Land Use Designation

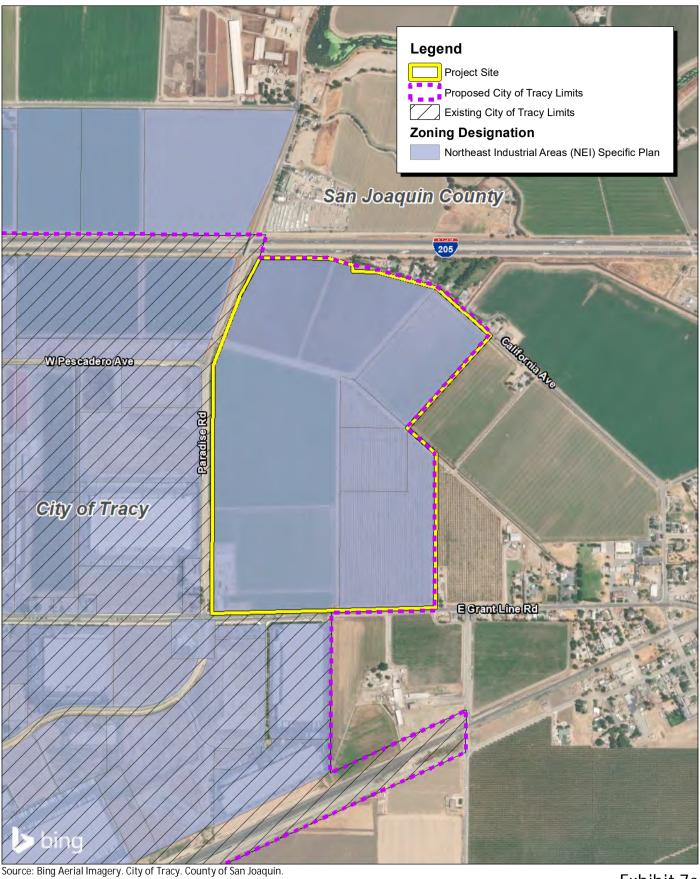
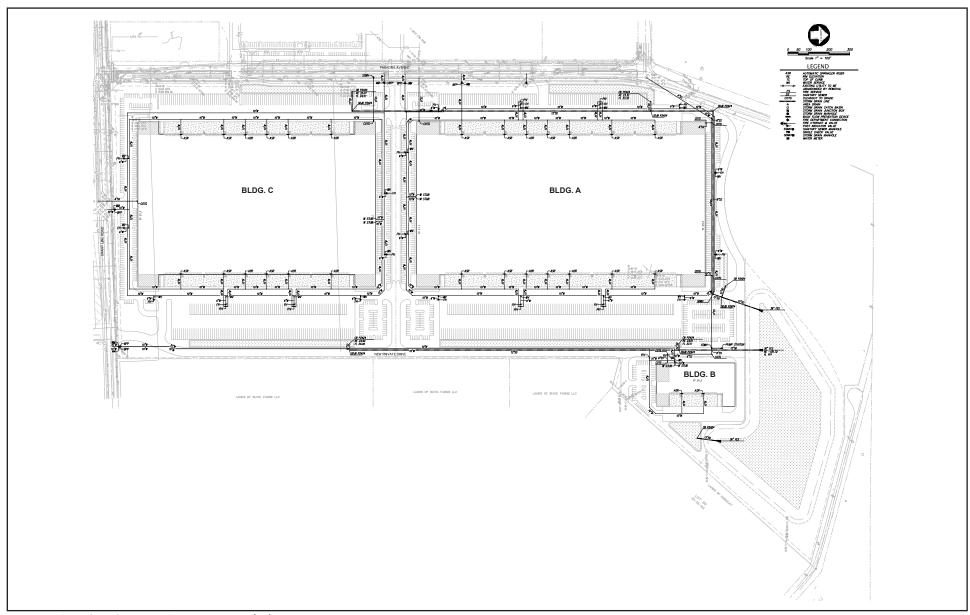




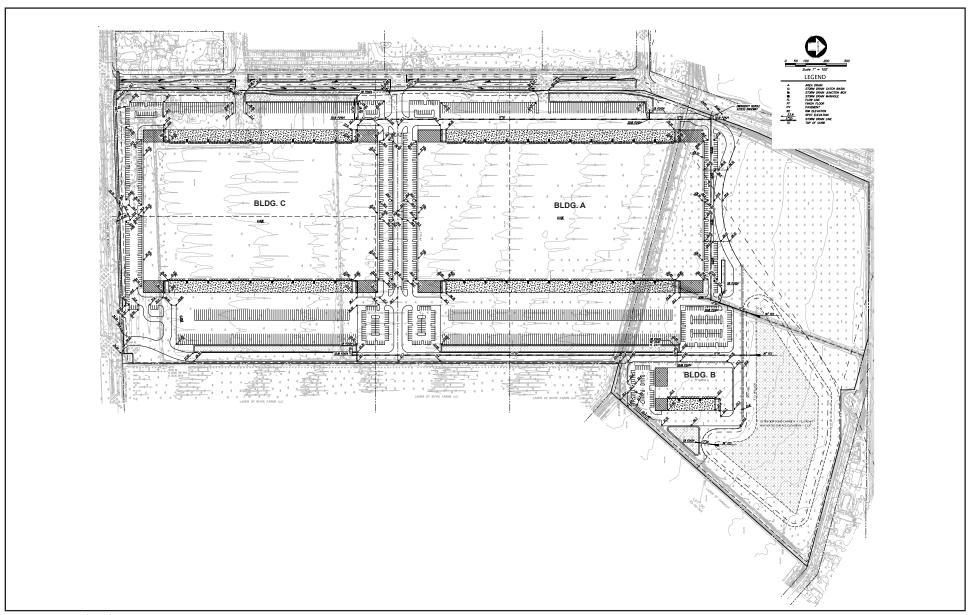
Exhibit 7c **Proposed City of Tracy Zoning Designation** 



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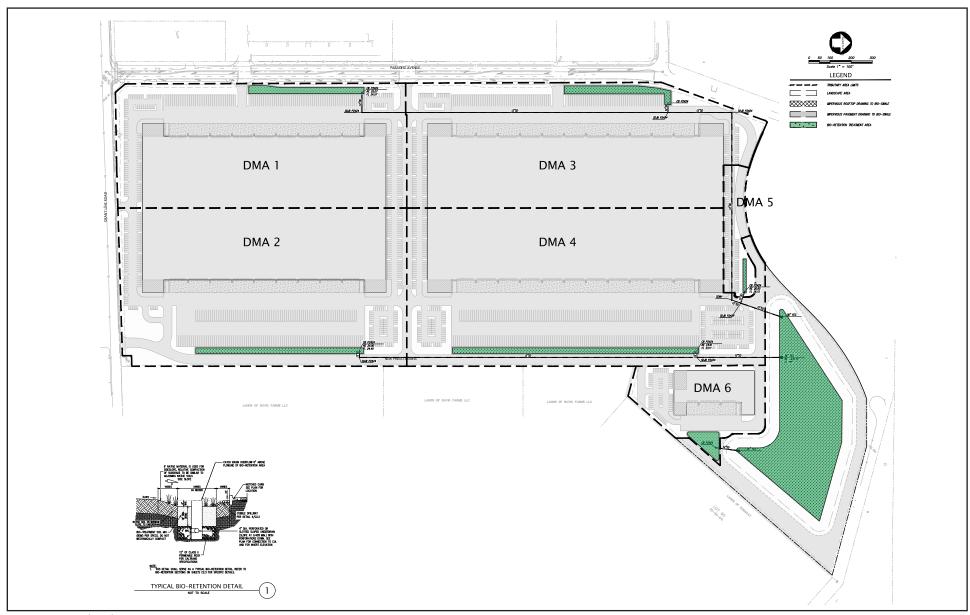
Exhibit 8
Tracy Alliance Parcels - Preliminary Utility Plan



Source: Kier + Wright, July 9, 2020.



Exhibit 9a Tracy Alliance Parcels - Preliminary Grading and Drainage Plan



Source: Kier + Wright, July 9, 2020.



Exhibit 9b Tracy Alliance Parcels - Preliminary Storm Water Control Plan

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City of Tracy, San Joaquin County, California

State Clearinghouse Number 2020080524

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## **SECTION 1: INTRODUCTION**

In accordance with California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines Section 15088, the City of Tracy (Lead Agency) has evaluated the comments received on the Tracy Alliance Project Draft Environmental Impact Report (Draft EIR). Pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15132, the Draft EIR (and appendices attached thereto), a list of persons, organizations, and agencies that provided comments on the Draft EIR, the responses to comments and errata (along with the related appendices), which are included in this document, together with the; Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program (MMRP), comprise the Final EIR for use by the City of Tracy during its review and to ensure proper implementation of the mitigation measures described in the Final EIR. This document is organized into three sections:

- Section 1—Introduction. Provides an introduction to the Final EIR.
- **Section 2—Master Responses.** Provides a single, comprehensive response to similar comments about a particular topic.
- Section 3—Responses to Written Comments. Provides a list of the agencies, organizations, and individuals who commented on the Draft EIR. Copies of all of the letters received providing comments on the Draft EIR and responses thereto are included in this section.
- **Section 4—Errata.** Includes an addendum listing refinements and clarifications on the Draft EIR, which have been incorporated.

The Final EIR is comprised of the following contents:

- Draft EIR (provided under separate cover)
- Draft EIR Appendices (provided under separate cover)
- Responses to Written Comments on the Draft EIR and Errata (Sections 2 and 3 of this document)
- Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program (provided under separate cover)

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## **SECTION 2: MASTER RESPONSES**

Master responses address similar comments made by multiple public agencies, organizations, or individuals through written comments submitted to the City of Tracy (City).

## 2.1 - Master Responses

# Master Response 1—Orderly development of industrial uses within or immediately adjacent to the Northeast Industrial Specific Plan

A number of comments stated that the proposed project would result in significant, unplanned growth within the City; loss of prime farmland; and that the proposed project was not envisioned in the Northeast Industrial (NEI) Specific Plan.

The City of Tracy adopted the NEI Specific Plan to implement a balanced growth strategy. The NEI Specific Plan directs growth as envisioned by the City in an efficient and cost-effective manner, and balances appropriate land uses with well-planned supporting infrastructure. The NEI Specific Plan is intended to improve the jobs/housing balance by encouraging the development of industrial, retail, and service-related employment opportunities in proximity to existing freeway interchanges.

As part of the NEI Specific Plan, the northeastern sector of the City has been identified for industrial growth. With direct access to Interstate 205 (I-205) and rail transportation, the NEI Specific Plan area is ideally situated to attract and support business without the need for major infrastructure expenditures.

The NEI Specific Plan area is intended for high-quality industrial and commercial sites that would attract businesses to the City. It provides a flexible phasing program that allows market forces to dictate reasonable growth increments, while ensuring that agricultural properties remain devoted to agricultural uses until ready to develop.<sup>2</sup>

The proposed project is immediately adjacent to the NEI Specific Plan area, which boundary runs along Paradise Road and Grant Line Road, as shown in Exhibit 2-2 of the Draft EIR. The proposed project is consistent with its existing City of Tracy General Plan land use designation of Industrial; this reflects the long-planned urban development vision for the project site, which contemplates a variety of light industrial uses including warehousing and distribution. The project site would be annexed into the NEI Specific Plan, representing a logical expansion of the NEI Specific Plan vision. The proposed project has been designed to incorporate applicable NEI development standards and design guidelines; accordingly, the proposed project would be consistent with the urban, industrial character of the NEI Specific Plan area.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> City of Tracy. Amended 2012. Northeast Industrial Specific Plan.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> City of Tracy. 1996.Northeast Industrial Plan Draft EIR.



## **SECTION 3: RESPONSES TO WRITTEN COMMENTS**

## 3.1 - List of Authors

A list of public agencies, organizations, and individuals that provided comments during the public review period, which ran from April 20, 2022, to June 3, 2022, on the Tracy Alliance Project Draft Environmental Impact Report (Draft EIR) is presented below. Each comment has been assigned a code. Individual comments within each communication have been numbered so comments can be cross-referenced with responses. Following this list, the text of the communication is reprinted and followed by the corresponding response.

After the close of the public comment period, four additional comment letters were received. The letter from Advocates for the Environment was received by the City on August 16, 2022. The letter from Genna McIntosh (shown as MCINTOSH-3, below) was received by the City on August 29, 2022. The letters from Sierra Club were received by the City on February 8 and February 22, 2023. All of these late comment letters were treated by the City as though they had been submitted during the regular public comment period.

A lead agency is required to consider comments on the Draft EIR and to prepare written responses if a comment is received within the public comment period. (Public Resources Code [PRC] § 21091(d); CEQA Guidelines § 15088). When a comment letter is received after the close of the public comment period, however, a lead agency does not have an obligation to respond. (PRC § 21091(d)(1); PRC § 21092.5(c)). Accordingly, although the City of Tracy is not required to provide a written response to late comment letters, nonetheless, the City of Tracy has elected to respond to these late letters, but without waiving its position that written responses to late comment letters are not required by law.

Author State Agencies	Author Code
State Agencies	
California Department of Transportation	CALTRANS
Local Agencies	
Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board	CVRWQCB
San Joaquin Council of Governments, Laurel Boyd	SJCOG
San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District	
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## Comments received at the public hearing held May 25, 2022

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#### **Late Comments**

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Sierra Club	SIERRA-1
Sierra Club	SIERRA-2
McIntosh, Genna	MCINTOSH-3

## 3.2 - Responses to Comments

#### 3.2.1 - Introduction

In accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines Section 15088, the City of Tracy, as the Lead Agency, evaluated the comments received on the Draft EIR (State Clearinghouse [SCH] No. 2020080524) for the Tracy Alliance Project, and has prepared the following responses to the comments received. This Response to Comments document is part of the Final EIR for the project in accordance with CEQA Guidelines Section 15132.

## 3.2.2 - Comment Letters and Responses

The comment letters reproduced in the following pages follow the same organization as used in the List of Authors.

CEQA requires recirculation of a Draft EIR when the lead agency adds "significant new information" to an EIR after public notice is given of the availability of a Draft EIR for public review, but before EIR certification (State CEQA Guidelines California Code of Regulations [CCR] § 15088.5). Recirculation is not required unless the EIR is changed in a way that would deprive the public of the opportunity to comment on significant new information, including a new significant impact in which no feasible mitigation is available to fully mitigate the impact (thus resulting in a significant and unavoidable impact), a substantial increase in the severity of a disclosed environmental impact, or development of a new feasible alternative or mitigation measures that would clearly lessen environmental impacts but which the project proponent declines to adopt (State CEQA Guidelines CCR § 15088.5(a)). Recirculation is not required where the new information added to the EIR merely clarifies or amplifies or makes insignificant modifications in an adequate EIR (State CEQA Guidelines CCR § 15088.5(b)).

These Responses to Comments include discussion providing clarification and/or additional information. Neither the clarifications nor the additional information constitutes "significant new information" requiring recirculation.

## California Department of Transportation

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June 2, 2022

10-SJ-205-PM R009.500 Tracy Alliance Project Suvik, Zuriakat SCH#2020080524

Victoria Lombardo City of Tracy 333 Civic Center Plaza Tracy, CA 95376

Dear Ms. Lombardo:

The California Department of Transportation appreciates the opportunity to review the proposed Mountain House Apartments. The project is located south of Interstate 205, east of Paradise Road, and north of Grant Line Road. The proposed project consists of the development of up to 3,352,320 square feet of warehouse and distribution and related uses on a total of approximately 191.18 acres. The site consists of six parcels under ownership by three separate parties: the Tracy Alliance Group owns two parcels (totaling approx. 122.44 acres), Suvik Farms, LLC owns three parcels (totaling approx. 46.61 acres), and Zuriakat owns one parcel (approx. 22.17 acres). The Department has the following comments:

- There is a future project 205/Chrisman Road interchange currently in PA&ED.
  Please continue to work with Caltrans to ensure this warehouse proposal will
  not conflict with the ultimate build out of the 205/Chrisman Road interchange
  footprint.
- 2. Please submit a revised Traffic Impact Study (TIS) report with the following changes to Caltrans for review and comment prior to project approval.
  - a. The TIS should include the following Analysis Scenarios.
    - i. Existing Conditions.
    - ii. Project Only Condition.
    - iii. Existing Conditions plus Project.
    - iv. Cumulative Conditions (Existing Conditions plus Other Approval and Pending Project without this project).
    - v. Cumulative Conditions with this project.

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vi. Synchro/Simtraffic version 10 electronic files should be included with the submittal.

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b. The TIS shows I-205/MacArthur interchange is the only access from freeway to this facility. At this time the south site of the interchanges is signed for STAA however, with the significant truck use of this facility, the 95th Percentile queue length analysis using Simtraffic (Simtraffic 5 runs, four 15-minute intervals with 10-minute seeding period) is required to review for all scenarios above to ensure no traffic spillback to the mainline. It is the project proponent's responsibility to provide mitigations to avoid negative impacts to the mainline operation.

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c. Please ensure the revised study clearly explains how the City's draft VMT per employee threshold is developed and is being met.

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d. The study should explain how all the project trip distributions are derived.

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e. The study should provide the supporting analysis documenting how the project's VMT per employee is derived.

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f. Please clarify how the City's travel demand model is utilized in developing the cumulative volumes.

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g. The revised study should cite the source of the Office of Planning and Research (OPR) guidance which allows the exclusion of truck trips from VMT impact analysis for clarification.

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3. From the perspective of goods movement there exists concern with the access to the proposed project. The traffic study identifies a daily truck traffic volume of 1510 vehicles to and from the proposed project. This volume is anticipated to access the proposed project by the MacArthur Road / I-205 interchange, then travel south on MacArthur Road to Grant Line Road to the project. MacArthur Road is a terminal access route consistent with the standards of the Surface Transportation Assistance Act (STAA) of 1984. However, Grant Line Road is not, according to a 2019 map of truck routes in Tracy. As the proposed project is a warehouse, it will likely require access by STAA class truck, and the City of Tracy and the project proponent must address this. The applicant will be responsible for making the needed improvements to the highway and acquiring the appropriate STAA Terminal Access approvals. Terminal Access application procedures can be found at the following link: https://dot.ca.gov/programs/traffic-operations/legal-truck-access/ta-process

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4. Since on-site mitigation measures are not able to significantly reduce the Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT) impacts, off-site mitigation measures should be considered and implemented as these may be acceptable as an exchange. The City could collect fees and use toward offsite mitigations such as public transit, bicycle, and pedestrian improvements to help reduce VMT impacts.

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- 5. The developer needs to ensure that the existing State drainage facilities will not be significantly impacted by the project. If historical undeveloped topography shows drainage from this site flowed into the State Right-of-Way, it may continue to do so with the conditions that peak flows may not be increased from the pre-construction quantity and the site runoff be treated to meet present storm water quality standards. Please submit to Caltrans would for review and comment the pre and post construction runoff calculations, basin calculations, and drainage plans to understand flow patterns prior to project approval.
- 6. An Encroachment Permit will be required for work (if any) done within Caltrans's right of way (ROW). This work is subject to the California Environmental Quality Act. Therefore, environmental studies may be required as part of the encroachment permits application. A qualified professional must conduct any such studies undertaken to satisfy Caltrans' environmental review responsibilities. Ground disturbing activities to the site prior to completion and/or approval of required environmental documents may affect Caltrans' ability to issue a permit for the project.

If you have any questions, please contact me at 209-483-2582 or Nicholas Fung at (209) 986-1552.

Sincerely,

Tom Dumas

Chief, Office of Metropolitan Planning

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#### **State Agencies**

#### California Department of Transportation (CALTRANS)

### Response to CALTRANS-1

This comment is a brief summary of the proposed project. It does not raise any specific project-related environmental issues under CEQA and therefore no further response is required.

#### Response to CALTRANS-2

The commenter notes there is a future Interstate 205 (I-205)/Chrisman Road interchange project currently in the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) review process known as Project Approval and Environmental Document (PA&ED), and requests continued coordination with Caltrans to ensure the proposed project would not conflict with the ultimate buildout of the future I-205/Chrisman Road interchange footprint. The comment is noted and acknowledged. Because it does not raise any specific project-related environmental issues under CEQA, no further response is required.

Although the comment does not raise any environmental questions regarding the adequacy of the Draft EIR, the following response provides additional clarification and information. None of the additional information requires recirculation or revision of the Draft EIR

The City of Tracy staff and the applicant met with the City's engineering consultant Dokken Engineering to discuss the proposed footprint of the aforementioned interchange project and to continue coordination per the email from Juann Ramos of Dokken Engineering on September 28, 2020, indicating the 2028 Geometric Approval Drawing for the I-205/Chrisman Road Interchange. The City of Tracy staff and the applicant also met with Caltrans' engineering consultant Kimley-Horn to discuss the preliminary footprint of the I-205 Managed Lanes project and to resolve potential conflicts (if any). See Appendix A.1 for an exhibit from those meetings, which shows that the project's proposed right-of-way boundary would accommodate the future footprint of the interchange.

#### Response to CALTRANS-3

The commenter requests that the project Traffic Impact Analysis (TIA) be updated to reflect the commenter's requested changes and to include the following analysis scenarios: (1) Existing Conditions, (2) Project Only Conditions, (3) Existing Conditions Plus Project, (4) Cumulative Conditions (Existing Conditions Plus Other Approval and Pending Projects without the proposed project), and (5) Cumulative Conditions with the proposed project. The commenter also requests that Synchro or SimTraffic Version 10 modeling files be included in the TIA.

The TIA was updated to reflect queueing conditions at the I-205/MacArthur Interchange for Existing and Existing Plus Project Conditions. See Responses to CALTRANS-4 through CALTRANS-9 that address each of the commenter's requested changes to the TIA.

#### Response to CALTRANS-4

The commenter requests that a 95th Percentile Ramp Queueing Analysis be prepared at the I-205/MacArthur interchange for all scenarios to ensure no traffic spillback to the mainline freeway. In accordance with CEQA, the Draft EIR and related TIA considered site design and off-site

improvements with respect to potential hazards that could be substantially increased as a result of the proposed project and concluded that there would be no significant impacts requiring mitigation.

However, for purposes of being responsive to this comment, the City elected to have a supplemental analysis was conducted and included in the Errata. Ramp queues were analyzed at the off-ramps for the I-205 and MacArthur Interchange under Existing and Existing Plus Full Project Conditions. The Ramp Queueing Analysis is attached as Appendix A.2 of this Final EIR. All project trips at the I-205 and MacArthur Interchange under Existing Plus Full Project Conditions are anticipated to move to the future I-205 and Chrisman Interchange under Cumulative Conditions and are assumed to be included in the Final Traffic Operations Analysis Report (TOAR) published by Fehr and Peers. Therefore, the proposed project would not cause a queueing deficiency at the MacArthur interchange in the Cumulative Conditions.

Consistent with the commenter's request, the analysis utilized SimTraffic 11 with a 10-minute seeding period, four 15-minute periods and 5 runs. The 95th-percentile queues for each of the five runs was averaged and are shown in Table 1 and Table 2 of the Ramp Queueing Analysis (Appendix A.2). The Existing Conditions queues were calibrated based on field-verified queueing. All ramp queueing under Existing Conditions and Existing Plus Full Project Conditions is within each ramp's storage capacity and would not extend to the freeway mainline. Therefore, no significant project impacts in this regard would occur and therefore no mitigation is required. The comment does not identify any additional mitigation measures or a significant impact that requires additional mitigation.

As such, this information provides clarification and does not affect the impact analyses and the environmental determination of the Draft EIR.

#### Response to CALTRANS-5

The commenter asks for explanation on how the City's draft Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT) per employee threshold is developed and is being met. The commenter raises a general question with respect to a VMT threshold but does not raise any specific project-related environmental issues under CEQA; therefore, no further response is required.

For informational purposes, the following is noted. The VMT thresholds determination is thoroughly discussed in the City's 2022 Citywide Roadway and Transportation Master Plan (TMP) (Chapter 2.6). The VMT analysis and thresholds remain unchanged between the 2020 TMP and the 2022 TMP Updates.

#### Response to CALTRANS-6

The commenter requests that the updated TIA explain how all the project trip distributions were derived.

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City of Tracy. 2022. Citywide Roadway and Transportation Master Plan. Website: https://www.cityoftracy.org/home/showpublisheddocument/13757. Accessed September 6, 2022.

The project trip distribution was primarily based on existing traffic patterns and supplemented with the City of Tracy travel demand model. See the project TIA for a detailed discussion of trip distribution and assignment. Therefore, no update to the TIA is required.

#### Response to CALTRANS-7

The commenter requests that the updated TIA provide supporting analysis documenting how the project's VMT per employee was derived.

Section 3.14, Transportation, of the Draft EIR as well as the TIA, provide a detailed discussion in this regard. As explained more fully therein, the VMT per employee used for the transportation analysis is derived from Table 3.4: FARs and Employment Densities of the TMP, which includes floor area ratios and employee densities used in the Tracy Travel Demand Model.<sup>2</sup> For all uses other than retail and office uses, the proposed project is assumed to generate one employee per 1,000 square feet of use. No update to the TIA is required.

#### Response to CALTRANS-8

The commenter requests that the updated TIA clarify how the City's travel demand model was utilized in developing the cumulative volumes.

Section 3.14, Transportation, of the Draft EIR as well as the TIA, provide a detailed discussion in this regard. As explained more fully therein, Year 2035 turning movement volumes were extrapolated from the TMP 2035 Horizon Year turning movement figures. For intersections without 2035 data, volumes were estimated using the intersection turning movement volumes provided in the TMP. Adjustments to the 2035 Horizon Year turning movement figures were made for the new Northeast Industrial (NEI) Phase 3 project proposed along Grant Line Road. No update to the TIA is required.

#### Response to CALTRANS-9

The commenter requests the updated TIA cite the source of the Governor's Office of Planning and Research (OPR) guidance which allows the exclusion of truck trips from VMT impact analysis.

The comment is noted and acknowledged. The commenter makes a request to include a citation to OPR guidance with respect to the methodology used in conducting the VMT analysis but does not raise any specific project-related environmental issues under CEQA; therefore, no further response is required.

For informational purposes, the Technical Advisory on Evaluating Transportation Impacts in CEQA published by the OPR in December 2018 provides the following methodology guidance for the exclusion of heavy trucks from VMT calculations:<sup>3</sup>

Proposed Section 15064.3, subdivision (a), states, "For the purposes of this section, 'vehicle miles traveled' refers to the amount and distance of automobile travel attributable to a project." Here, the term "automobile" refers to on-road passenger vehicles, specifically cars and light trucks.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Ibid.

Governor's Office of Planning and Research (OPR). 2018. Technical Advisory on Evaluating Transportation Impacts in CEQA. December. Website: https://opr.ca.gov/docs/20190122-743\_Technical\_Advisory.pdf. Accessed September 6, 2022.

The TIA was prepared in accordance with the methodology guidance above.

#### Response to CALTRANS-10

The commenter raises issues concerning access to the proposed project; notes that while MacArthur Road is a terminal access road consistent with Surface Transportation Assistance Act (STAA) standards, Grant Line Road is not; and states that the project applicant would be responsible for making the needed improvements to the highway and acquiring the appropriate STAA Terminal Access approvals.

This comment is noted and acknowledged. The commenter indicates a potentially applicable approval process but does not raise any specific project-related environmental issues under CEQA; therefore, no further response is required.

For informational purposes, the following is noted. STAA truck routes are discussed in Impact Trans-2, Section 3.14, Transportation, of the Draft EIR. The City of Tracy is actively seeking approvals for additional STAA truck routes within the NEI Specific Plan area. See Figure 4.41: Future Truck Routes of the TMP for the proposed interim and future STAA routes. Grant Line Road between MacArthur Drive and the eastern boundary of the project site (Paradise Road) is a planned STAA truck route. The conversion of Grant Line Road to a STAA route, and the construction of new STAA routes in the project vicinity, would further improve both access and roadway safety. Since the City has already planned for improvement of Grant Line Road, the applicant would not be required to make further improvements.

#### Response to CALTRANS-11

The commenter states that since on-site mitigation measures are not able to significantly reduce VMT impacts, off-site mitigation measures should be considered and implemented as these may be acceptable as an exchange. The commenter suggests that the City could collect fees and use toward off-site mitigation such as public transit, bicycle, and pedestrian improvements to help reduce VMT impacts.

As discussed in detail in Section 3.14, Transportation, the proposed project would implement the following Transportation Demand Management (TDM) measures:

- Communication and Information Strategies

  4 percent reduction
- Telecommuting for administrative staff (5 percent of staff population)—1 percent reduction
- Designated parking spaces for carpool vehicles—1 percent reduction
- Provide a transit stop along the project frontage on Grant Line Road (if agreed to by the City)—
   2 percent reduction
- Provide bike lanes and sidewalks along the project frontage-1 percent reduction
- Provide on-site bike racks and showers—1 percent reduction

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City of Tracy. 2022. Citywide Roadway and Transportation Master Plan. Website: https://www.cityoftracy.org/home/showpublisheddocument/13757. Accessed September 6, 2022.

These include both on-site and off-site VMT mitigation measures for a total VMT reduction of 10 percent.

In addition, the proposed project would pay toward the City's VMT Mitigation Banking Fee Program (which is pending as of this writing) for a further VMT reduction of an additional 5 percent. The City's Draft Senate Bill (SB) 743 policy requires a minimum of 15 percent VMT reduction, and the proposed project would achieve this mitigation threshold. As noted in the VMT study, the VMT impact would remain significant and unavoidable even with the 15 percent minimum reduction because the VMT impact is only partially mitigated by the TDM measures identified for the proposed project.

If the City Council has not adopted the Mitigation Banking Fee Program such that it is effective and in place at the time an applicant for an individual development proposal seeks to obtain a building permit, then the relevant applicant shall implement additional VMT reduction measures in order to meet the minimum VMT reduction requirement of 15 percent. Mitigation Measure (MM) TRANS-1(b) is revised to reflect this clarification (see Section 4, Errata).

#### Response to CALTRANS-12

The commenter states the applicants need to ensure that State drainage facilities will not be significantly impacted by the project. The commenter also notes that if historical undeveloped topography shows drainage from the project site flowed into the State Right-of-Way, it may continue to do so as long as the applicants ensure that drainage peak flows not increase from the preconstruction condition and that the site runoff be treated in accordance with present stormwater quality standards. The commenter also requests to review the project's pre and post construction runoff calculations, basin calculations, and drainage plans.

Impacts related to stormwater runoff are discussed at length in Section 3.10, Hydrology, of the Draft EIR. The proposed project includes mitigation measures requiring preparation of a Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan (MM HYD-1-a), a Stormwater Management Plan (MM HYD-1-b), and final Drainage Plan (MM HYD-3), which would confirm that the proposed project's on-site stormwater detention basin and bioretention treatment areas could accommodate project flows to the satisfaction of the City and that post-development stormwater flow rates would not substantially exceed predevelopment rates pursuant to the applicable C.3 requirements and all other applicable laws and regulations. The aforementioned plans will be provided to Caltrans for review when available.

## Response to CALTRANS-13

The commenter states that an Encroachment Permit will be required for work (if any) done within Caltrans' right-of-way, and that any such work would be subject to CEQA review. Therefore, environmental studies may be required as part of the Encroachment Permit application, which would need to be conducted to satisfy Caltrans' environmental review responsibilities. The commenter also notes that ground-disturbing activities on the project site prior to completion and/or approval of the required environmental documents may affect Caltrans' ability to issue a permit for the proposed project.

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The comment is noted and acknowledged. No work within Caltrans' right-of-way is anticipated in connection with the proposed project. However, the applicants would be required to comply with the Encroachment Permit process if any work within Caltrans' right-of-way were necessary to implement the proposed project. For informational purposes, it is noted that while it is not anticipated that the proposed project would encroach onto any Caltrans right-of-way, the applicants have offered to set aside approximately 12.51 acres in the northwest corner of the project site, which would be sufficient to accommodate the future planned interchange.



## Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board

3 June 2022

Victoria Lombardo City of Tracy 33 Civic Center Plaza Tracy, CA 95376 victoria.lombardo @cityoftracy.org

# COMMENTS TO REQUEST FOR REVIEW FOR THE DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT, TRACY ALLIANCE PROJECT, SCH#2020080524, SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY

Pursuant to the State Clearinghouse's 20 April 2022 request, the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board (Central Valley Water Board) has reviewed the Request Ofor Review for the Draft Environmental Impact Report for the Tracy Alliance Project, located in San Joaquin County.

Our agency is delegated with the responsibility of protecting the quality of surface and groundwaters of the state; therefore, our comments will address concerns surrounding those issues.

## I. Regulatory Setting

## **Basin Plan**

The Central Valley Water Board is required to formulate and adopt Basin Plans for all areas within the Central Valley region under Section 13240 of the Porter-Cologne Water Quality Control Act. Each Basin Plan must contain water quality objectives to ensure the reasonable protection of beneficial uses, as well as a program of implementation for achieving water quality objectives with the Basin Plans. Federal regulations require each state to adopt water quality standards to protect the public health or welfare, enhance the quality of water and serve the purposes of the Clean Water Act. In California, the beneficial uses, water quality objectives, and the

Antidegradation Policy are the State's water quality standards. Water quality standards are also contained in the National Toxics Rule, 40 CFR Section 131.36, and the California Toxics Rule, 40 CFR Section 131.38.

The Basin Plan is subject to modification as necessary, considering applicable laws, policies, technologies, water quality conditions and priorities. The original Basin Plans were adopted in 1975, and have been updated and revised periodically as required, using Basin Plan amendments. Once the Central Valley Water Board has adopted a Basin Plan amendment in noticed public hearings, it must be approved by the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board), Office of

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Administrative Law (OAL) and in some cases, the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA). Basin Plan amendments only become effective after they have been approved by the OAL and in some cases, the USEPA. Every three (3) years, a review of the Basin Plan is completed that assesses the appropriateness of existing standards and evaluates and prioritizes Basin Planning issues. For more information on the *Water Quality Control Plan for the Sacramento and San Joaquin River Basins*, please visit our website:

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/water issues/basin plans/

## **Antidegradation Considerations**

All wastewater discharges must comply with the Antidegradation Policy (State Water Board Resolution 68-16) and the Antidegradation Implementation Policy contained in the Basin Plan. The Antidegradation Implementation Policy is available on page 74 at:

https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/water\_issues/basin\_plans/sacsjr\_2018 05.pdf

In part it states:

Any discharge of waste to high quality waters must apply best practicable treatment or control not only to prevent a condition of pollution or nuisance from occurring, but also to maintain the highest water quality possible consistent with the maximum benefit to the people of the State.

This information must be presented as an analysis of the impacts and potential impacts of the discharge on water quality, as measured by background concentrations and applicable water quality objectives.

The antidegradation analysis is a mandatory element in the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System and land discharge Waste Discharge Requirements (WDRs) permitting processes. The environmental review document should evaluate potential impacts to both surface and groundwater quality.

## II. Permitting Requirements

## **Construction Storm Water General Permit**

Dischargers whose project disturb one or more acres of soil or where projects disturb less than one acre but are part of a larger common plan of development that in total disturbs one or more acres, are required to obtain coverage under the General Permit for Storm Water Discharges Associated with Construction and Land Disturbance Activities (Construction General Permit), Construction General Permit Order No. 2009-0009-DWQ. Construction activity subject to this permit includes clearing, grading, grubbing, disturbances to the ground, such as stockpiling, or excavation, but does not include regular maintenance activities performed to restore the original line, grade, or capacity of the facility. The Construction General Permit requires the development and implementation of a Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP). For more information on the Construction General Permit, visit the State Water Resources Control Board website at:

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water\_issues/programs/stormwater/constpermits.sht ml

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## Phase I and II Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) Permits<sup>1</sup>

The Phase I and II MS4 permits require the Permittees reduce pollutants and runoff flows from new development and redevelopment using Best Management Practices (BMPs) to the maximum extent practicable (MEP). MS4 Permittees have their own development standards, also known as Low Impact Development (LID)/post-construction standards that include a hydromodification component. The MS4 permits also require specific design concepts for LID/post-construction BMPs in the early stages of a project during the entitlement and CEQA process and the development plan review process.

For more information on which Phase I MS4 Permit this project applies to, visit the Central Valley Water Board website at:

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/water\_issues/storm\_water/municipal\_p ermits/

For more information on the Phase II MS4 permit and who it applies to, visit the State Water Resources Control Board at:

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water issues/programs/stormwater/phase ii munici pal.shtml

## **Industrial Storm Water General Permit**

Storm water discharges associated with industrial sites must comply with the regulations contained in the Industrial Storm Water General Permit Order No. 2014-0057-DWQ. For more information on the Industrial Storm Water General Permit, visit the Central Valley Water Board website at:

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/water issues/storm water/industrial general permits/index.shtml

## **Clean Water Act Section 404 Permit**

If the project will involve the discharge of dredged or fill material in navigable waters or wetlands, a permit pursuant to Section 404 of the Clean Water Act may be needed from the United States Army Corps of Engineers (USACE). If a Section 404 permit is required by the USACE, the Central Valley Water Board will review the permit application to ensure that discharge will not violate water quality standards. If the project requires surface water drainage realignment, the applicant is advised to contact the Department of Fish and Game for information on Streambed Alteration Permit requirements. If you have any questions regarding the Clean Water Act Section 404 permits, please contact the Regulatory Division of the Sacramento District of USACE at (916) 557-5250.

## Clean Water Act Section 401 Permit - Water Quality Certification

If an USACE permit (e.g., Non-Reporting Nationwide Permit, Nationwide Permit, Letter of Permission, Individual Permit, Regional General Permit, Programmatic

<sup>1</sup> Municipal Permits = The Phase I Municipal Separate Storm Water System (MS4) Permit covers medium sized Municipalities (serving between 100,000 and 250,000 people) and large sized municipalities (serving over 250,000 people). The Phase II MS4 provides coverage for small municipalities, including non-traditional Small MS4s, which include military bases, public campuses, prisons and hospitals.

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General Permit), or any other federal permit (e.g., Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act or Section 9 from the United States Coast Guard), is required for this project due to the disturbance of waters of the United States (such as streams and wetlands), then a Water Quality Certification must be obtained from the Central Valley Water Board prior to initiation of project activities. There are no waivers for 401 Water Quality Certifications. For more information on the Water Quality Certification, visit the Central Valley Water Board website at: <a href="https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/water-issues/water-quality-certification/">https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/water-issues/water-quality-certification/</a>

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## Waste Discharge Requirements - Discharges to Waters of the State

If USACE determines that only non-jurisdictional waters of the State (i.e., "non-federal" waters of the State) are present in the proposed project area, the proposed project may require a Waste Discharge Requirement (WDR) permit to be issued by Central Valley Water Board. Under the California Porter-Cologne Water Quality Control Act, discharges to all waters of the State, including all wetlands and other waters of the State including, but not limited to, isolated wetlands, are subject to State regulation. For more information on the Waste Discharges to Surface Water NPDES Program and WDR processes, visit the Central Valley Water Board website at:https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/water issues/waste to surface wat er/

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Projects involving excavation or fill activities impacting less than 0.2 acre or 400 linear feet of non-jurisdictional waters of the state and projects involving dredging activities impacting less than 50 cubic yards of non-jurisdictional waters of the state may be eligible for coverage under the State Water Resources Control Board Water Quality Order No. 2004-0004-DWQ (General Order 2004-0004). For more information on the General Order 2004-0004, visit the State Water Resources Control Board website at:

https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/board decisions/adopted orders/water quality/200 4/wqo/wqo2004-0004.pdf

## **Dewatering Permit**

If the proposed project includes construction or groundwater dewatering to be discharged to land, the proponent may apply for coverage under State Water Board General Water Quality Order (Low Threat General Order) 2003-0003 or the Central Valley Water Board's Waiver of Report of Waste Discharge and Waste Discharge Requirements (Low Threat Waiver) R5-2018-0085. Small temporary construction dewatering projects are projects that discharge groundwater to land from excavation activities or dewatering of underground utility vaults. Dischargers seeking coverage under the General Order or Waiver must file a Notice of Intent with the Central Valley Water Board prior to beginning discharge.

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For more information regarding the Low Threat General Order and the application process, visit the Central Valley Water Board website at: <a href="http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/board\_decisions/adopted\_orders/water\_quality/2003/wqo/wqo2003-0003.pdf">http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/board\_decisions/adopted\_orders/water\_quality/2003/wqo/wqo2003-0003.pdf</a>

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For more information regarding the Low Threat Waiver and the application process, visit the Central Valley Water Board website at:

https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board\_decisions/adopted\_orders/waiv\_ers/r5-2018-0085.pdf

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## **Limited Threat General NPDES Permit**

If the proposed project includes construction dewatering and it is necessary to discharge the groundwater to waters of the United States, the proposed project will require coverage under a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit. Dewatering discharges are typically considered a low or limited threat to water quality and may be covered under the General Order for *Limited Threat Discharges to Surface Water* (Limited Threat General Order). A complete Notice of Intent must be submitted to the Central Valley Water Board to obtain coverage under the Limited Threat General Order. For more information regarding the Limited Threat General Order and the application process, visit the Central Valley Water Board website at:

https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board\_decisions/adopted\_orders/gene\_ral\_orders/r5-2016-0076-01.pdf

## **NPDES Permit**

If the proposed project discharges waste that could affect the quality of surface waters of the State, other than into a community sewer system, the proposed project will require coverage under a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit. A complete Report of Waste Discharge must be submitted with the Central Valley Water Board to obtain a NPDES Permit. For more information regarding the NPDES Permit and the application process, visit the Central Valley Water Board website at: <a href="https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/help/permit/">https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/help/permit/</a>

If you have questions regarding these comments, please contact me at (916) 464-4684 or Peter.Minkel2@waterboards.ca.gov.

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**Engineering Geologist** 

cc: State Clearinghouse unit, Governor's Office of Planning and Research, Sacramento

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#### **Local Agencies**

## Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board (CVRWQCB)

## Response to CVRWQCB-1

This comment is a brief summary of the proposed project. It does not raise any specific project-related environmental issues under CEQA and therefore no further response is needed.

#### Response to CVRWQCB-2

This comment provides a summary of the regulatory setting, including the Basin Plans, the federal requirements for each state to adopt water quality standards to protect the public health or welfare, and the State's water quality standards (including antidegradation considerations). The commenter also states that the potential impacts to both surface and groundwater quality should be evaluated.

These topics were fully evaluated in Section 3.10, Hydrology and Water Quality, of the Draft EIR. As detailed more fully in Section 3.10, the existing hydrology and water quality setting (both surface and groundwater) and potential effects from implementation of the proposed project on the project site and its surrounding area with respect to potential construction and operation-related impacts on both surface and water quality were fully evaluated. No further response is required.

#### Response to CVRWQCB-3

The commenter identifies the requirements for a Construction Storm Water General Permit and development and implementation of a Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP).

The comment is noted and acknowledged, and the commenter is referred to the Regulatory Framework of Section 3.10, Hydrology and Water Quality, of the Draft EIR, where these requirements were included. As noted in Section 3.10 (e.g., Impact HYD-1, Impact HYD-3, Impact HYD-5, MM HYD-1a), along with other requirements and standards, to the extent applicable, each project applicant, as part of its individual development proposal, would be required to comply with these mandates. No further response is required.

#### Response to CVRWQCB-4

The commenter identifies the requirements of Phase I and II Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) permits.

The comment is noted and acknowledged, and the commenter is referred to the Regulatory Framework of Section 3.10, Hydrology and Water Quality, of the Draft EIR, where these requirements are included. As noted in Section 3.10 (e.g., Impact HYD-1, Impact HYD-3, Impact HYD-5, MM HYD-1b, MM HYD-3), along with other requirements and standards, to the extent applicable, each project applicant, as part of its individual development proposal, would be required to comply with Phase I and II MS4 permit mandates. No further response is required.

#### Response to CVRWQCB-5

The commenter indicates that industrial sites must comply with the regulations contained in the Industrial Storm Water General Permit.

The comment is noted and acknowledged, and the commenter is referred to the Regulatory Framework of Section 3.10, Hydrology and Water Quality, of the Draft EIR, where these

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requirements were included. Along with other requirements and standards, to the extent applicable, each project applicant, as part of its individual development proposal, would be required to comply with the mandates of Industrial Storm Water General Permit Order No. 2014-0057-DWQ. No further response is required.

#### Response to CVRWQCB-6

The commenter describes the requirement for compliance with Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (CWA) if the project will involve the discharge of dredged or fill material in navigable waters or wetlands. The commenter also notes the requirements for a streambed alteration agreement if the project will involve surface water drainage realignment.

The comment is noted and acknowledged, and the commenter is referred to the Regulatory Framework of Section 3.3, Biological Resources, of the Draft EIR, where these requirements were included. As discussed in Section 3.3, a preliminary assessment of potentially jurisdictional features was conducted as part of the literature review and reconnaissance-level survey for the project site. As described in more detail therein, there is a ditch wetland/cattail marsh located on the Zuriakat parcel along California Avenue. Development details for the Zuriakat parcel are unknown at this time. In addition, there are several irrigation/drainage channels throughout the project site, which appear to have a potential hydrological connection to the San Joaquin River, a traditional navigable water of the United States. The man-made channels on the project site have all been excavated within upland habitat for the purpose of on-site agricultural irrigation and drainage, and as explained more in Section 3.3, these features are generally not considered jurisdictional. However, if the proposed project's construction would result in the placement of fill that would potentially result in impacts to any regulated aquatic resources, MM BIO-3 would be implemented, which requires delineation of potentially jurisdictional aquatic resources and obtaining permits pursuant to Sections 404 and 401 of the CWA as well as compliance with Section 1600 of the California Fish and Game Code (to the extent applicable). See also discussion in Impact BIO-3 for further information in this regard.

## Response to CVRWQCB-7

The commenter describes the requirement for compliance with Section 401 – Water Quality certification of the CWA.

The comment is noted and acknowledged, and the commenter is referred to the Regulatory Framework of Section 3.3, Biological Resources, of the Draft EIR, and Section 3.10, Hydrology and Water Quality, of the Draft EIR, where these requirements are included. As noted in the above response, to the extent required under applicable laws and regulations, each project applicant would be required to comply with Sections 404 and 401 of the CWA in connection with its individual development proposal. No further response is required.

## Response to CVRWQCB-8

The commenter describes the requirement for a Waste Discharge Requirement permit.

The comment is noted and acknowledged, and the commenter is referred to the Regulatory Framework of Section 3.10, Hydrology and Water Quality, of the Draft EIR, where these requirements were noted. If applicable, each project applicant would be required to comply with

these mandates in connection with its individual development proposal. No further response is required.

## Response to CVRWQCB-9

The commenter describes the permit requirements for dewatering projects.

This comment is noted and acknowledged, and the commenter is referred to the Regulatory Framework of Section 3.10, Hydrology and Water Quality, of the Draft EIR, where these requirements are noted; however, the proposed project does not include groundwater dewatering. No further response is required.

## Response to CVRWQCB-10

The commenter describes the general National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit requirements for dewatering projects that would discharge groundwater to waters of the United States but would be considered a low or limited threat to water quality (Limited Threat General Order).

This comment is noted and acknowledged; however, the proposed project does not include groundwater dewatering. No further response is required.

#### Response to CVRWQCB-11

The commenter describes the requirements for an NPDES permit.

The comment is noted and acknowledged. Each project applicant, in connection with its individual development proposal, would be required to comply with applicable NPDES mandates. No further response is required.

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San Joaquin County Multi-Species Habitat Conservation & Open Space Plan (SJMSCP)

# SJMSCP RESPONSE TO LOCAL JURISDICTION (RTLJ) ADVISORY AGENCY NOTICE TO SJCOG, Inc.

To: Victoria Lombardo, City of Tracy, Development Services Department

From: Laurel Boyd, SJCOG, Inc. Phone: (209) 235-0574 Email: boyd@sjcog.org

**Date:** April 27, 2022

-Local Jurisdiction Project Title: Notice of Availability of Draft Environmental Impact Report for the Tracy Alliance Project

**Assessor Parcel Number(s):** 213-170-14, -24 to -27, -48

Local Jurisdiction Project Number: N/A

Total Acres to be converted from Open Space Use: Unknown

Habitat Types to be Disturbed: Agricultural Habitat Land

**Species Impact Findings:** Findings to be determined by SJMSCP biologist.

#### Dear Ms. Lombardo:

SJCOG, Inc. has reviewed the project referral for the Notice of Availability of Draft Environmental Impact Report for the Tracy Alliance Project. This project consists of the development of up to 3,352,320 square feet of warehouse and distribution and related development. Development on the two Tracy Alliance parcels would consists of approximately 1,849,500 square feet of warehouse and distribution space located in three buildings, as well as an approximately 12.44 acre stormwater detention basin with pump station. Development plans for the Suvik Farms, LLC parcels and Zuriakat parcel are not specified at this time. For the purposes of analysis in the DEIR, buildout fo these parcels was estimated to consist of a total of approximately 1,502,820 square feet of warehouse and distribution development.

The proposed project includes demolition of 11 existing residential and agricultural structures on approximately 4 acres located at the southwestern corner of the Tracy Alliance parcels, removal of all crops and some existing trees, grading of approximately 500,000 cubic yards, and the construction of the following primary components:

- Multiple warehouse buildings totaling up to 3,352,320 square feet that support industrial uses and associated offices;
- An approximately 12.44 acre City owned and managed stormwater detention basin with pump station;
- Ample landscaping consistent with all applicable City requirements; for example, in connection with the individual development proposal for the Tracy Alliance parcels, the relevant site plan reflects approximately 110,000 square feet of landscaped areas; and
- Sufficient on-site parking for both vehicles and trailer spaces consistent with all applicable City requirements; for
  example, in connection with the individual development proposal for the Tracy Alliance parcels, the relevant site
  plan reflects approximately 1,134 automobile parking spaces and approximately 572 trailer parking spaces.

The project site is located at the northeast corner of Grant Line Road and Paradise Road, Tracy (APN: 213-170-14, -24 to -27, -48).

The City of Tracy is a signatory to San Joaquin County Multi-Species Habitat Conservation and Open Space Plan (SJMSCP). Participation in the SJMSCP satisfies requirements of both the state and federal endangered species acts, and ensures that the impacts are mitigated below a level of significance in compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). The LOCAL JURISDICTION retains responsibility for ensuring that the appropriate Incidental Take Minimization Measure are properly implemented and monitored and that appropriate fees are paid in compliance with the SJMSCP. Although participation in the SJMSCP is voluntary, Local Jurisdiction/Lead Agencies should be aware that if project applicants choose against participating in the SJMSCP, they will be required to provide alternative mitigation in an amount and kind equal to that provided in the SJMSCP.

**This Project is subject to the SJMSCP**. This can be up to a 30 day process and it is recommended that the project applicant contact SJMSCP staff as early as possible. It is also recommended that the project applicant obtain an information package. <a href="http://www.sjcog.org">http://www.sjcog.org</a>

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Please contact SJMSCP staff regarding completing the following steps to satisfy SJMSCP requirements:

- Schedule a SJMSCP Biologist to perform a pre-construction survey prior to any ground disturbance
- SJMSCP Incidental take Minimization Measures and mitigation requirement:
  - 1. Incidental Take Minimization Measures (ITMMs) will be issued to the project and must be signed by the project applicant prior to any ground disturbance but no later than six (6) months from receipt of the ITMMs. If ITMMs are not signed within six months, the applicant must reapply for SJMSCP Coverage. Upon receipt of signed ITMMs from project applicant, SJCOG, Inc. staff will sign the ITMMs. This is the effective date of the ITMMs.
  - 2. Under no circumstance shall ground disturbance occur without compliance and satisfaction of the ITMMs.
  - 3. Upon issuance of fully executed ITMMs and prior to any ground disturbance, the project applicant must:
    - a. Post a bond for payment of the applicable SJMSCP fee covering the entirety of the project acreage being covered (the bond should be valid for no longer than a 6 month period); or
    - b. Pay the appropriate SJMSCP fee for the entirety of the project acreage being covered; or
    - c. Dedicate land in-lieu of fees, either as conservation easements or fee title; or
    - d. Purchase approved mitigation bank credits.
  - 4. Within 6 months from the effective date of the ITMMs or issuance of a building permit, whichever occurs first, the project applicant must:
    - a. Pay the appropriate SJMSCP for the entirety of the project acreage being covered; or
    - b. Dedicate land in-lieu of fees, either as conservation easements or fee title; or
    - c. Purchase approved mitigation bank credits.

Failure to satisfy the obligations of the mitigation fee shall subject the bond to be called.

Receive your Certificate of Payment and release the required permit

It should be noted that if this project has any potential impacts to waters of the United States [pursuant to Section 404 Clean Water Act], it would require the project to seek voluntary coverage through the unmapped process under the SJMSCP which could take up to 90 days. It may be prudent to obtain a preliminary wetlands map from a qualified consultant. If waters of the United States are confirmed on the project site, the Corps and the Regional Water Quality Control Board (RWQCB) would have regulatory authority over those mapped areas [pursuant to Section 404 and 401 of the Clean Water Act respectively] and permits would be required from each of these resource agencies prior to grading the project site.

If you have any questions, please call (209) 235-0600.

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## SJMSCP HOLD

**TO:** <u>Local Jurisdiction: Community Development Department, Planning Department, Building Department, Engineering Department, Survey Department, Transportation Department, Transporta</u>

Other:

FROM: Laurel Boyd, SJCOG, Inc.

# DO NOT AUTHORIZE SITE DISTURBANCE DO NOT ISSUE A BUILDING PERMIT DO NOT ISSUE \_\_\_\_\_\_ FOR THIS PROJECT

The landowner/developer for this site has requested coverage pursuant to the San Joaquin County Multi-Species Habitat Conservation and Open Space Plan (SJMSCP). In accordance with that agreement, the Applicant has agreed to:

- SJMSCP Incidental Take Minimization Measures and mitigation requirement:
  - 1. Incidental Take Minimization Measures (ITMMs) will be issued to the project and must be signed by the project applicant prior to any ground disturbance but no later than six (6) months from receipt of the ITMMs. If ITMMs are not signed within six months, the applicant must reapply for SJMSCP Coverage. Upon receipt of signed ITMMs from project applicant, SJCOG, Inc. staff will sign the ITMMs. This is the effective date of the ITMMs.
  - 2. Under no circumstance shall ground disturbance occur without compliance and satisfaction of the ITMMs.
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       Failure to satisfy the obligations of the mitigation fee shall subject the bond to be called.

Project Title: NOA of DEIR for the Tracy Alliance Project

Assessor Parcel #s: 213-170-14, -24 to -27, -48

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Local Jurisdiction Contact: Victoria Lombardo

The LOCAL JURISDICTION retains responsibility for ensuring that the appropriate Incidental Take Minimization Measures are properly implemented and monitored and that

appropriate fees are paid in compliance with the SJMSCP.





# San Joaquin Council of Governments (SJCOG)

Response to SJCOG-1

The letter provides introductory remarks, including a summary of the project description.

It does not raise any specific project-related environmental issues under CEQA and therefore no further response is required.

#### Response to SJCOG-2

The commenter notes that the proposed project is subject to the San Joaquin County Multi-Species Habitat Conservation and Open Space Plan (SJMSCP); summarizes the local jurisdiction's compliance obligations; and recommends that the project applicant contact SJMSCP staff as early as possible. The commenter also notes the steps required to satisfy SJMSCP requirements, including a preconstruction survey by a qualified Biologist and implementation of incidental take minimization measures. It also notes that Section 404 requirements would apply if the proposed project would impact any waters of the United States.

SJMSCP requirements are detailed in Section 3.3, Biological Resources, of the Draft EIR (e.g., Section 3.4.4 (Regulatory Framework), Impact BIO-6, MM BIO-1). As analyzed more fully therein, each applicant, in connection with its individual development proposal, would be required to implement mitigation mandated under the SJMSCP and minimization measures (as identified above in Impact BIO-1) in conjunction with required compliance with the SJMSCP, which would reduce specific impacts to listed species to a less than significant level under CEQA. Pursuant to the foregoing, no permit for site clearance, grading, or construction would be issued until all requirements under applicable laws and regulations, including those of the SJMSCP, have been satisfied. See also discussion in Section 3.3 (e.g., Impact BIO-3) with respect to potential impacts to jurisdictional features.

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Sent: Wednesday, May 4, 2022 2:14 PM

To: Victoria Lombardo < Victoria.Lombardo@cityoftracy.org >

Subject: SJVAPCD Information Request for DEIR Tracy Alliance Project

Hello Victoria,

The District is currently reviewing the DEIR for the Tracy Alliance Project. I noticed that an ambient air quality analysis and health risk assessment was completed for the project. May you please request the electronic modeling (AERMOD) and HARP2 files for both analyses from the consultant/applicant and submit them to the District as soon as possible. We will need them in order to complete our review of the DEIR.

Best regards,

# **Diana Walker**

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# San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District (Valley Air District-1)

Response to Valley Air District-1-1

The commenter states that they are reviewing the Draft EIR and requests the American Meteorological Society/United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Regulatory Model (AERMOD) and Hotspots Analysis and Reporting Program (HARP2) files be sent to the Valley Air District in order to complete their review.

This comment is noted and acknowledged. FirstCarbon Solutions (FCS), on behalf of the City, submitted the requested files to the Valley Air District on May 10, 2022.

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June 2, 2022

Victoria Lombardo City of Tracy **Development Services Department** 333 Civic Center Plaza Tracy, CA 95376

Project: Draft Environmental Impact Report for Tracy Alliance Project

District CEQA Reference No: 20220531

Dear Ms. Lombardo:

The San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District (District) has reviewed the Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) for the Tracy Alliance Project for City of Tracy (City). Per the DEIR, the proposed project consists of the construction and operation of approximately 3,352,320 square feet of warehouse and distribution development (Project), located at the northeast corner of Grant Line Road and Paradise Road in Tracy CA.

The District offers the following comments regarding the Project:

# 1) Project Related Emissions

# 1a) Project Trip Length Assumption for Operational Off-Site Heavy Heavy-Duty **Truck Travel**

Per Appendix B (Air Quality and Greenhouse Gas Emissions Supporting Information) of the DEIR, the California Emissions Estimator Model (CalEEMod) analysis includes a 6.9-mile trip length for quantifying Project operational emissions from heavy heavy-duty (HHD) truck travel. However, warehouse development projects typically result in a high volume of HHD truck trips that generally travel further distances (e.g. trip length) for distribution. Without sufficient justification in the DEIR to support the 6.9-mile trip length, the analysis may be underestimating the Project's operational emissions. Therefore, the District recommends the DEIR be revised to either justify the use of a 6.9-mile trip length for this Project or reflect an appropriate trip length distance that is supported

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by project-specific factors and include a qualitative discussion in the DEIR for consistency.

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# 1b) Recommended Mitigation to Reduce Operational Air Quality Impacts

Per the DEIR, specifically Table 3.3-12 (Unmitigated *Annual Operational Emissions*) demonstrates Project operational emissions are expected to exceed the District's significance thresholds. Therefore, the District recommends the DEIR be revised to include a Voluntary Emission Reduction Agreement (VERA) for this Project.

A VERA is a mitigation measure by which the project proponent provides poundfor-pound mitigation of emissions increases through a process that develops,
funds, and implements emission reduction projects, with the District serving a role
of administrator of the emissions reduction projects and verifier of the successful
mitigation effort. To implement a VERA, the project proponent and the District
enter into a contractual agreement in which the project proponent agrees to
mitigate project specific emissions by providing funds for the District's incentives
programs. The funds are disbursed by the District in the form of grants for projects
that achieve emission reductions. Thus, project-related impacts on air quality can
be mitigated. Types of emission reduction projects that have been funded in the
past include electrification of stationary internal combustion engines (such as
agricultural irrigation pumps), replacing old heavy-duty trucks with new, cleaner,
more efficient heavy-duty trucks, and replacement of old farm tractors.

In implementing a VERA, the District verifies the actual emission reductions that have been achieved as a result of completed grant contracts, monitors the emission reduction projects, and ensures the enforceability of achieved reductions. After the project is mitigated, the District certifies to the Lead Agency that the mitigation is completed, providing the Lead Agency with an enforceable mitigation measure demonstrating that project-related emissions have been mitigated. To assist the Lead Agency and project proponent in ensuring that the environmental document is compliant with CEQA, the District recommends the environmental document includes an assessment of the feasibility of implementing a VERA.

# 2) Health Risk Assessment

Per the DEIR, the Project-related health impacts are expected to exceed the District's significance threshold of 20 in a million for cancer risk for new developments under CEQA. Therefore, the District recommends that the Project not be approved unless the DEIR is revised to include additional mitigation measures to reduce the Project-level health impacts to below the District's significance thresholds.

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# 3) District Rule 9510 - Indirect Source Review

The Project is subject to District Rule 9510 because it will receive a project-level discretionary approval from a public agency and will equal or exceed 25,000 square feet of light industrial space.

The purpose of District Rule 9510 is to reduce the growth in both NOx and PM emissions associated with development and transportation projects from mobile and area sources; specifically, the emissions associated with the construction and subsequent operation of development projects. The Rule encourages clean air design elements to be incorporated into the development project. In case the proposed project clean air design elements are insufficient to meet the targeted emission reductions, the rule requires developers to pay a fee to fund projects to achieve off-site emissions reductions.

Per Section 5.0 of the ISR Rule, an Air Impact Assessment (AIA) application is required to be submitted no later than applying for project-level approval from a public agency. As of the date of this letter, the District has not received an AIA application for this Project. Please inform the project proponent to immediately submit an AIA application to the District to comply with District Rule 9510. One AIA application should be submitted for the entire Project. It is preferable for the applicant to submit an AIA application as early as possible in the public agency's (City of Tracy) approval process so that proper mitigation and clean air design under ISR can be incorporated into the public agency's analysis.

Information about how to comply with District Rule 9510 can be found online at: http://www.valleyair.org/ISR/ISRHome.htm.

The AIA application form can be found online at: http://www.valleyair.org/ISR/ISRFormsAndApplications.htm.

District staff is available to provide assistance, and can be reached by phone at (559) 230-5900 or by email at ISR@valleyair.org.

# 4) Recommended Emissions Reductions Strategies to Reduce Project Air Quality Impacts

# 4a) Industrial/Warehouse Emission Reduction Strategies

The District recommends the City consider the feasibility of incorporating emission reduction strategies that also reduce potential harmful health impacts, such as those listed below:

- Ensure solid screen buffering trees, solid decorative walls, and/or other natural ground landscaping techniques are implemented along the property line of adjacent sensitive receptors
- Ensure all landscaping be drought tolerant
- Orient loading docks away from sensitive receptors unless physically impossible
- Locate loading docks a minimum of 300 feet away from the property line of sensitive receptor unless dock is exclusively used for electric trucks
- Incorporate signage and "pavement markings" to clearly identify on-site circulation patterns to minimize unnecessary on-site vehicle travel
- Locate truck entries on streets of a higher commercial classification.
- Ensure all building roofs be solar-ready
- Ensure all portions of roof tops that are not covered with solar panels are constructed to have light colored roofing material with a solar reflective index of greater than 78
- Ensure rooftop solar panels are installed and operated to supply 100% of the power needed to operate all non-refrigerated portions of the development project
- Ensure power sources at loading docks for all refrigerated trucks have "plugin" capacity, which will eliminate prolonged idling while loading and unloading goods
- Incorporate bicycle racks and electric bike plug-ins
- Require the use of super-compliant volatile organic compounds (VOC) architectural and industrial maintenance coatings
- Prohibit the use of non-emergency diesel-powered generators during construction
- Inform the project proponent of the incentive programs (e.g., Carl Moyer Program and Voucher Incentive Program) offered to reduce air emissions from the Project

# 4b) Truck Routing

Truck routing involves the assessment of which roads HHD trucks take to and from their destination, and the emissions impact that the HHD trucks may have on residential communities and sensitive receptors.

Per the DEIR, the Project will result in increased HHD truck trips. Therefore, the District recommends the City evaluate HHD truck routing patterns for the Project, with the aim of limiting exposure of residential communities and sensitive receptors to emissions. This evaluation would consider the current truck routes, the quantity and type of each truck (e.g., Medium Heavy-Duty, HHD, etc.), the destination and origin of each trip, traffic volume correlation with the time of day or the day of the week, overall Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT), and associated exhaust emissions. The truck routing evaluation would also identify alternative truck routes and their impacts on VMT and air quality.

# 4c) Reduce Idling of Heavy-Duty Trucks

The goal of this strategy is to limit the potential for localized PM2.5 and toxic air contaminant impacts associated with the idling of Heavy-Duty trucks. The diesel exhaust from idling has the potential to impose significant adverse health and environmental impacts.

Since the Project is expected to result in HHD truck trips, the District recommends the DEIR be revised to include measures to ensure compliance of the state anti-idling regulation (13 CCR § 2485 and 13 CCR § 2480) and discuss the importance of limiting the amount of idling, especially near sensitive receptors. In addition, the District recommends the City consider the feasibility of implementing a more stringent 3-minute idling restriction and requiring appropriate signage and enforcement of idling restrictions.

# 4d) Electric On-Site Off-Road and On-Road Equipment

Since the Project will result in industrial development, it has the potential to result in increased use of off-road equipment (e.g., forklifts) and on-road equipment (e.g., mobile yard trucks with the ability to move materials). The District recommends that the DEIR include requirements for project proponents to utilize electric or zero emission off-road and on-road equipment.

# 4e) Vegetative Barriers and Urban Greening

There are residential units located northeast and southeast of the Project. The District suggests the City consider the feasibility of incorporating vegetative barriers and urban greening as a measure to further reduce air pollution exposure on sensitive receptors (e.g., residential units).

While various emission control techniques and programs exist to reduce air quality emissions from mobile and stationary sources, vegetative barriers have been shown to be an additional measure to potentially reduce a population's exposure to air pollution through the interception of airborne particles and the update of gaseous pollutants. Examples of vegetative barriers include, but are not limited to the following: trees, bushes, shrubs, or a mix of these. Generally, a higher and thicker vegetative barrier with full coverage will result in greater reductions in downwind pollutant concentrations. In the same manner, urban greening is also a way to help improve air quality and public health in addition to enhancing the overall beautification of a community with drought tolerant, low-maintenance greenery.

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# 4f) On-Site Solar Deployment

It is the policy of the State of California that renewable energy resources and zerocarbon resources supply 100% of retail sales of electricity to California end-use customers by December 31, 2045. While various emission control techniques and programs exist to reduce air quality emissions from mobile and stationary sources, the production of solar energy is contributing to improving air quality and public health. The District suggests that the City consider incorporating solar power systems as an emission reduction strategy for the Project.

# 4g) Electric Vehicle Chargers

To support and accelerate the installation of electric vehicle charging equipment and development of required infrastructure, the District offers incentives to public agencies, businesses, and property owners of multi-unit dwellings to install electric charging infrastructure (Level 2 and 3 chargers). The purpose of the District's Charge Up! Incentive program is to promote clean air alternative-fuel technologies and the use of low or zero-emission vehicles. The District recommends that the City and project proponents install electric vehicle chargers at project sites, and at strategic locations.

Please visit <u>www.valleyair.org/grants/chargeup.htm</u> for more information.

# 5) <u>District Rules and Regulations</u>

The District issues permits for many types of air pollution sources, and regulates some activities that do not require permits. A project subject to District rules and regulations would reduce its impacts on air quality through compliance with the District's regulatory framework. In general, a regulation is a collection of individual rules, each of which deals with a specific topic. As an example, Regulation II (Permits) includes District Rule 2010 (Permits Required), Rule 2201 (New and Modified Stationary Source Review), Rule 2520 (Federally Mandated Operating Permits), and several other rules pertaining to District permitting requirements and processes.

The list of rules below is neither exhaustive nor exclusive. Current District rules can be found online at: <a href="www.valleyair.org/rules/1ruleslist.htm">www.valleyair.org/rules/1ruleslist.htm</a>. To identify other District rules or regulations that apply to future projects, or to obtain information about District permit requirements, the project proponents are strongly encouraged to contact the District's Small Business Assistance (SBA) Office at (209) 557-6446.

# 5a) District Rules 2010 and 2201 - Air Quality Permitting for Stationary Sources

Stationary Source emissions include any building, structure, facility, or installation which emits or may emit any affected pollutant directly or as a fugitive emission.

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District Rule 2010 (Permits Required) requires operators of emission sources to obtain an Authority to Construct (ATC) and Permit to Operate (PTO) from the District. District Rule 2201 (New and Modified Stationary Source Review) requires that new and modified stationary sources of emissions mitigate their emissions using Best Available Control Technology (BACT).

This Project may be subject to District Rule 2010 (Permits Required) and Rule 2201 (New and Modified Stationary Source Review) and may require District permits. Prior to construction, the Project proponent should submit to the District an application for an ATC. For further information or assistance, the project proponent may contact the District's SBA Office at (209) 557-6446.

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# 5b) District Rule 9410 (Employer Based Trip Reduction)

The Project may be subject to District Rule 9410 (Employer Based Trip Reduction) if the project would result in employment of 100 or more "eligible" employees. District Rule 9410 requires employers with 100 or more "eligible" employees at a worksite to establish an Employer Trip Reduction Implementation Plan (eTRIP) that encourages employees to reduce single-occupancy vehicle trips, thus reducing pollutant emissions associated with work commutes. Under an eTRIP plan, employers have the flexibility to select the options that work best for their worksites and their employees.

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Information about District Rule 9410 can be found online at: www.valleyair.org/tripreduction.htm.

For additional information, you can contact the District by phone at 559-230-6000 or by e-mail at etrip@valleyair.org

# 5c) District Rule 4002 (National Emissions Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants)

The Project will be subject to District Rule 4002 since the Project will include demolition of existing structures. To protect the public from uncontrolled emissions of asbestos, this rule requires a thorough inspection for asbestos to be conducted before any regulated facility is demolished or renovated. Any asbestos present must be handled in accordance with established work practice standards and disposal requirements.

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Information on how to comply with District Rule 4002 can be found online at: http://www.valleyair.org/busind/comply/asbestosbultn.htm.

# 5d) District Rule 4601 (Architectural Coatings)

The Project will be subject to District Rule 4601 since it is expected to utilize architectural coatings. Architectural coatings are paints, varnishes, sealers, or stains that are applied to structures, portable buildings, pavements or curbs. The purpose of this rule is to limit VOC emissions from architectural coatings. In addition, this rule specifies architectural coatings storage, cleanup and labeling requirements. Additional information on how to comply with District Rule 4601 requirements can be found online at: http://www.valleyair.org/rules/currntrules/r4601.pdf.

# 5e) District Regulation VIII (Fugitive PM10 Prohibitions)

The Project will be required to submit a Construction Notification Form and submit and receive approval of a Dust Control Plan prior to commencing any earthmoving activities as described in Regulation VIII, specifically Rule 8021 – Construction, Demolition, Excavation, Extraction, and Other Earthmoving Activities.

Since the Project will result in at least 1-acre in size, the project proponent shall provide written notification to the District at least 48 hours prior to the project proponents intent to commence any earthmoving activities pursuant to District Rule 8021 (Construction, Demolition, Excavation, Extraction, and Other Earthmoving Activities). Also, should the project result in the disturbance of 5-acres or more, or will include moving, depositing, or relocating more than 2,500 cubic yards per day of bulk materials, the project proponent shall submit to the District a Dust Control Plan pursuant to District Rule 8021 (Construction, Demolition, Excavation, Extraction, and Other Earthmoving Activities). For additional information regarding the written notification or Dust Control Plan requirements, please contact District Compliance staff at (559) 230-5950.

The application for both the Construction Notification and Dust Control Plan can be found online at:

https://www.valleyair.org/busind/comply/PM10/forms/DCP-Form.docx

Information about District Regulation VIII can be found online at: http://www.valleyair.org/busind/comply/pm10/compliance pm10.htm

# 5f) Other District Rules and Regulations

The Project may also be subject to the following District rules: Rule 4102 (Nuisance) and Rule 4641 (Cutback, Slow Cure, and Emulsified Asphalt, Paving and Maintenance Operations).

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# 6) District Comment Letter

The District recommends that a copy of the District's comments be provided to the Project proponent.

If you have any questions or require further information, please contact Diana Walker by e-mail at <u>Diana.Walker@valleyair.org</u> or by phone at (559) 230-5820.

Sincerely,

Brian Clements
Director of Permit Services

Mark Montelongo Program Manager



#### San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District (Valley Air District-2)

The following responses include discussion of new mitigation measures to address comments from the Valley Air District that the applicant has agreed to adopt. The mitigation measures are appropriately discussed in this Final EIR and are incorporated into the Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program (MMRP) because the new mitigation measures would result in further emission reductions; they would not themselves involve new significant effects or substantially increase the severity of previously analyzed significant effects that would require the recirculation of the Draft EIR.

Under Laurel Heights Improvement Ass'n v. Regents of Univ. of Cal. (1993) 6 C4th 1112 and CEQA Guidelines Section 15088.5(a)(3)), when information added to the Final EIR consists of a suggested new mitigation measure, recirculation is only required if the mitigation measure meets each of the following criteria (South County Citizens for Smart Growth v. County of Nevada (2013) 221 CA4th 316, 330):

- It is feasible;
- It is considerably different from the alternatives or mitigation measures already evaluated in the Draft EIR;
- It would clearly lessen the project's significant environmental impacts; and
- It is not adopted.

These new mitigation measures are accepted by the applicant and will be adopted and implemented with the construction of the proposed project, as applicable. Therefore, recirculation is not required.

#### Response to Valley Air District-2-1

The commenter states that the Valley Air District has reviewed the Draft EIR for the proposed project and notes that the proposed project consists of the construction and operation of approximately 3,352,320 square feet of warehouse and distribution development.

This comment is noted and acknowledged. Because it does not raise any specific project-related environmental issues under CEQA, no further response is required.

#### Response to Valley Air District-2-2

The commenter identifies that Appendix B of the Draft EIR includes a 6.9-mile trip length for quantifying heavy heavy-duty (HHD) truck traffic, but notes that warehouse development projects typically result in a high volume of HHD truck trips that generally travel distances further than 6.9 miles. Therefore, the commenter requests either (1) justification for the use of this metric, or (2) revisions to the analysis that reflect an appropriate trip length distance that is supported by project-specific factors and include a qualitative discussion for consistency.

The average HHD truck travel distance utilized in the CalEEMod modeling to support the Air Quality Analysis of the Draft EIR is 11.35 miles rather than the 6.9-mile distance referred to by the commenter. As shown in Appendix B of the Draft EIR, the California Emissions Estimator Model (CalEEMod) utilizes three separate travel distance metrics by default. In this case, the model's truck

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trips were divided, with 41 percent assigned to a "H-O or C-NW" trip type with a default distance of 6.6 miles per trip and 59 percent assigned to a "H-W or C-W" trip type with a default distance of 14.7 miles per trip. Therefore, the model's default truck travel distance would be an average 11.35 miles per trip  $((14.7 \times 0.59) + (6.6 \times 0.41) = 11.35)$ .

Based on available information, the project applicants have identified three regionally located intermodal facilities as the most likely origins and destinations for much of their operations: an intermodal facility located at 1000 East Roth Road, Lathrop, California 95231, approximately 12.1 miles from the project site, an Amazon distribution center, located along East Paradise Road approximately 1 mile from the project site, and a UPS distribution center, located along West Shulte Road approximately 10.9 miles from the project site. Considering an even distribution between the three listed product origins and destinations, trucks traveling to and from the project site during operation would travel an average of 8 miles per trip. As the CalEEMod default results in an average truck travel distance of 11.35 miles, as shown in Appendix B of the Draft EIR, the proposed project's trucking activity was conservatively captured in the modeling contained in Appendix B of the Draft EIR and no revisions to the analysis are determined to be necessary in order to comply with CEQA.

#### Response to Valley Air District-2-3

The commenter recommends that the Draft EIR be revised to include a Voluntary Emission Reduction Agreement (VERA) for the project and describes that a VERA is a contractual agreement between the project proponent and the Valley Air District.

A VERA is a voluntary recommendation, it is not a requirement. In addition, because the project would result in the development of greater than 25,000 square feet of light industrial building space, the project would be required to pay emission reduction fees associated with its Indirect Source Review application, consistent with the requirements contained in District Rule 9510. The Indirect Source Review application and fees to the Valley Air District would reduce project emissions since the Air District would direct the fees to fund other air quality improvement measures throughout the District. Although the proposed project would not include a VERA, the incorporation of Indirect Source Review application measures and payment of fees would further offset proposed project air pollutant emissions. No further response is required.

#### Response to Valley Air District-2-4

The commenter describes that through a VERA, the Valley Air District verifies emission reductions achieved by complete grant contracts, monitors the emission reduction projects, and ensures the enforceability of achieved reductions.

No further response is required.

#### Response to Valley Air District-2-5

The commenter states that the project-related health impacts are anticipated to exceed the Valley Air District's significance threshold of 20 in one million for cancer risk for new developments under CEQA. The commenter recommends that the proposed project not be approved unless the Draft EIR is revised to include additional mitigation measures to reduce the project-level health impacts to below the Valley Air District's significance thresholds.

To the extent the commenter is expressing an opinion on the merits of the proposed project, the comment will be noted and included in the administrative record for consideration by the City's decision-makers. The City, as Lead Agency, has the authority to approve the proposed project even if significant and unavoidable impacts would occur so long as the City's basis for doing so is supported by the required CEQA findings, including, if necessary, a Statement of Overriding Considerations. As noted in Section 3.3, Biological Resources, of the Draft EIR, while the final determination of whether a project would have a significant impact is within the purview of the Lead Agency pursuant to Section 15064(b) of the CEQA Guidelines, the City, in its discretion, has acted in accordance with Valley Air District's recommendation that its quantitative air pollution thresholds be used to determine the significance of project emissions. The applicable Valley Air District thresholds and methodologies are contained under each impact statement in Section 3.3, as the City, in its discretion, has determined to utilize these thresholds and methodologies, which are based on scientific and factual data.

For purposes of conducting the health risk impact analysis, the Draft EIR's analysis properly identified the closest sensitive receptors to the proposed project; it also noted that the Maximally Impacted Sensitive Receptor (MIR) during each construction phase of the proposed project, which may be different since the MIR during pollutant-generating activity is influenced by the distance of that receptor to the pollutant source(s), the amount and type of pollutants generated by each source, the topography and direction of the MIR as it relates to the pollutant source(s), and the prevailing meteorological conditions. As discussed under Impact AIR-3 in Section 3.3, Air Quality, the Draft EIR analyzed the health risk impacts during operation of Phase 1 of the proposed project as that is the only phase for which project-specific information was available, such as specific local truck travel routes, possible locations of on-site vehicle and equipment idling, and general building design and orientation on the project site. Nevertheless, it is reasonable to conclude that the health risk impacts resulting from operation of Phase 1 would be generally representative of and thus adequately identify and disclose operational impacts at full buildout. As discussed under Impact AIR-3 in Section 3.3, Air Quality, Phase 1 of the proposed project would constitute approximately 55 percent of total trucking activities for the proposed project and operation of Phase 1 would result in approximately 13.13 excess cancer cases per one million people.

Taking the above analytical approach, Phase 1 would result in approximately 55 percent of total trucking activities across the proposed project, representing the principal operational source of diesel particulate matter (DPM). Phase 1 of the proposed project could result in up to 11 excess cancer cases per one million people (i.e., 55 percent of 20 cancer cases per one million people, which is the Valley Air District's significance threshold). As discussed under Impact AIR-3 in Section 3.3, Air Quality, the 13.13 cancer cases per one million people from Phase 1 operations would be greater than 11 cancer cases in one million people. Because Phase 1 of the proposed project would result in cancer cases that exceed 55 percent of the Valley Air District's significance threshold, the proposed project has the potential to result in significant health impacts to nearby sensitive receptors during operation at full buildout. MM AIR-1d would result in reductions to DPM from the operation of a clean truck fleet during operation of all phases of the proposed project; however, the potential DPM emission reductions resulting from implementation of MM AIR-1d cannot be quantified at this time due to unknown engine emission factors for trucks meeting the California Air

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Resources Board (ARB) low oxides of nitrogen (NOX) emission standards. Because the health risk impacts analyzed conclude that the proposed project could result in potentially significant health impacts and the efficacy of implementation of MM AIR-1d for DPM emission reductions cannot be quantified, the Draft EIR's analysis conservatively concluded that Impact AIR-3 would be significant and unavoidable.

Nonetheless and although not required as mitigation for any impact, to further reduce potential health risk impacts to the nearest sensitive receptors to the project site (the residences and school along Grant Line Road and El Rancho Road), the City has agreed to adopt and the project applicants have agreed to implement MM AIR-1e, which has been added to Section 3.3, Air Quality, of the Draft EIR to require that trucks accessing the project site are prohibited from using Grant Line Road east of the project site. These changes can be seen in Section 3.1 of the Errata, and have been incorporated into the updated MMRP. In addition, the project applicants are willing to voluntarily implement signage along project frontage on Grant Line Road to deter trucks from traveling on Grant Line Road east of the project site, and would agree to voluntarily implement routine communications between property managers and tenants to ensure tenant understanding that trucks accessing the project site are prohibited from using Grant Line Road east of the project site. These measures will be incorporated as conditions of approval.

When information added to the Final EIR consists of an additional mitigation measure, recirculation is required only if the new mitigation measure is considerably different from the alternatives or mitigation measures already evaluated in the Draft EIR; would clearly lessen the proposed project's significant environmental impacts; and is not adopted. Recirculation is required only if each of the above criteria is met. (South County Citizens for Smart Growth v. County of Nevada (2013) 221 CA4th 316, 330). Here, the applicants have voluntarily accepted the inclusion of this mitigation measure; therefore, recirculation is not required. These changes can be seen in Section 3.1 of the Errata as well as the updated MMRP.

#### Response to Valley Air District-2-6

The commenter notes that the proposed project is subject to District Rule 9510 Indirect Source Review. The commenter also summarizes the purposes and requirements under District Rule 9510, including the need to prepare an Air Impact Assessment (AIA).

This comment is noted and acknowledged, and the commenter is referred to the Regulatory Framework of Section 3.3, Air Quality, of the Draft EIR, where these requirements were noted. Specifically, the Valley Air District's rules and regulations that could apply to the proposed project, including District Rule 9510 – Indirect Source Review, are listed in Section 3.3, Air Quality, on page 3.3-20 through 3.3-21 of the Draft EIR. Page 3.3-21 of the Draft EIR states that the proposed project would be required to comply with Rule 9510 because it would develop more than 25,000 square feet of light industrial uses, including submittal of the required AIA application. See also the Impact Discussion in Impact AIR-1. No further response is required.

#### Response to Valley Air District-2-7

The commenter states that the City should consider the feasibility of a list of provided measures to reduce emissions and health impacts.

As identified in Section 3.3, Air Quality, and in accordance with the requirements under CEQA, a series of feasible mitigation measures have been identified, which would be imposed on the proposed project to reduce emissions and health risk impacts to the extent practicable. As requested by the commenter, the City and its consultants have considered the feasibility of incorporating the suggested additional measures. Those listed by the commenter, such as the inclusion of a screen buffer of trees, solid decorative walls, and/or other natural ground landscaping techniques around the project site eastern property line adjacent to sensitive receptors; ensuring all landscaping is drought tolerant; or signage/pavement markings identifying on-site circulation, would not result in sufficient reductions in emissions to ensure that emissions and subsequent health risk impacts would not exceed the District's significance thresholds. The reason these additional mitigation measures would not reduce emissions below the Valley Air District thresholds is because the majority of operational emissions are due to the use of HHD truck fleets. Signage/pavement marking identifying on-site circulation would not reduce the number of trucks visiting the project site on any given day or substantially change or reduce the amount of time trucks would spend idling or traveling on or near the project site. However, additional mitigation measures were included in the Final EIR that would reduce the project's potential to expose sensitive receptors to elevated levels of toxic air contaminants (TACs). These measures include MM AIR-1f (idling limitation), MM AIR-1g (electric on-site off-Road and on-road equipment), and MM AIR-1h (vegetated project site buffer). These mitigation measures align with the intent of the mitigation measures suggested by the commentor. Specifically, MM AIR-1-h requires each individual development proposal within the project site to demonstrate inclusion of a vegetative buffer.

Furthermore, a number of the measures listed by the commenter are already incorporated into the project as design features, such as providing bicycle parking consistent with City requirements, or have already been identified as mitigation; i.e., MM AIR-1b and -1c, which require during construction low volatile organic compound (VOC) architectural coating and paints which do not exceed 10 grams of reactive organic gas (ROG) per liter of paint and Zero VOC consumer products during operation.

Nevertheless, as described further below, although not required to do so, the City has agreed to adopt and the project applicants have agreed to incorporate the following additional measures: MM AIR-1e (operational truck fleet routing), MM AIR-1f (idling limitation), MM AIR-1g (electric on-site off-road and on-road equipment), MM AIR-1h (vegetated project site buffer), and MM AIR-1i (Tier 2 CALGreen electric vehicle charging infrastructure). These mitigation measures have been included in this Final EIR (as shown in Section 3.1 of the Errata) as well as in the updated MMRP, and would result in additional emission reductions during project operation beyond what was identified in the Draft EIR. Nonetheless, the quantified emission reductions experienced by these new mitigation measures cannot be identified at this time due to the limitations of emissions modeling, such as CalEEMod. However, such quantification is not required because as mentioned previously, the vast majority of emissions would be due to HHD truck use during operation and impacts would remain significant and unavoidable.

#### Response to Valley Air District-2-8

The commenter notes that truck routing involves the assessment of which roads HHD trucks will use during project operation. The commenter indicates that the truck routing patterns can result in

impacts to nearby residential communities and sensitive receptors and states that truck routing for the project should be identified, with the aim of limiting exposure to emissions. The commenter then notes the recommended methodology in conducting this assessment.

As identified in Chapter 2, Project Description, of the Draft EIR, approximately 12.51 acres of the Tracy Alliance parcel would be reserved to accommodate a portion of a planned interchange at Paradise Road and Interstate 205 (I-205) where future trucks would access the project site once built. This future interchange has been identified by the project applicant as the primary truck route for trucks accessing the project site during operation once it is constructed and the interchange is assumed to be in place as part of the cumulative conditions within the Transportation Impact Analysis prepared by Kimley-Horn. As illustrated in Appendix B of the Draft EIR, the operational Health Risk Assessment (HRA) prepared for the proposed project to support the analysis under Impact AIR-3 in Section 3.3, Air Quality, accounted for all possible local arterials that could support the future trucking activities of the proposed project. This consideration in the HRA accounted for known trucking information including the possible local route network (i.e., current and future truck routes), the quantity, type, and volume of truck trips and VMT, and associated exhaust emissions. For example, the CalEEMod operational scenarios used project-specific truck trip lengths based on applicant information of three points of origin for truck trips, which provided an accurate representation of the potential exhaust emissions associated with operations. Nonetheless, and although not required as mitigation for any impact, the City has agreed to adopt and the project applicants have agreed to implement MM AIR-1e, which has been added to this Final EIR to prohibit trucks that are accessing the project site from using Grant Line Road east of the project site. This mitigation When information added to the Final EIR consists of an additional mitigation measure, recirculation is required only if the new mitigation measure is considerably different from the alternatives or mitigation measures already evaluated in the Draft EIR; would clearly lessen the proposed project's significant environmental impacts; and is not adopted. Recirculation is required only if each of the above criteria is met. (South County Citizens for Smart Growth v. County of Nevada (2013) 221 CA4th 316, 330). Here, the applicants have voluntarily accepted the inclusion of this mitigation measure; therefore, recirculation is not required. These changes can be seen in Section 3.1 of the Errata as well as the updated MMRP.

#### Response to Valley Air District-2-9

The commenter summarizes the goal of the idling reduction strategy. The commenter then notes that because of the volume of truck traffic anticipated for the proposed project, and recommends that the Draft EIR be revised to include measures to ensure compliance with the State anti-idling regulation; to discuss the importance of limiting idling near sensitive receptors; and to include a more stringent 3-minute idling restriction for on-site trucks accessing the site (along with related signage and enforcement) to reduce associated exhaust emissions.

Consistent with the comment, Section 3.3, Air Quality, of the Draft EIR addresses the State anti-idling regulation as well as the impacts of idling on sensitive receptors absent restrictions (see, e.g., pages 3.3-16 and 3.3-47 through -49).

In addition, although not required as mitigation for any impact, in response to this comment, the City has agreed to adopt and the project applicants have agreed to implement MM AIR-1f, which

would restrict on-site vehicle idling to no greater than 3 minutes. These changes can be seen in Section 3.1 of the Errata as well as the updated MMRP. When information added to the Final EIR consists of an additional mitigation measure, recirculation is required only if the new mitigation measure is considerably different from the alternatives or mitigation measures already evaluated in the Draft EIR; would clearly lessen the proposed project's significant environmental impacts; and is not adopted. Recirculation is required only if each of the above criteria is met. (*South County Citizens for Smart Growth v. County of Nevada (2013) 221 CA4th 316, 330*). Here, the applicants have voluntarily accepted the inclusion of this mitigation measure; therefore, recirculation is not required. These changes can be seen in Section 3.1 of the Errata as well as the updated MMRP.

#### Response to Valley Air District-2-10

Because of the industrial nature of the proposed project, the commenter notes that it has the potential to result in increased use of on-site and off-road equipment. Therefore, the commenter recommends the use of on-site on- and off-road equipment (e.g., forklifts, pallet jacks) be limited to only electric equipment and vehicles.

Consistent with the comment, Section 3.3, Air Quality, of the Draft EIR evaluates the potential impact of project operations in terms of DPM emissions due to HHD trucks and passenger vehicles. Although the Draft EIR did not specifically evaluate the impacts of the use of on-site and off-road equipment; the Draft EIR discusses the primary source of DPM and TAC emissions from the project operation, which is the use of HHD trucks.

In addition, although not required as mitigation for any impact, in response to this comment, the City has agreed to adopt and the project applicants have agreed to implement MM AIR-1g, which would require the use of electric on-site and on- and off-road equipment in place of non-electric alternatives. These changes can be seen in Section 3.1 of the Errata as well as the updated MMRP. When information added to the Final EIR consists of an additional mitigation measure, recirculation is required only if the new mitigation measure is considerably different from the alternatives or mitigation measures already evaluated in the Draft EIR; would clearly lessen the proposed project's significant environmental impacts; and is not adopted. Recirculation is required only if each of the above criteria is met. (South County Citizens for Smart Growth v. County of Nevada (2013) 221 CA4th 316, 330). Here, the applicants have voluntarily accepted the inclusion of this mitigation measure; therefore, recirculation is not required. These changes can be seen in Section 3.1 of the Errata as well as the updated MMRP.

#### Response to Valley Air District-2-11

Because of the industrial nature of the proposed project and its proximity to nearby sensitive receptors, the commenter suggests that the City consider the feasibility of incorporating vegetative barriers and urban greening around the project site to further reduce air pollution exposure to sensitive receptors. The commenter also notes the purpose of these measures.

Consistent with the comment, Section 3.3, Air Quality, of the Draft EIR evaluates the potential impact of project operations on sensitive receptors; see, page 3.3-47.

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In addition, although not required as mitigation for any impact, in response to this comment, MM AIR-1h has been added to Section 3.3, Air Quality, of the Draft EIR to require the installation of a vegetative barrier at the eastern boundary of the project site, between I-205 and Grant Line Road. These changes can be seen in Section 3.1 of the Errata as well as the updated MMRP. When information added to the Final EIR consists of an additional mitigation measure, recirculation is required only if the new mitigation measure is considerably different from the alternatives or mitigation measures already evaluated in the Draft EIR; would clearly lessen the proposed project's significant environmental impacts; and is not adopted. Recirculation is required only if each of the above criteria is met. (South County Citizens for Smart Growth v. County of Nevada (2013) 221 CA4th 316, 330). Here, the applicants have voluntarily accepted the inclusion of this mitigation measure; therefore, recirculation is not required. These changes can be seen in Section 3.1 of the Errata as well as the updated MMRP.

#### Response to Valley Air District-2-12

The commenter states that it is the policy of the State of California to increase renewable and zero-carbon energy resources in the procurement of electricity sold in-state to reach 100 percent by December 31, 2045, and notes that the production of solar energy is contributing to improving air quality and public health. The commenter suggests that the City consider incorporating solar power systems as an emission reduction strategy for the proposed project.

Consistent with the comment, as discussed in the Draft EIR (see, Chapter 3-6 Energy and 3-8 Greenhouse Gas Emissions), the proposed project would be required to be designed in compliance with the applicable California Building Standards Code (CBC), which reflect some of the most stringent requirements in the nation. Currently, the CBC requires that nonresidential projects construct their roofs to be solar-ready to accommodate the future installation of solar panels. The proposed project would be required to comply with the foregoing, thereby contributing to improved air quality and public health through the production of solar energy.

#### Response to Valley Air District-2-13

The commenter states that the Valley Air District offers a Charge Up! Incentive program to public agencies, businesses, and property owners to install electric vehicle (EV) charging infrastructure and recommends that the City and project proponents install EV chargers at project sites and at strategic locations.

Although not required as mitigation for any impact, in response to this comment, the City has agreed to adopt and the project applicants have agreed to implement MM AIR-1i, which would require the installation of EV charging stations which meet the Tier 2 standards set forth in Section A5.106.5.3 of Appendix A5–Nonresidential Voluntary Measures of the California Green Building Standards Code (CALGreen) of the 2019 CBC. The inclusion, and acceptance of this additional measure by the project applicants, would further reduce emissions through support for the use of electric vehicles. When information added to the Final EIR consists of an additional mitigation measure, recirculation is required only if the new mitigation measure is considerably different from the alternatives or mitigation measures already evaluated in the Draft EIR; would clearly lessen the proposed project's significant environmental impacts; and is not adopted. Recirculation is required only if each of the above criteria is met. (South County Citizens for Smart Growth v. County of Nevada (2013) 221 CA4th

*316, 330*). Here, the applicant has voluntarily accepted the inclusion of this mitigation measure; therefore, recirculation is not required. These changes can be seen in Section 3.1 of the Errata as well as the updated MMRP.

#### Response to Valley Air District-2-14

The commenter notes that the District issues permits for many different types of air pollution sources, and indicates that such projects may be subject to a variety of District rules and regulations including, for example, Regulation II, Rules 2010, 2201, and 2520.

The comment is noted. It does not raise any specific project-related environmental issues under CEQA, and therefore no further response is needed.

#### Response to Valley Air District-2-15

The commenter summarizes the definition of stationary source emissions, notes relevant District Rules 2010 and 2201, and states that the proposed project may be subject to these rules; the commenter also recommends that the project applicant should submit an application for an Authority to Construct (ATC) prior to construction.

Section 3.3, Air Quality, of the Draft EIR discusses at length the Valley Air District's authority to regulate air pollution sources, and confirms that the proposed project would be required to comply with all applicable District rules and regulations. See, e.g., page 3.3-25; see also discussion for Impact AIR-1. For purposes of further clarifying and amplifying the analysis, the Valley Air District's Regulation II, Rules 2010 and 2201 have been added to Section 3.3, Air Quality, page 3.3-20 of the Draft EIR, and corresponding edits are reflected in Section 3.1 of the Errata.

#### Response to Valley Air District-2-16

The commenter states that the proposed project may be subject to Valley Air District Rule 9410.

Section 3.3, Air Quality, of the Draft EIR discusses at length the Valley Air District's authority to regulate air pollution sources, and confirms that the proposed project would be required to comply with all applicable District rules and regulations. See, e.g., page 3.3-20; see also discussion for Impact AIR-1. For purposes of further clarifying and amplifying the analysis, the Valley Air District's Rule 9410 has been added to Section 3.3, Air Quality, page 3.3-21 of the Draft EIR, and corresponding edits are reflected in Section 3.1 of the Errata.

#### Response to Valley Air District-2-17

The commenter states that the proposed project will be subject to Valley Air District's Rule 4002.

Section 3.3, Air Quality, of the Draft EIR discusses at length the Valley Air District's authority to regulate air pollution sources, and confirms that the proposed project would be required to comply with all applicable District rules and regulations. In particular, the analysis considers impacts associated with the proposed demolition. See the discussion for Impact AIR-1 and -2. For purposes of further clarifying and amplifying the analysis, the Valley Air District's Rule 4002 has been added to Section 3.3, Air Quality, page 3.3-20 of the Draft EIR, and corresponding edits are reflected in Section 3.1 of the Errata.

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#### Response to Valley Air District-2-18

The commenter notes that the proposed project would be subject to Valley Air District Rule 4601 Architectural Coatings.

Section 3.3, Air Quality, of the Draft EIR discusses at length the Valley Air District's authority to regulate air pollution sources, and confirms that the proposed project would be required to comply with all applicable District rules and regulations, including, among others, District Rule 4601. It also confirms that the proposed project would be required to comply with Rule 4601. See, e.g., pages 3.3-20 through 3.3-21 of the Draft EIR; see also discussion for Impact AIR-1. states

#### Response to Valley Air District-2-19

The commenter notes that the proposed project would be subject to Valley Air District Regulation VIII, specifically Rule 8021 (Fugitive  $PM_{10}$  Prohibitions), and summarizes the requirements for same.

Section 3.3, Air Quality, of the Draft EIR discusses at length the Valley Air District's authority to regulate air pollution sources, and confirms that the proposed project would be required to comply with all applicable District rules and regulations, including, among others, Regulation VIII. It also confirms that the proposed project would be required to comply with Regulation VIII. See, e.g., pages 3.3-20 through 3.3-21 of the Draft EIR; see also discussion for Impact AIR-1.

#### Response to Valley Air District-2-20

The commenter notes that the proposed project may be subject to Valley Air District Rules 4102 (Nuisance) and 4641 (Cutback, Slow Cure, and Emulsified Asphalt). This comment is noted.

Section 3.3, Air Quality, of the Draft EIR discusses at length the Valley Air District's authority to regulate air pollution sources, and confirms that the proposed project would be required to comply with all applicable District rules and regulations, including, among others, Rules 4102 and 4641. It also confirms that the proposed project would be required to comply with District Rules 4102 and 4641. See, e.g., pages 3.3-20 through 3.3-21 of the Draft EIR; see also discussion for Impact AIR-1.

#### Response to Valley Air District-2-21

The commenter states that the Valley Air District recommends that a copy of the District's comments be provided to the project proponent.

The Valley Air District's comments have been provided to the project applicants.

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Subject: Comments on Tracy Alliance EIR (SCH NO. 2020080524)

Dear Ms. Lombardo,

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the proposed Tracy Alliance Project. Please accept and consider these comments on behalf of Golden State Environmental Justice Alliance (GSEJA). Also, GSEJA formally requests to be added to the public interest list regarding any subsequent environmental documents, public notices, public hearings, and notices of determination for this project. Send all communications to Golden State Environmental Justice Alliance P.O. Box 79222 Corona, CA 92877.

# 1.0 Summary

The project proposes the construction and operation of 3,352,320 square feet of warehouse and distribution and related development on a total of approximately 191.18 acres. The project site is within unincorporated San Joaquin County adjacent to the City of Tracy's northeastern city limits and adjacent to the City of Tracy Northeast Industrial (NEI) Specific Plan area. The proposed project would require approval of annexation into the City of Tracy, pre-zoning, an amendment to the NEI Specific Plan, and a Tentative Parcel Maps or Lot Line Adjustment(s) to create final development lots. Development on the two Tracy Alliance parcels, as proposed by co-applicant Tracy Alliance Group, would consist of approximately 1,849,500 square feet of warehouse and distribution space located in three buildings. The proposed site plan includes approximately 1,134 automobile parking spaces and approximately 572 truck/trailer parking spaces. Approximately 12.51 acres of the Tracy Alliance land would be reserved to accommodate a portion of a planned interchange at Paradise Road and Interstate 205 (I-205).

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The San Joaquin County General Plan (County General Plan) designates the site as Agriculture-Urban Reserve (A/UR) and the County Zoning designation is Agriculture-minimum 40 acre lot (AG-40). The City of Tracy General Plan (General Plan) designates the project site as Industrial (I). The City does not have a Zoning designation for the project site because it is not currently within city limits. The project requests approval of a boundary reorganization (to annex the project site into the City of Tracy and detach the project site from the Tracy Rural Fire District), prezoning of the project site to a designation of NEI Specific Plan, and an amendment to the boundaries of the NEI Specific Plan to incorporate the project site (as well as any conforming amendments to the NEI Specific Plan to ensure consistency).

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# 3.3 Air Quality, 3.6 Energy, and 3.8 Greenhouse Gas Emissions

The EIR does not include for analysis relevant environmental justice issues in reviewing potential impacts, including cumulative impacts from the proposed project. This is especially significant as the surrounding community is highly burdened by pollution. According to CalEnviroScreen 4.0, CalEPA's screening tool that ranks each census tract in the state for pollution and socioeconomic vulnerability, the proposed project's census tract (6077005202) ranks worse than 97% of the rest of the state overall in pollution burden. The surrounding community, including Banta Elementary School, residences to the south and east, and adjacent SB 535 Census Tracts 6077005119 6077005302 (west), 6077005206 (west), and 6077003900 (east), 6077005122 (east), (north), bears the impact of multiple sources of pollution and is more polluted than average on every pollution indicator measured by CalEnviroScreen. For example, the project census tract ranks in the 97th percentile for drinking water impacts, 99th percentile for groundwater threats, 97th percentile for hazardous waste impacts, and 87th percentile for impaired waters. The project census tract also ranks in the 60th percentile for ozone burden, the 46th percentile for particulate matter (PM) 2.5 burden, 50th percentile for diesel PM burden, and the 68th percentile for traffic related impacts, which are all typically attributed to heavy vehicular activity in the The census tract also bears more impacts from cleanup sites than 89% of the state. Chemicals in the buildings, soil, or water at cleanup sites can move into nearby communities through the air or movement of water.

Further, the census tract is a diverse community including 33% Hispanic, 4% African-American, and 14% Asian-American residents, which are especially vulnerable to the impacts of pollution. The community has a high rate of low educational attainment, meaning 60% of the census tract over age 25 has not attained a high school diploma, which is an indication that they may lack health insurance or access to medical care. Medical care is vital for this census tract as it ranks in the 59th percentile for incidence of cardiovascular disease and 58th percentile for incidence of low birth weights.

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Additionally, the project's census tract (6077005202) and the census tracts adjacent to the project site (6077005119 (east), 6077005122 (east), 6077005302 (west), 6077005206 (west), and 6077003900 (north)) are identified as SB 535 Disadvantaged Communities, which is not discussed or presented for analysis in the EIR.

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The State of California lists three approved energy compliance modeling softwares for non-residential buildings: CBECC-Com, EnergyPro, and IES VE. CalEEMod is not listed as an approved software. The spreadsheet-based and CalEEMod modeling in Appendix E does not comply with the 2019 Building Energy Efficiency Standards and under reports the project's potentially significant GHG and Energy impacts to the public and decision makers. Since the EIR did not accurately or adequately model the energy impacts in compliance with Title 24, a finding of significance must be made. A revised EIR with modeling in one of the approved software types must be circulated for public review in order to adequately analyze the project's potentially significant environmental impacts. This is vital as the EIR utilizes CalEEMod as a source in its methodology and analysis, which is clearly not one of the approved softwares. Additionally, the Energy Use Summary within Appendix E is titled "Sunnyvale FCII Project Energy Use Summary," which does not correspond to the proposed project and further renders the EIR inadequate as an informational document.

It must also be noted that the City is not listed as a jurisdiction with local energy standards approved by the CA Energy Commission. According to the CA Energy Commission, "Local jurisdictions are required to apply to the Energy Commission for approval, documenting the supporting analysis for how the local government has determined that their proposed Standards will save more energy than the current statewide Standards and the basis of the local government's determination that the local standards are cost-effective." Therefore, compliance with the City's General Plan and/or Sustainability Action Plan does not comply with CA Energy Commission standards or AB 32/SB 32. The EIR is misleading to the public and decision makers by stating compliance with these standards when the local jurisdiction standards have not been approved by the CA Energy Commission. A revised EIR must be prepared with adequate analysis of project impacts utilizing an approved modeling software in order to be a reliable informational document in compliance with CEQA.

# 3.11 Land Use and Planning

The EIR does not provide any consistency analysis with the San Joaquin County Council of Governments (SJCOG) adopted 2018 RTP/SCS<sup>1</sup>. Due to errors in modeling and modeling without

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> SJCOG 2018 RTP/SCS <a href="https://www.sjcog.org/DocumentCenter/View/4156/Final-Compiled-RTPSCS-2018">https://www.sjcog.org/DocumentCenter/View/4156/Final-Compiled-RTPSCS-2018</a>

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supporting evidence, as noted throughout this comment letter and attachments, and the project's significant and unavoidable cumulatively considerable Air Quality and Transportation (VMT) impacts, the proposed project has signifiant potential for inconsistency with Policy 1 to enhance the environment for existing and future generations and conserve energy, Strategy 3 to improve air quality by reducing transportation-related emissions, Strategy 4 to improve regional transportation system efficiency, and Strategy 8 to improve major transportation corridors to minimize impacts on rural roads. The EIR must be revised to include accurate Air Quality/HRA, Energy, and GHG modeling and provide an analysis of potential inconsistency with the 2018 RTP/SCS document.

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Additionally, the EIR notes that the "City of Tracy prepared a Municipal Services Review (MSR) for the San Joaquin LAFCo in 2019. The MSR provides the required information for project annexation." However, the MSR is not included for public review. CEQA § 15150 (f) states that incorporation by reference is most appropriate for including long, descriptive, or technical materials that provide general background but do not contribute directly to the analysis of the problem at hand. The MSR contributes directly to the analysis of the problem at hand. Not including the MSR as an attachment for public review is in violation of CEQA § 15150 (f). The EIR must be revised and recirculated for public review including the MSR as an attachment. This is especially vital because the project's employment growth will exceed the MSR 10-Year horizon growth forecast as discussed below in the Population and Housing analysis. The EIR includes a footnote reference with a weblink to the MSR, but the weblink is not functional and a 404 error is returned when the link is entered into a web browser.

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Table 3.11-3: General Plan Consistency Analysis provides misleading consistency analysis with

Objective LU-8.1 Policy 3: The City shall support existing San Joaquin County agricultural land use designations in the Planning Area and strongly oppose changes that result in increased urbanization.

General Plan goals, policies and objectives adopted with the purpose of avoiding or mitigating an

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environmental effect, including the following:

Consistent: The project site would be annexed into the City of Tracy upon approval by LAFCo, and is designated in the City General Plan for industrial uses. Further, the County land use designation for the site of A/UR identifies and reserves this agricultural land for future urban development.

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The EIR's analysis is misleading as the project site's existing San Joaquin County agricultural land use designations are proposed to be changed to non-agricultural designations. Additionally, the project will result in significant and unavoidable cumulatively considerable impact to agricultural resources due to the conversion of Prime Farmland. This information must be included for analysis as part of a revised EIR.

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Goal AQ1 Improved air quality and reduced greenhouse gas emissions. *EIR Analysis* 

Consistent: The proposed project would be subject to various regulatory measures adopted to ensure ambient air quality standards are met to the extent feasible. The proposed project would not be a source of significant toxic or hazardous air pollutants and odors, and was not found to have a significant impact with respect to GHG. Refer to Section 3.3, Air Quality and Section 3.8,

The EIR's analysis is erroneous and misleading as the project will result in significant and unavoidable cumulatively considerable Air Quality impacts related to 1) Cumulatively Considerable Net Increase of reactive organic gases (ROG) and carbon monoxide (CO) During Construction and 2) Exposing Sensitive Receptors to Substantial Pollutant Concentrations. The EIR must be revised to include this information for analysis and include a finding of significance due to the inconsistency.

Additionally, the EIR excludes analysis of the following General Plan goals, policies and objectives adopted with the purpose of avoiding or mitigating an environmental effect, including the following:

- 1. Goal LU-9 Leadership in environmental, economic and social sustainability.
- 2. Objective LU-9.1 Undertake measures to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and improve the sustainability of actions by City government, residents and businesses in Tracy.
- 3. Objective AQ-1.1 Improve air quality and reduce greenhouse gas emissions through land use planning decisions.
- 4. AQ-1.1 P1. The City shall promote land use patterns that reduce the number and length of motor vehicle trips.
- 5. AQ-1.1 P2. To the extent feasible, the City shall maintain a balance and match between jobs and housing.
- 6. AQ-1.1 P4. Employment areas should include a mix of support services to minimize the number of trips.
- 7. Objective AQ-1.2 Promote development that minimizes air pollutant and greenhouse gas emissions and their impact on sensitive receptors as a result of indirect and stationary sources.
- 8. AQ-1.2 P2. The City shall assess through the CEQA process any air quality impacts of development projects that may be insignificant by themselves, but cumulatively significant.
- 9. AQ-1.2 P3. Developers shall implement best management practices to reduce air pollutant emissions associated with the construction and operation of development projects.
- 10. AQ-1.2 P6. Installation of solar voltaic panels on new homes and businesses shall be encouraged.
- 11. AQ-1.2 P12. New sources of toxic air pollutants shall prepare a Health Risk Assessment as required under the Air Toxics "Hot Spots" Act and, based on the results of the Assessment, establish appropriate land use buffer zones around those areas posing substantial health risks. AQ-1.2 P13. Dust control measures consistent with San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District rules shall be required as a condition of approval for subdivision maps, site plans, and all grading permits.

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- 12. AQ-1.2 P14. Developments that significantly impact air quality shall only be approved if all feasible mitigation measures to avoid, minimize or offset the impact are implemented.
- 13. AQ-1.2 P15. Encourage businesses to electrify loading docks or implement idling-reduction systems so that trucks transporting refrigerated goods can continue to power cab cooling elements during loading, layovers, and rest periods.
- 14. Objective AQ-1.4 Support local and regional air quality improvement efforts.

Due to errors in modeling and modeling without supporting evidence, as noted throughout this comment letter and attachments, and the project's significant and unavoidable cumulatively considerable Air Quality and Transportation (VMT) impacts, the proposed project is directly inconsistent with the goals, policies and objectives listed above adopted with the purpose of avoiding or mitigating an environmental effect. The EIR must be revised to include a consistency analysis with all General Plan goals, policies and objectives in order to provide an adequate and accurate environmental analysis.

Further, the NEI SP analysis does not analyze the Project Description's statement that the project requires an amendment to the boundaries of the NEI Specific Plan to incorporate the project site and any conforming amendments to the NEI Specific Plan to ensure consistency, which indicates that the project does not comply with the NEI SP. The EIR must be revised to detail the project's proposed development standards, the applicable standards within the NEI SP, and amendments proposed to the NEI SP in order to accommodate the proposed project.

# 4.0 Effects Found Not to be Significant

#### 4.2.2 Population and Housing

The EIR concludes that "based on the light industrial nature of the proposed project, it is expected that approximately 1,871 employees would work on-site at full buildout." Footnote 5 states that the quantity of employees was generated via "Conversation with Barbara Harb, Economic Development Analyst, City of Tracy-employment data collected by conversations with business owners for various industrial businesses, including warehousing, manufacturing, and employee-intensive warehousing, and existing building square footage data, averaged." The methodology for determining the number of employees generated by the proposed project is not adequate, accurate, or reliable. Further, none of the "conversations" are provided for public review as part of the EIR's methodology and does not comply with CEQA's requirements for incorporation by reference as the "conversations" that created the methodology contribute directly to analysis of the problem at hand (CEQA § 15150 (f)). Appendix J: Transportation utilizes a calculation of 1,000 square feet per employee to conclude that the project will generate 3,354 employees during project operations. All sections of the EIR must be revised to utilize this methodology for analysis in order for the EIR to be an internally consistent document.

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Table 2-7: Development Anticipated Within Years 1-10 and Within Years 11-30 of the City's 2019 Municipal Services Review<sup>2</sup> (MSR) states that Planning Subarea 16 (which encompasses the proposed project site) will generate 450 jobs during years 1-10 and 3,285 jobs during years 11-30. The 10-Year Horizon of the MSR spans from 2019 to 2029 and the 30-Year Horizon addresses 2029 to 2049. Table 3.3-6: Anticipated Construction Schedule within the EIR states that all phases of the project will be constructed by 2025. Appendix J's calculation of 3,354 employees generated by the proposed project demonstrates that the project vastly exceeds the employment growth anticipated and planned during the 10-Year Horizon. This information is not discussed or presented for analysis in the EIR and must be included as part of a revised and recirculated EIR for public review. A finding of significance must be made as the employment growth generated by the proposed project exceeds the growth capacity of the 2019 Municipal Services Review.

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The EIR states that "industrial uses on the project site were anticipated by the City in the General Plan, and thus, the City anticipated this number of employees needed for such a project." The EIR concludes "the proposed project would not result in a significant, unplanned change to the population of the City, and impacts would be less than significant." The EIR does not provide any meaningful evidence to support the conclusion that the project will have less than significant impacts. As stated above, the 3,354 employees generated by the proposed project exceeds the growth capacity of the 2019 Municipal Services Review. Therefore, the proposed project will result in a significant, unplanned change to the population of the City, and impacts will be significant and potentially cumulatively considerable. The EIR must be revised to include this information for discuss and analysis in addition to a finding of significance.

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The EIR must also provide a cumulative analysis discussion of projects approved since 2020 and projects "in the pipeline" to determine if the project will exceed SJCOG's employment growth forecast for the City. The revised EIR must also provide demographic and geographic information on the location of qualified workers to fill these positions in order to provide an accurate environmental analysis. The City's May 2022 Industrial and Commercial Pipeline Report<sup>3</sup> provides updated information on current industrial activity:

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#### Under construction

Total NEI: 1,859,000 sf Overall Total: 3,360,778 sf

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> City of Tracy 2019 Municipal Services Review <a href="https://www.sjgov.org/docs/default-source/local-agency-formation-commission-documents/municipal-services-and-spheres-of-influence/cities/tracy---july-2019.pdf?sfvrsn=aa988a63</a> 2

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> City of Tracy May 2022 Industrial and Commercial Pipeline Report <a href="https://www.cityoftracy.org/home/showpublisheddocument/13056/637882942906530000">https://www.cityoftracy.org/home/showpublisheddocument/13056/637882942906530000</a>

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Approved, Construction Not Started

Total NEI: 696,343 sf Overall Total: 702,343 sf

**Under Review** 

Total NEI: 1,574,180 sf Overall Total: 6,931,854 sf

Cumulative Total NEI: 4,129,523 sf Cumulative Overall Total: 10,994,975 sf

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Utilizing a calculation of 1,000 square feet per employee and the development information provided by the May 2022 report, industrial development in the current pipeline will generate approximately 10,995 employees and approximately 4,130 employees (37.5% of pipeline industrial employees) will be within the NEI Specific Plan. A revised EIR must be prepared to include analysis that demonstrates if the employees generated by the proposed project, current industrial development pipeline, and any industrial projects completed from the date of the City's General Plan adoption that are not listed on the May 2022 pipeline list will exceed the growth forecasts of the General Plan or NEI Specific Plan. This is vital as the Project Description states that the project requires an amendment to the boundaries of the NEI Specific Plan to incorporate the project site and any conforming amendments to the NEI Specific Plan to ensure consistency, which indicates that the project does not comply with the NEI SP.

SJCOG's Population, Household, and Employment Projections<sup>4</sup> notes that the City will add approximately 6,102 jobs between 2020 - 2045. Utilizing Appendix J's calculation of 3,354 employees, the project represents 54.9% of the City's employment growth from 2020 - 2045. SJCOG's Growth Forecast notes that the City's population will increase by 42,744 residents between 2020 - 2045. Utilizing Appendix J's calculation of 3,354 employees, the project represents 7.8% of the City's population growth from 2020 - 2045. A single project accounting for this amount of the projected employment and/or population over 29 years represents a significant amount of growth. Further, the May 2022 industrial development pipeline's 10,995 employees represents 180% of the City's employment growth and 25.7% of the City's population growth from 2020 - 2045. Cumulatively, the proposed project and the May 2022 industrial development pipeline will generate 14,349 employees, which represents 235% of the City's employment growth and 33.5% of the City's population growth from 2020 - 2045. The proposed

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> SJCOG's 2018 RTP/SCS Appendix R- Population, Household, and Employment Projections <a href="https://www.sjcog.org/DocumentCenter/View/3722/Final-2018-RTPSCS-Technical-Appendix-R---Population-Household-and-Employment-Projections?bidId="https://www.sjcog.org/DocumentCenter/View/3722/Final-2018-RTPSCS-Technical-Appendix-R---Population-Household-and-Employment-Projections?bidId="https://www.sjcog.org/DocumentCenter/View/3722/Final-2018-RTPSCS-Technical-Appendix-R---Population-Household-and-Employment-Projections?bidId="https://www.sjcog.org/DocumentCenter/View/3722/Final-2018-RTPSCS-Technical-Appendix-R---Population-Household-and-Employment-Projections?bidId="https://www.sjcog.org/DocumentCenter/View/3722/Final-2018-RTPSCS-Technical-Appendix-R---Population-Household-and-Employment-Projections?bidId="https://www.sjcog.org/DocumentCenter/View/3722/Final-2018-RTPSCS-Technical-Appendix-R---Population-Household-and-Employment-Projections?bidId="https://www.sjcog.org/Document-Projections">https://www.sjcog.org/Document-Projections?bidId="https://www.sjcog.org/Document-Projections?bidId="https://www.sjcog.org/Document-Projections">https://www.sjcog.org/Document-Projections?bidId="https://www.sjcog.org/Document-Projections">https://www.sjcog.org/Document-Projections?bidId="https://www.sjcog.org/Document-Projections">https://www.sjcog.org/Document-Projections</a>

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project in combination with the current industrial development pipeline vastly exceeds the City's projected employment growth and is a significant portion of its population growth. The EIR must be revised to include this analysis and also provide a cumulative analysis of projects approved since 2020 and projects "in the pipeline" to provide an adequate and accurate analysis to determine if the project will exceed SJCOG's employment and population growth forecasts for the City.

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Further, the EIR utilizes uncertain language in stating that "given the nature of the proposed project, it would likely be staffed primarily by local employees once operational," without providing local employment data such as the population's interest or qualifications to work in the industrial sector. A revised EIR must be prepared to provide demographic and geographic information on the location of qualified workers to fill these positions in order to provide an adequate and accurate environmental analysis.

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The EIR states that "the proposed project would help to support the City's jobs-to-housing ratio goal of 1.5, as established by the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD), by locating employment-generating uses in relatively close proximity thereby limiting extensive commute times. The City's current jobs-to-housing ratio is 1.3." The applicable footnotes state that "There were 34,710 jobs and 26,964 dwelling units within the City limits in 2018. This represents a jobs-housing ratio of approximately 1.3, which indicated that there are more jobs than homes in the City." The proposed project will add 3,354 employees to the City. This will increase the jobs to housing ratio by further exacerbating the oversupply of jobs. The EIR is nonsensical in its conclusion that adding more jobs will help support the City's jobs-to-housing ratio when the current ratio indicates an existing oversupply of jobs. A revised EIR must be prepared to provide this information for analysis.

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#### 3.14 Transportation

Appendix J: Transportation states that "Per OPR guidance, the VMT analysis excludes truck trips." However, the EIR does not provide a statutory source of exemption for medium/heavy trucks and/or freight. The EIR sources the OPR's 2018 Technical Advisory<sup>5</sup> which states that "here, the term "automobile" refers to on-road passenger vehicles, specifically cars and light trucks." However, the purpose of the OPR Technical Advisory document is purely advisory, stating in its introduction:

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"The purpose of this document is to provide advice and recommendations, which agencies and other entities may use at their discretion. This document does not alter lead agency discretion in

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Governor's Office of Planning and Research Technical Advisory on Evaluating Transportation Impacts in CEQA <a href="https://opr.ca.gov/ceqa/docs/20190122-743">https://opr.ca.gov/ceqa/docs/20190122-743</a> Technical Advisory.pdf

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preparing environmental documents subject to CEQA. This document should not be construed as legal advice."

The OPR document is not a legal interpretation, court decision, or amendment to the CEQA statute that clarifies the definition of automobile. The term "automobile" is not defined in the CEQA statute and application of the OPR interpretation is speculative and does not provide an analysis of the "worst-case scenario" for environmental impacts. Widespread public understanding and perception indicates that trucks, including medium/heavy-duty trucks and freight trips associated with the industrial nature of warehouse operations, are automobiles. The EIR must be revised to remove this misleading information and include all truck/freight activity for quantified VMT analysis. The operational nature of industrial/warehouse uses involves high rates of truck/trailer/freight VMT due to traveling from large regional distribution centers to smaller industrial parks and then to their final delivery destinations. The project's truck/trailer/freight activity is unable to utilize public transit or active transportation and it is misleading to the public and decision makers to exclude this activity from VMT analysis. A revised EIR must be prepared to reflect a quantified VMT analysis that includes all truck/trailer/freight activity to adequately and accurately analyze the potentially significant project transportation impacts.

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Additionally, the Project Description states that "approximately 12.51 acres of the Tracy Alliance land would be reserved to accommodate a portion of a planned interchange at Paradise Road and Interstate 205 (I-205). However, the potential impacts of constructing this future interchange would undergo a separate environmental review process pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) once funding is programmed and available and once the ultimate design of the interchange is finalized; accordingly, the construction is not considered part of the proposed project (although the interchange is assumed to be in place as part of the cumulative conditions within the Transportation Impact Analysis prepared by Kimley Horn)." The EIR must be revised to remove the assumption that the I-205 interchange at Paradise Road is completed. There is no meaningful evidence provided that the improvement will be completed by the date of the cumulative conditions analysis. This is an erroneous and misleading representation of transportation impacts and the EIR must be revised. Including the improvement acts as mitigation without providing meaningful evidence that mitigation will actually result and the lead agency has no bearing over the improvement as its under CalTrans jurisdiction.

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# 5.0 Other CEQA Considerations

#### 5.3 Growth Inducing Impacts of the Project

The EIR concludes that "the proposed project would not result in direct or indirect growth, negatively alter the existing jobs/housing balance, or be inconsistent with the General Plan, the

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NEI Specific Plan, or relevant City master infrastructure plans; therefore, growth-inducing impacts would be less than significant." However, as noted throughout this comment letter, the project will result in growth that exceeds the MSR 10-Year Horizon, negatively exacerbate the existing jobs/housing balance by adding to the oversupply of jobs, is inconsistent with the General Plan (including goals, policies, and objectives adopted for purposes of avoiding a negative environmental impacts), and the NEI Specific Plan (amendments required to accommodate the proposed project). The EIR must be revised to provide this information for analysis and include a finding of significance.

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The EIR states that "the proposed project would help to support the City's jobs-to-housing ratio goal of 1.5, as established by the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD), by locating employment-generating uses in relatively close proximity thereby limiting extensive commute times. The City's current jobs-to-housing ratio is 1.3." The applicable footnotes state that "There were 34,710 jobs and 26,964 dwelling units within the City limits in 2018. This represents a jobs-housing ratio of approximately 1.3, which indicated that there are more jobs than homes in the City." The proposed project will add 3,354 employees to the City. This will increase the jobs to housing ratio by further exacerbating the oversupply of jobs. The EIR is nonsensical in its conclusion that adding more jobs will help support the City's jobs-to-housing ratio when the current ratio indicates an existing oversupply of jobs. A revised EIR must be prepared to provide this information for analysis.

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The EIR must also include a cumulative analysis discussion here to demonstrate the impact of the proposed project in a cumulative setting. For example, the May 2022 industrial development pipeline's 10,995 employees represents 180% of the City's employment growth and 25.7% of the City's population growth from 2020 - 2045. Cumulatively, the proposed project and the May 2022 industrial development pipeline will generate 14,349 employees, which represents 235% of the City's employment growth and 33.5% of the City's population growth from 2020 - 2045. The proposed project in combination with the current industrial development pipeline vastly exceeds the City's projected employment growth and is a significant portion of its population growth. The EIR must also discuss and analyze that the project's employment growth exceeds the 10-Year Horizon of the MSR.

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Further, the EIR must be revised to discuss and analyze that implementation of the project will result in significant and unavoidable environmental impacts to Agriculture (cumulatively considerable), Air Quality (cumulatively considerable), and Transportation (VMT) (cumulatively considerable), with the project census tract and adjacent census tracts (all of which are designated as SB 535 Disadvantaged Communities) receiving the most significant impacts. Project implementation will result in growth that does not comply with the AQMP and will have additional

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environmental impacts that cannot be mitigated. These significant and irreversible environmental changes which caused by the project necessitate a finding of significance in this section.

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#### 6.0 Alternatives

The EIR is required to evaluate a reasonable range of alternatives to the proposed project which will avoid or substantially lessen any of the significant effects of the project (CEQA § 15126.6.) The alternatives chosen for analysis include the CEQA required "No Project" alternative and only two others (Existing General Plan Alternative and Reduced Project Alternative). The EIR does not evaluate a reasonable range of alternatives as only two alternatives beyond the required No Project alternative are analyzed. The EIR does not include an alternative that meets the project objectives and also eliminates all of the project's significant and unavoidable impacts. The EIR must be revised to include analysis of a reasonable range of alternatives and foster informed decision making (CEQA § 15126.6). This could include alternatives such as development of the site with a project that reduces all of the proposed project's significant and unavoidable impacts to less than significant levels.

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## Conclusion

For the foregoing reasons, GSEJA believes the EIR is flawed and a revised EIR must be prepared for the proposed project and circulated for public review. Golden State Environmental Justice Alliance requests to be added to the public interest list regarding any subsequent environmental documents, public notices, public hearings, and notices of determination for this project. Send all communications to Golden State Environmental Justice Alliance P.O. Box 79222 Corona, CA 92877.

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Attachments: 1.SWAPE Analysis



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Subject: Comments on the Tracy Alliance Project (SCH No. 2020080524)

Dear Mr. Ho,

We have reviewed the April 2022 Draft Environmental Impact Report ("DEIR") for the Tracy Alliance Project ("Project") located in the City of Tracy ("City"). The Project proposes to construct 3,352,320-square-feet ("SF") of warehouse and distribution space, consisting of 1,792,500-SF of warehouse space, 57,000-SF of office space, and 1,502,820-SF of light industrial space, as well as 1,706 parking spaces, on the 191.18-acre site.

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Our review concludes that the DEIR fails to adequately evaluate the Project's air quality, health risk, and greenhouse gas impacts. As a result, emissions and health risk impacts associated with construction and operation of the proposed Project are underestimated and inadequately addressed. An updated EIR should be prepared to adequately assess and mitigate the potential air quality, health risk, and greenhouse gas impacts that the project may have on the environment.

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# **Air Quality**

# Failure to Implement All Feasible Mitigation to Reduce Emissions

The DEIR concludes that the Project would result in a significant-and-unavoidable air quality impact. Specifically, the DEIR estimates that the Project's daily ROG emissions associated with Project construction exceed the applicable San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District ("SJVAPCD") threshold of 100 pounds per day ("lbs/day") (see excerpt below) (p. 3.3-36 – 3.3-37, Table 3.3-9).

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Table 3.3-9: Mitigated Daily Construction Emissions (Sequential and Concurrent Phasing)

	Emissions (Pounds)						
Year	ROG	NO <sub>x</sub>	со	SO <sub>x</sub>	PM <sub>10</sub>	PM <sub>2.5</sub>	
Mitigated Project Phase 1							
Construction Year 2022	12.25	71.81	99.34	0.67	24.06	8.22	
Construction Year 2023	87.87	59.11	72.80	0.56	17.60	5.45	
Maximum Phase 1 Daily Construction Emissions	87.87	71.81	99.34	0.67	24.06	8.22	
Valley Air District Daily Thresholds	100	100	100	100	100	100	
Do Construction Emissions Exceed Thresholds?	No	No	No	No	No	No	
Mitigated Project Phase 2							
Construction Year 2023	3.43	18.41	42.60	0.27	9.51	2.92	
Construction Year 2024	48.04	17.27	33.76	0.24	7.32	2.04	
Maximum Phase 1 Daily Construction Emissions	48.04	18.41	42.60	0.27	9.51	2.92	
Valley Air District Daily Thresholds	100	100	100	100	100	100	
Do Construction Emissions Exceed Thresholds?	No	No	No	No	No	No	
Mitigated Project Phase 3							
Construction Year 2024	1.13	8.20	13.98	0.11	2.49	0.90	
Construction Year 2025	22.43	8.09	13.53	0.11	2.49	0.71	
Maximum Daily Construction Emissions (Total for Sequenced Phases)	22.43	8.20	13.98	0.11	2,49	0.90	
Valley Air District Daily Thresholds	100	100	100	100	100	100	
Do Construction Emissions Exceed Thresholds?	No	No	No	No	No	No	
Mitigated Project Construction (All Phases)							
Concurrent Construction (Maximum for All Phases Combined)	158.34	98.42	155.92	1.05	36.06	12.04	
Valley Air District Daily Thresholds	100	100	100	100	100	100	
Do Construction Emissions Exceed Thresholds?	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	

Furthermore, the DEIR estimates that the Project's annual ROG and  $NO_X$  emissions associated with Project operation exceed the applicable SJVAPCD thresholds of 10 tons per year ("tons/year") (see excerpt below) (p. 3.3-39 – 3.3-40, Table 3.3-12).

Table 3.3-12: Unmitigated Annual Operational Emissions

	Emissions (Tons)						
<b>Emission Source</b>	ROG	NO <sub>x</sub>	со	SO <sub>x</sub>	PM <sub>10</sub>	PM <sub>2.5</sub>	
Existing Operations							
Existing Operations Total	0.15	0.12	0.22	<0.01	0.07	0.02	
Project Phase 1–Operational Year 2023							
Area	8.58	<0.01	0.03	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	
Energy	0.06	0.58	0.49	<0.01	0.04	0.04	
Mobile–Trucks	0.49	18.92	3.36	0.07	1.50	0.43	
Mobile–Autos	0.38	0.64	6.40	0.02	2.72	0.73	
Phase 1 Operations Total	9.52	20.14	10.28	0.10	4.27	1.21	
Phase 1 Operations Net Total (Subtracting Existing Emissions)	9.36	20.02	10.06	0.10	4.20	1.19	
Project Phase 2–Operational Year 2024							
Area	4.72	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	
Energy	0.03	0.31	0.26	0.00	0.02	0.02	
Mobile–Trucks	0.27	10.21	1.82	0.04	0.82	0.23	
Mobile-Autos	0.19	0.31	3.24	0.01	1.49	0.40	
Phase 2 Operations Total	5.21	10.83	5.32	0.05	2.34	0.66	
Project Phase 3–Operational Year 2025		•					
Area	2.21	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	
Energy	0.02	0.14	0.12	0.00	0.01	0.01	
Mobile–Trucks	0.12	4.70	0.84	0.02	0.39	0.11	
Mobile-Autos	0.08	0.13	1.41	0.01	0.70	0.19	
Phase 1 Operations Total	2.43	4.98	2.38	0.02	1.10	0.31	
Full Project-Operational Year 2025							
Full Project Buildout (All Phases)	17.01	35.83	17.77	0.18	7.63	2.16	
Valley Air District Annual Thresholds	10	10	100	27	15	15	
Do Operational Emissions Exceed Thresholds?	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	

Finally, the DEIR estimates that the Project's daily  $NO_X$  emissions associated with Project operation exceed the applicable SJVAPCD threshold of 100 lbs/day (see excerpt below) (p. 3.3-41 – 3.3-42, Table 3.3-14).

Table 3.3-14: Mitigated Daily Operational Emissions

	Emissions					
Metric	ROG	NO <sub>x</sub>	со	SO <sub>x</sub>	PM <sub>10</sub>	PM <sub>2.5</sub>
Total Tons Per Year	17.01	35.83	17.77	0.18	7.63	2.16
Total Pounds Per Year	34,020	71,660	35,533	357	15,261	4,312
Pounds Per Day	93.21	196.33	97.35	0.98	41.81	11.81
Valley Air District Daily Thresholds	100	100	100	100	100	100
Do Daily Emissions Exceed Thresholds?	No	Yes	No	No	No	No

As a result, the DEIR concludes that the Project's construction-related and operational criteria air pollutant emissions would be significant-and-unavoidable (p. 3.3-36-3.3-42). However, while we agree that the Project's criteria air pollutant emissions would result in a significant air quality impact, the DEIR's conclusion that these impacts are "significant and unavoidable" is incorrect. According to CEQA Guidelines § 15096(g)(2):

"When an EIR has been prepared for a project, the Responsible Agency shall not approve the project as proposed if the agency finds any feasible alternative or feasible mitigation measures within its powers that would substantially lessen or avoid any significant effect the project would have on the environment."

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As you can see, an impact can only be labeled as significant and unavoidable after all available, feasible mitigation is considered. Here, while the DEIR includes Mitigation Measures ("MM(s)") AIR-1a through AIR-1d, the DEIR fails to implement *all* feasible mitigation (p. ES-10 – ES-13). Therefore, the DEIR's conclusion that the Project's air quality impacts are significant-and-unavoidable is unsubstantiated. To reduce the Project's air quality impacts to the maximum extent possible, additional feasible mitigation measures should be incorporated, such as those suggested in the section of this letter titled "Feasible Mitigation Measures Available to Reduce Emissions." Thus, the Project should not be approved until an updated EIR is prepared, incorporating all feasible mitigation to reduce emissions to less-than-significant levels.

## Diesel Particulate Matter Health Risk Emissions Inadequately Evaluated

The DEIR concludes that the proposed Project would result in a significant-and-unavoidable health risk impact after the implementation of MM AIR-1d (p. 33-49). Specifically, the DEIR states:

"As shown above in Table 3.3-19, the proposed project's operational DPM emissions during Phase I would not exceed the Valley Air District's cancer risk or chronic non-cancer hazard index thresholds of significance at the maximum impacted receptor for any of the sensitive receptors analyzed. As displayed in Chapter 2, Project Description, Table 2-2, Proposed Development Summary, Phase I of the proposed project would involve the development of approximately 1,849,500 square feet out of a total approximately 3,352,320 square feet across all three project phases, representing approximately 46 percent of the total proposed building space. In addition, as displayed in Table 3.3-10, Phase 1 of the proposed project would generate an estimated 2,611 daily vehicle trips out of the total 4,715 daily trips across all three project phases, representing approximately 55 percent of the total proposed operational vehicle activity. Moreover, the potential emission reductions to DPM from the application of MM AIR-1d, which would require the operation of a clean truck fleet during operation of all phases of the proposed project, was not represented in the cancer risk values during Phase I operation in Table 3.3-19. Because of a lack in operational information for Phases 2 and 3 of the proposed project, such as freight product origin, local truck circulation, or other details necessary to preform a site-specific health risk assessment, Phase 1 of the proposed project was the only project phase modeled for health risk and chronic non-cancer hazard impacts. As Phase 1 represents approximately 55 percent of the potential operational trucking impact, although operation of Phase 1 (Tracy

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Alliance) would not result in a significant impact in this regard, operation at full buildout of the proposed project could have a potentially significant health impact on nearby sensitive receptors, particularly the residential MIRs.

The implementation of MM AIR-1d would contribute to the minimization of DPM emissions generated from trucking emissions; however, full implementation of MM AIR-1d cannot be guaranteed. As a result, this impact would be significant and unavoidable after the incorporation of mitigation" (p. 3.3-49).

However, while we agree that the Project would result in a significant health risk impact, the DEIR's conclusion that this impact is "significant and unavoidable" is incorrect. As previously discussed, according to CEQA Guidelines § 15096(g)(2):

"When an EIR has been prepared for a project, the Responsible Agency shall not approve the project as proposed if the agency finds any feasible alternative or feasible mitigation measures within its powers that would substantially lessen or avoid any significant effect the project would have on the environment."

As demonstrated above, an impact can only be labeled as significant-and-unavoidable after all available, feasible mitigation is considered. Here, while the DEIR implements MM AIR-1d, the DEIR fails to implement *all* feasible mitigation (p. ES-12 – ES-14). Thus, consistent with the Project's incorrect air quality analysis, the DEIR fails to comply with CEQA, and the significant-and-unavoidable impact conclusion should not be relied upon. To reduce the Project's health risk impact to the maximum extent possible, additional feasible mitigation measures should be incorporated, such as those suggested in the section of this letter titled "Feasible Mitigation Measures Available to Reduce Emissions." Thus, the Project should not be approved until an updated EIR is prepared, incorporating all feasible mitigation to reduce emissions to less-than-significant levels.

#### **Greenhouse Gas**

# Failure to Adequately Evaluate Greenhouse Gas Impacts

The DEIR concludes a less-than-significant greenhouse gas ("GHG") impact, stating:

"As shown in Tables 3.8-6 through 3.8-8, Phase 1 would achieve a reduction of 49.7 percent from BAU by the year 2023 with regulations and design features incorporated, Phase 2 would achieve a 48.7 percent reduction by 2024, and Phase 3 would achieve a 31.6 percent reduction by 2025. Each phase would achieve more than the 29 percent reduction required by the Valley Air District threshold, and also more than the 21.7 percent average reduction from all sources of GHG emissions now required to achieve AB 32 targets" (p. 3.8-42).

As demonstrated above, the DEIR estimates that the Project would achieve emissions reductions beyond the ARB 2020 21.7% target and the SJVAPCD 29% reduction from business-as-usual ("BAU") emissions requirements. Specifically, the DEIR accounts for reductions from the following regulations (see excerpt below) (p. 3.8-29 – 3.8-30, Table 3.8-5).

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Table 3.8-5: Summary of Applicable Greenhouse Gas Regulations

Regulation	Project Applicability
Pavley Low Emission Vehicle Standards	Nitrous oxide (laughing gas) is a colorless GHG. It has a lifetime of 114 years. Its global warming potential is 310.
Truck and Bus Regulation	Heavy-duty trucks accessing the site for deliveries and services are subject to the regulation.
Low Carbon Fuel Standard	Vehicles accessing the site would use fuel subject to the LCFS.
Title 24 Energy Efficiency Standards	Project buildings would be required to be constructed to meet the latest version of Title 24 (currently 2019). Reduction applies only to energy consumption subject to the regulation.
Green Building Code Standards	The project would be required to include water conservation features mandated by the standard.
Water Efficient Land Use Ordinance	The project landscaping would be required to comply with the regulation.
Renewable Portfolio Standard	Electricity purchased for use at the project site is subject to the 33 percent RPS mandate.
Solid waste	The solid waste service provider would be required to provide programs to increase diversion and recycling to meet the 75 percent mandate, to which the project would be required to adhere.

However, due to the sheer size of the proposed warehouse development, we recommend that the DEIR incorporate additional project design features ("PDFs") or formal mitigation measures to address the Project's expected GHG emissions. Furthermore, as it is policy of the State that eligible renewable energy resources and zero-carbon resources supply 100% of retail sales of electricity to California enduse customers by December 31, 2045, we emphasize the applicability of incorporating a solar power system into the Project design. Until the feasibility of incorporating on-site renewable energy production is considered to reduce the Project's GHG emissions, the DEIR should not be approved.

## Feasible Mitigation Measures Available to Reduce Emissions

The DEIR's analysis demonstrates that the Project would result in significant air quality and health risk impacts that should be mitigated further. Furthermore, our updated analysis indicates that the Project would result in a significant health risk impact. In an effort to reduce the Project's emissions, we identified several mitigation measures that are applicable to the proposed Project. Feasible mitigation measures can be found in the Department of Justice Warehouse Project Best Practices document. Therefore, to reduce the Project's emissions, consideration of the following measures should be made:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> "Warehouse Projects: Best Practices and Mitigation Measures to Comply with the California Environmental Quality Act." State of California Department of Justice.

- Prohibiting off-road diesel-powered equipment from being in the "on" position for more than 10 hours per day.
- Requiring on-road heavy-duty haul trucks to be model year 2010 or newer if diesel-fueled.
- Providing electrical hook ups to the power grid, rather than use of diesel-fueled generators, for electric construction tools, such as saws, drills and compressors, and using electric tools whenever feasible.
- Limiting the amount of daily grading disturbance area.
- Prohibiting grading on days with an Air Quality Index forecast of greater than 100 for particulates or ozone for the project area.
- Forbidding idling of heavy equipment for more than two minutes.
- Keeping onsite and furnishing to the lead agency or other regulators upon request, all
  equipment maintenance records and data sheets, including design specifications and emission
  control tier classifications.
- Conducting an on-site inspection to verify compliance with construction mitigation and to identify other opportunities to further reduce construction impacts.
- Providing information on transit and ridesharing programs and services to construction employees.
- Providing meal options onsite or shuttles between the facility and nearby meal destinations for construction employees.
- Requiring that all facility-owned and operated fleet equipment with a gross vehicle weight rating
  greater than 14,000 pounds accessing the site meet or exceed 2010 model-year emissions
  equivalent engine standards as currently defined in California Code of Regulations Title 13,
  Division 3, Chapter 1, Article 4.5, Section 2025. Facility operators shall maintain records on-site
  demonstrating compliance with this requirement and shall make records available for inspection
  by the local jurisdiction, air district, and state upon request.
- Requiring all heavy-duty vehicles entering or operated on the project site to be zero-emission beginning in 2030.
- Requiring on-site equipment, such as forklifts and yard trucks, to be electric with the necessary electrical charging stations provided.
- Requiring tenants to use zero-emission light- and medium-duty vehicles as part of business operations.
- Forbidding trucks from idling for more than two minutes and requiring operators to turn off engines when not in use.
- Posting both interior- and exterior-facing signs, including signs directed at all dock and delivery
  areas, identifying idling restrictions and contact information to report violations to CARB, the air
  district, and the building manager.
- Installing and maintaining, at the manufacturer's recommended maintenance intervals, air filtration systems at sensitive receptors within a certain radius of facility for the life of the project.
- Installing and maintaining, at the manufacturer's recommended maintenance intervals, an air monitoring station proximate to sensitive receptors and the facility for the life of the project,

and making the resulting data publicly available in real time. While air monitoring does not mitigate the air quality or greenhouse gas impacts of a facility, it nonetheless benefits the affected community by providing information that can be used to improve air quality or avoid exposure to unhealthy air.

- Constructing electric truck charging stations proportional to the number of dock doors at the project.
- Constructing electric plugs for electric transport refrigeration units at every dock door, if the warehouse use could include refrigeration.
- Constructing electric light-duty vehicle charging stations proportional to the number of parking spaces at the project.
- Installing solar photovoltaic systems on the project site of a specified electrical generation capacity, such as equal to the building's projected energy needs.
- Requiring all stand-by emergency generators to be powered by a non-diesel fuel.
- Requiring facility operators to train managers and employees on efficient scheduling and load management to eliminate unnecessary queuing and idling of trucks.
- Requiring operators to establish and promote a rideshare program that discourages singleoccupancy vehicle trips and provides financial incentives for alternate modes of transportation, including carpooling, public transit, and biking.
- Meeting CalGreen Tier 2 green building standards, including all provisions related to designated parking for clean air vehicles, electric vehicle charging, and bicycle parking.
- Achieving certification of compliance with LEED green building standards.
- Providing meal options onsite or shuttles between the facility and nearby meal destinations.
- Posting signs at every truck exit driveway providing directional information to the truck route.
- Improving and maintaining vegetation and tree canopy for residents in and around the project
- Requiring that every tenant train its staff in charge of keeping vehicle records in diesel
  technologies and compliance with CARB regulations, by attending CARB-approved courses. Also
  require facility operators to maintain records on-site demonstrating compliance and make
  records available for inspection by the local jurisdiction, air district, and state upon request.
- Requiring tenants to enroll in the United States Environmental Protection Agency's SmartWay program, and requiring tenants to use carriers that are SmartWay carriers.
- Providing tenants with information on incentive programs, such as the Carl Moyer Program and Voucher Incentive Program, to upgrade their fleets.

Furthermore, to reduce the Project's criteria air pollutant and GHG emissions, we recommend consideration of SCAG's 2020 RTP/SCS PEIR's Air Quality Project Level Mitigation Measures ("PMM-AQ-1") and Greenhouse Gas Project Level Mitigation Measures ("PMM-GHG-1"), as described below: <sup>2</sup>

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> "4.0 Mitigation Measures." Connect SoCal Program Environmental Impact Report Addendum #1, September 2020, available at: <a href="https://scag.ca.gov/sites/main/files/file-attachments/fpeir connectsocal addendum 4 mitigationmeasures.pdf?1606004420">https://scag.ca.gov/sites/main/files/file-attachments/fpeir connectsocal addendum 4 mitigationmeasures.pdf?1606004420</a>, p. 4.0-2 – 4.0-10; 4.0-19 –

## **SCAG RTP/SCS 2020-2045**

## Air Quality Project Level Mitigation Measures - PMM-AQ-1:

In accordance with provisions of sections 15091(a)(2) and 15126.4(a)(1)(B) of the *State CEQA Guidelines*, a Lead Agency for a project can and should consider mitigation measures to reduce substantial adverse effects related to violating air quality standards. Such measures may include the following or other comparable measures identified by the Lead Agency:

- a) Minimize land disturbance.
- b) Suspend grading and earth moving when wind gusts exceed 25 miles per hour unless the soil is wet enough to prevent dust plumes.
- c) Cover trucks when hauling dirt.
- d) Stabilize the surface of dirt piles if not removed immediately.
- e) Limit vehicular paths on unpaved surfaces and stabilize any temporary roads.
- f) Minimize unnecessary vehicular and machinery activities.
- g) Sweep paved streets at least once per day where there is evidence of dirt that has been carried on to the roadway.
- h) Revegetate disturbed land, including vehicular paths created during construction to avoid future off-road vehicular activities.
- k) Ensure that all construction equipment is properly tuned and maintained.
- I) Minimize idling time to 5 minutes—saves fuel and reduces emissions.
- m) Provide an operational water truck on-site at all times. Use watering trucks to minimize dust; watering should be sufficient to confine dust plumes to the project work areas. Sweep paved streets at least once per day where there is evidence of dirt that has been carried on to the roadway.
- n) Utilize existing power sources (e.g., power poles) or clean fuel generators rather than temporary power generators.
- o) Develop a traffic plan to minimize traffic flow interference from construction activities. The plan may include advance public notice of routing, use of public transportation, and satellite parking areas with a shuttle service. Schedule operations affecting traffic for off-peak hours. Minimize obstruction of through-traffic lanes. Provide a flag person to guide traffic properly and ensure safety at construction sites.
- p) As appropriate require that portable engines and portable engine-driven equipment units used at the project work site, with the exception of on-road and off-road motor vehicles, obtain CARB Portable Equipment Registration with the state or a local district permit. Arrange appropriate consultations with the CARB or the District to determine registration and permitting requirements prior to equipment operation at the site.
- q) Require projects within 500 feet of residences, hospitals, or schools to use Tier 4 equipment for all engines above 50 horsepower (hp) unless the individual project can demonstrate that Tier 4 engines would not be required to mitigate emissions below significance thresholds.
- s) Where applicable, projects should provide information about air quality related programs to schools, including the Environmental Justice Community Partnerships (EJCP), Clean Air Ranger Education (CARE), and Why Air Quality Matters programs.
- t) Projects should work with local cities and counties to install adequate signage that prohibits truck idling in certain locations (e.g., near schools and sensitive receptors).

- u) Projects that will introduce sensitive receptors within 500 feet of freeways and other sources should consider installing high efficiency of enhanced filtration units, such as Minimum Efficiency Reporting Value (MERV) 13 or better. Installation of enhanced filtration units can be verified during occupancy inspection prior to the issuance of an occupancy permit.
- v) Develop an ongoing monitoring, inspection, and maintenance program for the MERV filters.
- w) The following criteria related to diesel emissions shall be implemented on by individual project sponsors as appropriate and feasible:
  - Diesel nonroad vehicles on site for more than 10 total days shall have either (1) engines that meet EPA
    on road emissions standards or (2) emission control technology verified by EPA or CARB to reduce PM
    emissions by a minimum of 85%
  - Diesel generators on site for more than 10 total days shall be equipped with emission control technology verified by EPA or CARB to reduce PM emissions by a minimum of 85%.
  - Nonroad diesel engines on site shall be Tier 2 or higher.
  - Diesel nonroad construction equipment on site for more than 10 total days shall have either (1) engines meeting EPA Tier 4 nonroad emissions standards or (2) emission control technology verified by EPA or CARB for use with nonroad engines to reduce PM emissions by a minimum of 85% for engines for 50 hp and greater and by a minimum of 20% for engines less than 50 hp.
  - Emission control technology shall be operated, maintained, and serviced as recommended by the emission control technology manufacturer.
  - Diesel vehicles, construction equipment, and generators on site shall be fueled with ultra-low sulfur diesel fuel (ULSD) or a biodiesel blend approved by the original engine manufacturer with sulfur content of 15 ppm or less.
  - The construction contractor shall maintain a list of all diesel vehicles, construction equipment, and generators to be used on site. The list shall include the following:
    - i. Contractor and subcontractor name and address, plus contact person responsible for the vehicles or equipment.
    - ii. Equipment type, equipment manufacturer, equipment serial number, engine manufacturer, engine model year, engine certification (Tier rating), horsepower, engine serial number, and expected fuel usage and hours of operation.
    - iii. For the emission control technology installed: technology type, serial number, make, model, manufacturer, EPA/CARB verification number/level, and installation date and hour-meter reading on installation date.
  - The contractor shall establish generator sites and truck-staging zones for vehicles waiting to load or unload material on site. Such zones shall be located where diesel emissions have the least impact on abutters, the general public, and especially sensitive receptors such as hospitals, schools, daycare facilities, elderly housing, and convalescent facilities.
  - The contractor shall maintain a monthly report that, for each on road diesel vehicle, nonroad construction equipment, or generator onsite, includes:
    - i. Hour-meter readings on arrival on-site, the first and last day of every month, and on off-site date.
    - ii. Any problems with the equipment or emission controls.
    - iii. Certified copies of fuel deliveries for the time period that identify:
      - 1. Source of supply
      - 2. Quantity of fuel
      - 3. Quantity of fuel, including sulfur content (percent by weight)
- x) Project should exceed Title-24 Building Envelope Energy Efficiency Standards (California Building Standards Code). The following measures can be used to increase energy efficiency:
  - Provide pedestrian network improvements, such as interconnected street network, narrower roadways and shorter block lengths, sidewalks, accessibility to transit and transit shelters, traffic calming measures, parks and public spaces, minimize pedestrian barriers.
  - Provide traffic calming measures, such as:
    - Marked crosswalks

- ii. Count-down signal timers
- iii. Curb extensions iv. Speed tables
- iv. Raised crosswalks
- v. Raised intersections
- vi. Median islands
- vii. Tight corner radii
- viii. Roundabouts or mini-circles
- ix. On-street parking
- x. Chicanes/chokers
- Create urban non-motorized zones
- Provide bike parking in non-residential and multi-unit residential projects
- Dedicate land for bike trails
- Limit parking supply through:
  - i. Elimination (or reduction) of minimum parking requirements
  - ii. Creation of maximum parking requirements
  - iii. Provision of shared parking
- Require residential area parking permit.
- Provide ride-sharing programs
  - i. Designate a certain percentage of parking spacing for ride sharing vehicles
  - Designating adequate passenger loading and unloading and waiting areas for ride-sharing vehicles
  - iii. Providing a web site or messaging board for coordinating rides
  - iv. Permanent transportation management association membership and finding requirement.

## Greenhouse Gas Project Level Mitigation Measures - PMM-GHG-1

In accordance with provisions of sections 15091(a)(2) and 15126.4(a)(1)(B) of the *State CEQA Guidelines*, a Lead Agency for a project can and should consider mitigation measures to reduce substantial adverse effects related to violating air quality standards. Such measures may include the following or other comparable measures identified by the Lead Agency:

- b) Reduce emissions resulting from projects through implementation of project features, project design, or other measures, such as those described in Appendix F of the State CEQA Guidelines.
- c) Include off-site measures to mitigate a project's emissions.
- d) Measures that consider incorporation of Best Available Control Technology (BACT) during design, construction and operation of projects to minimize GHG emissions, including but not limited to:
  - i. Use energy and fuel-efficient vehicles and equipment;
  - ii. Deployment of zero- and/or near zero emission technologies;
  - iii. Use lighting systems that are energy efficient, such as LED technology;
  - iv. Use the minimum feasible amount of GHG-emitting construction materials;
  - v. Use cement blended with the maximum feasible amount of flash or other materials that reduce GHG emissions from cement production;
  - vi. Incorporate design measures to reduce GHG emissions from solid waste management through encouraging solid waste recycling and reuse;
  - vii. Incorporate design measures to reduce energy consumption and increase use of renewable energy;
  - viii. Incorporate design measures to reduce water consumption;
  - ix. Use lighter-colored pavement where feasible;
  - x. Recycle construction debris to maximum extent feasible;
  - xi. Plant shade trees in or near construction projects where feasible; and

- xii. Solicit bids that include concepts listed above.
- e) Measures that encourage transit use, carpooling, bike-share and car-share programs, active transportation, and parking strategies, including, but not limited to the following:
  - i. Promote transit-active transportation coordinated strategies;
  - ii. Increase bicycle carrying capacity on transit and rail vehicles;
  - iii. Improve or increase access to transit:
  - iv. Increase access to common goods and services, such as groceries, schools, and day care;
  - v. Incorporate affordable housing into the project;
  - vi. Incorporate the neighborhood electric vehicle network;
  - vii. Orient the project toward transit, bicycle and pedestrian facilities;
  - viii. Improve pedestrian or bicycle networks, or transit service;
  - ix. Provide traffic calming measures;
  - x. Provide bicycle parking;
  - xi. Limit or eliminate park supply;
  - xii. Unbundle parking costs;
  - xiii. Provide parking cash-out programs;
  - xiv. Implement or provide access to commute reduction program;
- f) Incorporate bicycle and pedestrian facilities into project designs, maintaining these facilities, and providing amenities incentivizing their use; and planning for and building local bicycle projects that connect with the regional network;
- g) Improving transit access to rail and bus routes by incentives for construction and transit facilities within developments, and/or providing dedicated shuttle service to transit stations; and
- h) Adopting employer trip reduction measures to reduce employee trips such as vanpool and carpool programs, providing end-of-trip facilities, and telecommuting programs including but not limited to measures that:
  - i. Provide car-sharing, bike sharing, and ride-sharing programs;
  - ii. Provide transit passes;
  - iii. Shift single occupancy vehicle trips to carpooling or vanpooling, for example providing ridematching services;
  - iv. Provide incentives or subsidies that increase that use of modes other than single-occupancy vehicle:
  - v. Provide on-site amenities at places of work, such as priority parking for carpools and vanpools, secure bike parking, and showers and locker rooms;
  - vi. Provide employee transportation coordinators at employment sites;
  - vii. Provide a guaranteed ride home service to users of non-auto modes.
- i) Designate a percentage of parking spaces for ride-sharing vehicles or high-occupancy vehicles, and provide adequate passenger loading and unloading for those vehicles;
- j) Land use siting and design measures that reduce GHG emissions, including:
  - i. Developing on infill and brownfields sites;
  - ii. Building compact and mixed-use developments near transit;
  - iii. Retaining on-site mature trees and vegetation, and planting new canopy trees;
  - iv. Measures that increase vehicle efficiency, encourage use of zero and low emissions vehicles, or reduce the carbon content of fuels, including constructing or encouraging construction of electric vehicle charging stations or neighborhood electric vehicle networks, or charging for electric bicycles; and
  - v. Measures to reduce GHG emissions from solid waste management through encouraging solid waste recycling and reuse.

I) Require at least five percent of all vehicle parking spaces include electric vehicle charging stations, or at a minimum, require the appropriate infrastructure to facilitate sufficient electric charging for passenger vehicles and trucks to plug-in.

- m) Encourage telecommuting and alternative work schedules, such as:
  - i. Staggered starting times
  - ii. Flexible schedules
  - iii. Compressed work weeks
- n) Implement commute trip reduction marketing, such as:
  - i. New employee orientation of trip reduction and alternative mode options
  - ii. Event promotions
  - iii. Publications
- o) Implement preferential parking permit program
- q) Price workplace parking, such as:
  - i. Explicitly charging for parking for its employees;
  - ii. Implementing above market rate pricing;
  - iii. Validating parking only for invited guests;
  - iv. Not providing employee parking and transportation allowances; and
  - v. Educating employees about available alternatives.

These measures offer a cost-effective, feasible way to incorporate lower-emitting design features into the proposed Project, which subsequently, reduce emissions released during Project construction and operation. An updated EIR should be prepared to include all feasible mitigation measures, as well as include updated air quality, health risk, and GHG analyses to ensure that the necessary mitigation measures are implemented to reduce emissions to below thresholds. The updated EIR should also demonstrate a commitment to the implementation of these measures prior to Project approval, to ensure that the Project's significant emissions are reduced to the maximum extent possible.

## Disclaimer

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#### **Education:**

M.S. Degree, Geology, California State University Los Angeles, Los Angeles, CA, 1984. B.A. Degree, Geology, Humboldt State University, Arcata, CA, 1982.

#### **Professional Certifications:**

California Professional Geologist
California Certified Hydrogeologist
Qualified SWPPP Developer and Practitioner

## **Professional Experience:**

Matt has 30 years of experience in environmental policy, contaminant assessment and remediation, stormwater compliance, and CEQA review. He spent nine years with the U.S. EPA in the RCRA and Superfund programs and served as EPA's Senior Science Policy Advisor in the Western Regional Office where he identified emerging threats to groundwater from perchlorate and MTBE. While with EPA, Matt also served as a Senior Hydrogeologist in the oversight of the assessment of seven major military facilities undergoing base closure. He led numerous enforcement actions under provisions of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) and directed efforts to improve hydrogeologic characterization and water quality monitoring. For the past 15 years, as a founding partner with SWAPE, Matt has developed extensive client relationships and has managed complex projects that include consultation as an expert witness and a regulatory specialist, and a manager of projects ranging from industrial stormwater compliance to CEQA review of impacts from hazardous waste, air quality and greenhouse gas emissions.

#### Positions Matt has held include:

- Founding Partner, Soil/Water/Air Protection Enterprise (SWAPE) (2003 present);
- Geology Instructor, Golden West College, 2010 2104, 2017;
- Senior Environmental Analyst, Komex H2O Science, Inc. (2000 -- 2003);

- Executive Director, Orange Coast Watch (2001 2004);
- Senior Science Policy Advisor and Hydrogeologist, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (1989– 1998);
- Hydrogeologist, National Park Service, Water Resources Division (1998 2000);
- Adjunct Faculty Member, San Francisco State University, Department of Geosciences (1993 1998);
- Instructor, College of Marin, Department of Science (1990 1995);
- Geologist, U.S. Forest Service (1986 1998); and
- Geologist, Dames & Moore (1984 1986).

#### **Senior Regulatory and Litigation Support Analyst:**

With SWAPE, Matt's responsibilities have included:

- Lead analyst and testifying expert in the review of over 300 environmental impact reports
  and negative declarations since 2003 under CEQA that identify significant issues with regard
  to hazardous waste, water resources, water quality, air quality, greenhouse gas emissions,
  and geologic hazards. Make recommendations for additional mitigation measures to lead
  agencies at the local and county level to include additional characterization of health risks
  and implementation of protective measures to reduce worker exposure to hazards from
  toxins and Valley Fever.
- Stormwater analysis, sampling and best management practice evaluation at more than 100 industrial facilities.
- Expert witness on numerous cases including, for example, perfluorooctanoic acid (PFOA)
  contamination of groundwater, MTBE litigation, air toxins at hazards at a school, CERCLA
  compliance in assessment and remediation, and industrial stormwater contamination.
- Technical assistance and litigation support for vapor intrusion concerns.
- Lead analyst and testifying expert in the review of environmental issues in license applications for large solar power plants before the California Energy Commission.
- Manager of a project to evaluate numerous formerly used military sites in the western U.S.
- Manager of a comprehensive evaluation of potential sources of perchlorate contamination in Southern California drinking water wells.
- Manager and designated expert for litigation support under provisions of Proposition 65 in the review of releases of gasoline to sources drinking water at major refineries and hundreds of gas stations throughout California.

#### With Komex H2O Science Inc., Matt's duties included the following:

- Senior author of a report on the extent of perchlorate contamination that was used in testimony by the former U.S. EPA Administrator and General Counsel.
- Senior researcher in the development of a comprehensive, electronically interactive chronology of MTBE use, research, and regulation.
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- Senior researcher in a study that estimates nationwide costs for MTBE remediation and drinking
  water treatment, results of which were published in newspapers nationwide and in testimony
  against provisions of an energy bill that would limit liability for oil companies.
- Research to support litigation to restore drinking water supplies that have been contaminated by MTBE in California and New York.

- Expert witness testimony in a case of oil production-related contamination in Mississippi.
- Lead author for a multi-volume remedial investigation report for an operating school in Los Angeles that met strict regulatory requirements and rigorous deadlines.
- Development of strategic approaches for cleanup of contaminated sites in consultation with clients and regulators.

#### **Executive Director:**

As Executive Director with Orange Coast Watch, Matt led efforts to restore water quality at Orange County beaches from multiple sources of contamination including urban runoff and the discharge of wastewater. In reporting to a Board of Directors that included representatives from leading Orange County universities and businesses, Matt prepared issue papers in the areas of treatment and disinfection of wastewater and control of the discharge of grease to sewer systems. Matt actively participated in the development of countywide water quality permits for the control of urban runoff and permits for the discharge of wastewater. Matt worked with other nonprofits to protect and restore water quality, including Surfrider, Natural Resources Defense Council and Orange County CoastKeeper as well as with business institutions including the Orange County Business Council.

## **Hydrogeology:**

As a Senior Hydrogeologist with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Matt led investigations to characterize and cleanup closing military bases, including Mare Island Naval Shipyard, Hunters Point Naval Shipyard, Treasure Island Naval Station, Alameda Naval Station, Moffett Field, Mather Army Airfield, and Sacramento Army Depot. Specific activities were as follows:

- Led efforts to model groundwater flow and contaminant transport, ensured adequacy of monitoring networks, and assessed cleanup alternatives for contaminated sediment, soil, and groundwater.
- Initiated a regional program for evaluation of groundwater sampling practices and laboratory analysis at military bases.
- Identified emerging issues, wrote technical guidance, and assisted in policy and regulation development through work on four national U.S. EPA workgroups, including the Superfund Groundwater Technical Forum and the Federal Facilities Forum.

At the request of the State of Hawaii, Matt developed a methodology to determine the vulnerability of groundwater to contamination on the islands of Maui and Oahu. He used analytical models and a GIS to show zones of vulnerability, and the results were adopted and published by the State of Hawaii and County of Maui.

As a hydrogeologist with the EPA Groundwater Protection Section, Matt worked with provisions of the Safe Drinking Water Act and NEPA to prevent drinking water contamination. Specific activities included the following:

- Received an EPA Bronze Medal for his contribution to the development of national guidance for the protection of drinking water.
- Managed the Sole Source Aquifer Program and protected the drinking water of two communities through designation under the Safe Drinking Water Act. He prepared geologic reports, conducted

- public hearings, and responded to public comments from residents who were very concerned about the impact of designation.
- Reviewed a number of Environmental Impact Statements for planned major developments, including large hazardous and solid waste disposal facilities, mine reclamation, and water transfer.

Matt served as a hydrogeologist with the RCRA Hazardous Waste program. Duties were as follows:

- Supervised the hydrogeologic investigation of hazardous waste sites to determine compliance with Subtitle C requirements.
- Reviewed and wrote "part B" permits for the disposal of hazardous waste.
- Conducted RCRA Corrective Action investigations of waste sites and led inspections that formed
  the basis for significant enforcement actions that were developed in close coordination with U.S.
  EPA legal counsel.
- Wrote contract specifications and supervised contractor's investigations of waste sites.

With the National Park Service, Matt directed service-wide investigations of contaminant sources to prevent degradation of water quality, including the following tasks:

- Applied pertinent laws and regulations including CERCLA, RCRA, NEPA, NRDA, and the Clean Water Act to control military, mining, and landfill contaminants.
- Conducted watershed-scale investigations of contaminants at parks, including Yellowstone and Olympic National Park.
- Identified high-levels of perchlorate in soil adjacent to a national park in New Mexico and advised park superintendent on appropriate response actions under CERCLA.
- Served as a Park Service representative on the Interagency Perchlorate Steering Committee, a national workgroup.
- Developed a program to conduct environmental compliance audits of all National Parks while serving on a national workgroup.
- Co-authored two papers on the potential for water contamination from the operation of personal
  watercraft and snowmobiles, these papers serving as the basis for the development of nationwide policy on the use of these vehicles in National Parks.
- Contributed to the Federal Multi-Agency Source Water Agreement under the Clean Water Action Plan.

## **Policy:**

Served senior management as the Senior Science Policy Advisor with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 9.

Activities included the following:

- Advised the Regional Administrator and senior management on emerging issues such as the
  potential for the gasoline additive MTBE and ammonium perchlorate to contaminate drinking
  water supplies.
- Shaped EPA's national response to these threats by serving on workgroups and by contributing
  to guidance, including the Office of Research and Development publication, Oxygenates in
  Water: Critical Information and Research Needs.
- Improved the technical training of EPA's scientific and engineering staff.
- Earned an EPA Bronze Medal for representing the region's 300 scientists and engineers in negotiations with the Administrator and senior management to better integrate scientific

- principles into the policy-making process.
- Established national protocol for the peer review of scientific documents.

## Geology:

With the U.S. Forest Service, Matt led investigations to determine hillslope stability of areas proposed for timber harvest in the central Oregon Coast Range. Specific activities were as follows:

- Mapped geology in the field, and used aerial photographic interpretation and mathematical models to determine slope stability.
- Coordinated his research with community members who were concerned with natural resource protection.
- Characterized the geology of an aquifer that serves as the sole source of drinking water for the city of Medford, Oregon.

As a consultant with Dames and Moore, Matt led geologic investigations of two contaminated sites (later listed on the Superfund NPL) in the Portland, Oregon, area and a large hazardous waste site in eastern Oregon. Duties included the following:

- Supervised year-long effort for soil and groundwater sampling.
- Conducted aguifer tests.
- Investigated active faults beneath sites proposed for hazardous waste disposal.

## **Teaching:**

From 1990 to 1998, Matt taught at least one course per semester at the community college and university levels:

- At San Francisco State University, held an adjunct faculty position and taught courses in environmental geology, oceanography (lab and lecture), hydrogeology, and groundwater contamination.
- Served as a committee member for graduate and undergraduate students.
- Taught courses in environmental geology and oceanography at the College of Marin.

Matt is currently a part time geology instructor at Golden West College in Huntington Beach, California where he taught from 2010 to 2014 and in 2017.

## **Invited Testimony, Reports, Papers and Presentations:**

**Hagemann, M.F.**, 2008. Disclosure of Hazardous Waste Issues under CEQA. Presentation to the Public Environmental Law Conference, Eugene, Oregon.

**Hagemann**, **M.F.**, 2008. Disclosure of Hazardous Waste Issues under CEQA. Invited presentation to U.S. EPA Region 9, San Francisco, California.

**Hagemann, M.F.,** 2005. Use of Electronic Databases in Environmental Regulation, Policy Making and Public Participation. Brownfields 2005, Denver, Coloradao.

**Hagemann, M.F.,** 2004. Perchlorate Contamination of the Colorado River and Impacts to Drinking Water in Nevada and the Southwestern U.S. Presentation to a meeting of the American Groundwater Trust, Las Vegas, NV (served on conference organizing committee).

**Hagemann, M.F.**, 2004. Invited testimony to a California Senate committee hearing on air toxins at schools in Southern California, Los Angeles.

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**Hagemann, M.F.,** 2004. Perchlorate Contamination of the Colorado River and Impacts to Drinking Water in Arizona and the Southwestern U.S. Presentation to a meeting of the American Groundwater Trust, Phoenix, AZ (served on conference organizing committee).

**Hagemann**, M.F., 2003. Perchlorate Contamination of the Colorado River and Impacts to Drinking Water in the Southwestern U.S. Invited presentation to a special committee meeting of the National Academy of Sciences, Irvine, CA.

**Hagemann, M.F.**, 2003. Perchlorate Contamination of the Colorado River. Invited presentation to a tribal EPA meeting, Pechanga, CA.

**Hagemann, M.F.**, 2003. Perchlorate Contamination of the Colorado River. Invited presentation to a meeting of tribal repesentatives, Parker, AZ.

**Hagemann, M.F.**, 2003. Impact of Perchlorate on the Colorado River and Associated Drinking Water Supplies. Invited presentation to the Inter-Tribal Meeting, Torres Martinez Tribe.

**Hagemann, M.F.**, 2003. The Emergence of Perchlorate as a Widespread Drinking Water Contaminant. Invited presentation to the U.S. EPA Region 9.

**Hagemann, M.F.**, 2003. A Deductive Approach to the Assessment of Perchlorate Contamination. Invited presentation to the California Assembly Natural Resources Committee.

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**Hagemann, M.F.**, and Gill, M., 1996, Impediments to Intrinsic Remediation, Moffett Field Naval Air Station, Conference on Intrinsic Remediation of Chlorinated Hydrocarbons, Salt Lake City.

**Hagemann, M.F.**, Fukunaga, G.L., 1996, The Vulnerability of Groundwater to Anthropogenic Contaminants on the Island of Maui, Hawaii Water Works Association Annual Meeting, Maui, October 1996.

Hagemann, M. F., Fukanaga, G. L., 1996, Ranking Groundwater Vulnerability in Central Oahu, Hawaii. Proceedings, Geographic Information Systems in Environmental Resources Management, Air and Waste Management Association Publication VIP-61.

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**Hagemann, M.**F. and Sabol, M.A., 1993. Role of the U.S. EPA in the High Plains States Groundwater Recharge Demonstration Program. Proceedings, Sixth Biennial Symposium on the Artificial Recharge of Groundwater.

**Hagemann, M.F.**, 1993. U.S. EPA Policy on the Technical Impracticability of the Cleanup of DNAPL-contaminated Groundwater. California Groundwater Resources Association Meeting.

**Hagemann, M.F.**, 1992. Dense Nonaqueous Phase Liquid Contamination of Groundwater: An Ounce of Prevention... Proceedings, Association of Engineering Geologists Annual Meeting, v. 35.

# Other Experience:

Selected as subject matter expert for the California Professional Geologist licensing examinations, 2009-2011.



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Risk Assessment & Remediation Specialist

# **Education**

Ph.D. Soil Chemistry, University of Washington, 1999. Dissertation on volatile organic compound filtration.

M.S. Environmental Science, U.C. Berkeley, 1995. Thesis on organic waste economics.

B.A. Environmental Studies, U.C. Santa Barbara, 1991. Thesis on wastewater treatment.

## **Professional Experience**

Dr. Rosenfeld has over 25 years' experience conducting environmental investigations and risk assessments for evaluating impacts to human health, property, and ecological receptors. His expertise focuses on the fate and transport of environmental contaminants, human health risk, exposure assessment, and ecological restoration. Dr. Rosenfeld has evaluated and modeled emissions from oil spills, landfills, boilers and incinerators, process stacks, storage tanks, confined animal feeding operations, industrial, military and agricultural sources, unconventional oil drilling operations, and locomotive and construction engines. His project experience ranges from monitoring and modeling of pollution sources to evaluating impacts of pollution on workers at industrial facilities and residents in surrounding communities. Dr. Rosenfeld has also successfully modeled exposure to contaminants distributed by water systems and via vapor intrusion.

Dr. Rosenfeld has investigated and designed remediation programs and risk assessments for contaminated sites containing lead, heavy metals, mold, bacteria, particulate matter, petroleum hydrocarbons, chlorinated solvents, pesticides, radioactive waste, dioxins and furans, semi- and volatile organic compounds, PCBs, PAHs, creosote, perchlorate, asbestos, per- and poly-fluoroalkyl substances (PFOA/PFOS), unusual polymers, fuel oxygenates (MTBE), among other pollutants. Dr. Rosenfeld also has experience evaluating greenhouse gas emissions from various projects and is an expert on the assessment of odors from industrial and agricultural sites, as well as the evaluation of odor nuisance impacts and technologies for abatement of odorous emissions. As a principal scientist at SWAPE, Dr. Rosenfeld directs air dispersion modeling and exposure assessments. He has served as an expert witness and testified about pollution sources causing nuisance and/or personal injury at sites and has testified as an expert witness on numerous cases involving exposure to soil, water and air contaminants from industrial, railroad, agricultural, and military sources.

# **Professional History:**

Soil Water Air Protection Enterprise (SWAPE); 2003 to present; Principal and Founding Partner

UCLA School of Public Health; 2007 to 2011; Lecturer (Assistant Researcher)

UCLA School of Public Health; 2003 to 2006; Adjunct Professor

UCLA Environmental Science and Engineering Program; 2002-2004; Doctoral Intern Coordinator

UCLA Institute of the Environment, 2001-2002; Research Associate

Komex H<sub>2</sub>O Science, 2001 to 2003; Senior Remediation Scientist

National Groundwater Association, 2002-2004; Lecturer

San Diego State University, 1999-2001; Adjunct Professor

Anteon Corp., San Diego, 2000-2001; Remediation Project Manager

Ogden (now Amec), San Diego, 2000-2000; Remediation Project Manager

Bechtel, San Diego, California, 1999 – 2000; Risk Assessor

King County, Seattle, 1996 – 1999; Scientist

James River Corp., Washington, 1995-96; Scientist

Big Creek Lumber, Davenport, California, 1995; Scientist

Plumas Corp., California and USFS, Tahoe 1993-1995; Scientist

Peace Corps and World Wildlife Fund, St. Kitts, West Indies, 1991-1993; Scientist

## **Publications:**

Remy, L.L., Clay T., Byers, V., Rosenfeld P. E. (2019) Hospital, Health, and Community Burden After Oil Refinery Fires, Richmond, California 2007 and 2012. *Environmental Health*. 18:48

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**Rosenfeld, P.E.,** and Suffet, I.H. (2004). Understanding Odorants Associated With Compost, Biomass Facilities, and the Land Application of Biosolids. *Water Science and Technology*. 49(9), 193-199.

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- Chollack, T. and **P. Rosenfeld.** (1998). Compost Amendment Handbook For Landscaping. Prepared for and distributed by the City of Redmond, Washington State.
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- **Rosenfeld, P. E.** (1993). High School Biogas Project to Prevent Deforestation On St. Kitts. *Biomass Users Network*, 7(1).
- **Rosenfeld, P. E.** (1998). Characterization, Quantification, and Control of Odor Emissions From Biosolids Application To Forest Soil. Doctoral Thesis. University of Washington College of Forest Resources.
- Rosenfeld, P. E. (1994). Potential Utilization of Small Diameter Trees on Sierra County Public Land. Masters thesis reprinted by the Sierra County Economic Council. Sierra County, California.
- **Rosenfeld, P. E.** (1991). How to Build a Small Rural Anaerobic Digester & Uses Of Biogas In The First And Third World. Bachelors Thesis. University of California.

## **Presentations:**

- **Rosenfeld, P.E.**, "The science for Perfluorinated Chemicals (PFAS): What makes remediation so hard?" Law Seminars International, (May 9-10, 2018) 800 Fifth Avenue, Suite 101 Seattle, WA.
- **Rosenfeld, P.E.,** Sutherland, A; Hesse, R.; Zapata, A. (October 3-6, 2013). Air dispersion modeling of volatile organic emissions from multiple natural gas wells in Decatur, TX. 44th Western Regional Meeting, American Chemical Society. Lecture conducted from Santa Clara, CA.
- Sok, H.L.; Waller, C.C.; Feng, L.; Gonzalez, J.; Sutherland, A.J.; Wisdom-Stack, T.; Sahai, R.K.; Hesse, R.C.; **Rosenfeld, P.E.** (June 20-23, 2010). Atrazine: A Persistent Pesticide in Urban Drinking Water. *Urban Environmental Pollution*. Lecture conducted from Boston, MA.
- Feng, L.; Gonzalez, J.; Sok, H.L.; Sutherland, A.J.; Waller, C.C.; Wisdom-Stack, T.; Sahai, R.K.; La, M.; Hesse, R.C.; **Rosenfeld, P.E.** (June 20-23, 2010). Bringing Environmental Justice to East St. Louis, Illinois. *Urban Environmental Pollution*. Lecture conducted from Boston, MA.
- **Rosenfeld, P.E.** (April 19-23, 2009). Perfluoroctanoic Acid (PFOA) and Perfluoroactane Sulfonate (PFOS) Contamination in Drinking Water From the Use of Aqueous Film Forming Foams (AFFF) at Airports in the United States. 2009 Ground Water Summit and 2009 Ground Water Protection Council Spring Meeting, Lecture conducted from Tuscon, AZ.
- **Rosenfeld, P.E.** (April 19-23, 2009). Cost to Filter Atrazine Contamination from Drinking Water in the United States" Contamination in Drinking Water From the Use of Aqueous Film Forming Foams (AFFF) at Airports in the United States. 2009 Ground Water Summit and 2009 Ground Water Protection Council Spring Meeting. Lecture conducted from Tuscon, AZ.
- Wu, C., Tam, L., Clark, J., Rosenfeld, P. (20-22 July, 2009). Dioxin and furan blood lipid concentrations in populations living near four wood treatment facilities in the United States. Brebbia, C.A. and Popov, V., eds., *Air Pollution XVII: Proceedings of the Seventeenth International Conference on Modeling, Monitoring and Management of Air Pollution*. Lecture conducted from Tallinn, Estonia.
- **Rosenfeld, P. E.** (October 15-18, 2007). Moss Point Community Exposure To Contaminants From A Releasing Facility. *The 23<sup>rd</sup> Annual International Conferences on Soils Sediment and Water*. Platform lecture conducted from University of Massachusetts, Amherst MA.
- Rosenfeld, P. E. (October 15-18, 2007). The Repeated Trespass of Tritium-Contaminated Water Into A Surrounding Community Form Repeated Waste Spills From A Nuclear Power Plant. *The 23<sup>rd</sup> Annual International*

Conferences on Soils Sediment and Water. Platform lecture conducted from University of Massachusetts, Amherst MA.

**Rosenfeld, P. E.** (October 15-18, 2007). Somerville Community Exposure To Contaminants From Wood Treatment Facility Emissions. The 23<sup>rd</sup> Annual International Conferences on Soils Sediment and Water. Lecture conducted from University of Massachusetts, Amherst MA.

**Rosenfeld P. E.** (March 2007). Production, Chemical Properties, Toxicology, & Treatment Case Studies of 1,2,3-Trichloropropane (TCP). *The Association for Environmental Health and Sciences (AEHS) Annual Meeting*. Lecture conducted from San Diego, CA.

**Rosenfeld P. E.** (March 2007). Blood and Attic Sampling for Dioxin/Furan, PAH, and Metal Exposure in Florala, Alabama. *The AEHS Annual Meeting*. Lecture conducted from San Diego, CA.

Hensley A.R., Scott, A., Rosenfeld P.E., Clark, J.J.J. (August 21 – 25, 2006). Dioxin Containing Attic Dust And Human Blood Samples Collected Near A Former Wood Treatment Facility. *The 26th International Symposium on Halogenated Persistent Organic Pollutants – DIOXIN2006*. Lecture conducted from Radisson SAS Scandinavia Hotel in Oslo Norway.

Hensley A.R., Scott, A., Rosenfeld P.E., Clark, J.J.J. (November 4-8, 2006). Dioxin Containing Attic Dust And Human Blood Samples Collected Near A Former Wood Treatment Facility. *APHA 134 Annual Meeting & Exposition*. Lecture conducted from Boston Massachusetts.

**Paul Rosenfeld Ph.D.** (October 24-25, 2005). Fate, Transport and Persistence of PFOA and Related Chemicals. Mealey's C8/PFOA. *Science, Risk & Litigation Conference*. Lecture conducted from The Rittenhouse Hotel, Philadelphia, PA.

**Paul Rosenfeld Ph.D.** (September 19, 2005). Brominated Flame Retardants in Groundwater: Pathways to Human Ingestion, *Toxicology and Remediation PEMA Emerging Contaminant Conference*. Lecture conducted from Hilton Hotel, Irvine California.

**Paul Rosenfeld Ph.D.** (September 19, 2005). Fate, Transport, Toxicity, And Persistence of 1,2,3-TCP. *PEMA Emerging Contaminant Conference*. Lecture conducted from Hilton Hotel in Irvine, California.

**Paul Rosenfeld Ph.D**. (September 26-27, 2005). Fate, Transport and Persistence of PDBEs. *Mealey's Groundwater Conference*. Lecture conducted from Ritz Carlton Hotel, Marina Del Ray, California.

**Paul Rosenfeld Ph.D.** (June 7-8, 2005). Fate, Transport and Persistence of PFOA and Related Chemicals. *International Society of Environmental Forensics: Focus On Emerging Contaminants*. Lecture conducted from Sheraton Oceanfront Hotel, Virginia Beach, Virginia.

**Paul Rosenfeld Ph.D.** (July 21-22, 2005). Fate Transport, Persistence and Toxicology of PFOA and Related Perfluorochemicals. 2005 National Groundwater Association Ground Water And Environmental Law Conference. Lecture conducted from Wyndham Baltimore Inner Harbor, Baltimore Maryland.

**Paul Rosenfeld Ph.D.** (July 21-22, 2005). Brominated Flame Retardants in Groundwater: Pathways to Human Ingestion, Toxicology and Remediation. 2005 National Groundwater Association Ground Water and Environmental Law Conference. Lecture conducted from Wyndham Baltimore Inner Harbor, Baltimore Maryland.

**Paul Rosenfeld, Ph.D.** and James Clark Ph.D. and Rob Hesse R.G. (May 5-6, 2004). Tert-butyl Alcohol Liability and Toxicology, A National Problem and Unquantified Liability. *National Groundwater Association. Environmental Law Conference*. Lecture conducted from Congress Plaza Hotel, Chicago Illinois.

**Paul Rosenfeld, Ph.D.** (March 2004). Perchlorate Toxicology. *Meeting of the American Groundwater Trust*. Lecture conducted from Phoenix Arizona.

Hagemann, M.F., **Paul Rosenfeld, Ph.D.** and Rob Hesse (2004). Perchlorate Contamination of the Colorado River. *Meeting of tribal representatives*. Lecture conducted from Parker, AZ.

**Paul Rosenfeld, Ph.D.** (April 7, 2004). A National Damage Assessment Model For PCE and Dry Cleaners. *Drycleaner Symposium. California Ground Water Association*. Lecture conducted from Radison Hotel, Sacramento, California.

Rosenfeld, P. E., Grey, M., (June 2003) Two stage biofilter for biosolids composting odor control. Seventh International In Situ And On Site Bioremediation Symposium Battelle Conference Orlando, FL.

**Paul Rosenfeld, Ph.D.** and James Clark Ph.D. (February 20-21, 2003) Understanding Historical Use, Chemical Properties, Toxicity and Regulatory Guidance of 1,4 Dioxane. *National Groundwater Association. Southwest Focus Conference. Water Supply and Emerging Contaminants.*. Lecture conducted from Hyatt Regency Phoenix Arizona.

**Paul Rosenfeld, Ph.D.** (February 6-7, 2003). Underground Storage Tank Litigation and Remediation. *California CUPA Forum*. Lecture conducted from Marriott Hotel, Anaheim California.

**Paul Rosenfeld, Ph.D.** (October 23, 2002) Underground Storage Tank Litigation and Remediation. *EPA Underground Storage Tank Roundtable*. Lecture conducted from Sacramento California.

**Rosenfeld, P.E.** and Suffet, M. (October 7- 10, 2002). Understanding Odor from Compost, *Wastewater and Industrial Processes. Sixth Annual Symposium On Off Flavors in the Aquatic Environment. International Water Association*. Lecture conducted from Barcelona Spain.

**Rosenfeld, P.E.** and Suffet, M. (October 7- 10, 2002). Using High Carbon Wood Ash to Control Compost Odor. Sixth Annual Symposium On Off Flavors in the Aquatic Environment. International Water Association. Lecture conducted from Barcelona Spain.

**Rosenfeld, P.E.** and Grey, M. A. (September 22-24, 2002). Biocycle Composting For Coastal Sage Restoration. *Northwest Biosolids Management Association*. Lecture conducted from Vancouver Washington..

**Rosenfeld, P.E**. and Grey, M. A. (November 11-14, 2002). Using High-Carbon Wood Ash to Control Odor at a Green Materials Composting Facility. *Soil Science Society Annual Conference*. Lecture conducted from Indianapolis, Maryland.

**Rosenfeld. P.E.** (September 16, 2000). Two stage biofilter for biosolids composting odor control. *Water Environment Federation*. Lecture conducted from Anaheim California.

**Rosenfeld. P.E.** (October 16, 2000). Wood ash and biofilter control of compost odor. *Biofest*. Lecture conducted from Ocean Shores, California.

**Rosenfeld, P.E.** (2000). Bioremediation Using Organic Soil Amendments. *California Resource Recovery Association*. Lecture conducted from Sacramento California.

**Rosenfeld, P.E.**, C.L. Henry, R. Harrison. (1998). Oat and Grass Seed Germination and Nitrogen and Sulfur Emissions Following Biosolids Incorporation With High-Carbon Wood-Ash. *Water Environment Federation 12th Annual Residuals and Biosolids Management Conference Proceedings*. Lecture conducted from Bellevue Washington.

**Rosenfeld, P.E.**, and C.L. Henry. (1999). An evaluation of ash incorporation with biosolids for odor reduction. *Soil Science Society of America*. Lecture conducted from Salt Lake City Utah.

**Rosenfeld, P.E.**, C.L. Henry, R. Harrison. (1998). Comparison of Microbial Activity and Odor Emissions from Three Different Biosolids Applied to Forest Soil. *Brown and Caldwell*. Lecture conducted from Seattle Washington.

**Rosenfeld, P.E.**, C.L. Henry. (1998). Characterization, Quantification, and Control of Odor Emissions from Biosolids Application To Forest Soil. *Biofest*. Lecture conducted from Lake Chelan, Washington.

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**Rosenfeld, P.E.**, C.L. Henry, R. B. Harrison, and R. Dills. (1997). Comparison of Odor Emissions From Three Different Biosolids Applied to Forest Soil. *Soil Science Society of America*. Lecture conducted from Anaheim California.

# **Teaching Experience:**

UCLA Department of Environmental Health (Summer 2003 through 20010) Taught Environmental Health Science 100 to students, including undergrad, medical doctors, public health professionals and nurses. Course focused on the health effects of environmental contaminants.

National Ground Water Association, Successful Remediation Technologies. Custom Course in Sante Fe, New Mexico. May 21, 2002. Focused on fate and transport of fuel contaminants associated with underground storage tanks.

National Ground Water Association; Successful Remediation Technologies Course in Chicago Illinois. April 1, 2002. Focused on fate and transport of contaminants associated with Superfund and RCRA sites.

California Integrated Waste Management Board, April and May, 2001. Alternative Landfill Caps Seminar in San Diego, Ventura, and San Francisco. Focused on both prescriptive and innovative landfill cover design.

UCLA Department of Environmental Engineering, February 5, 2002. Seminar on Successful Remediation Technologies focusing on Groundwater Remediation.

University Of Washington, Soil Science Program, Teaching Assistant for several courses including: Soil Chemistry, Organic Soil Amendments, and Soil Stability.

U.C. Berkeley, Environmental Science Program Teaching Assistant for Environmental Science 10.

# **Academic Grants Awarded:**

California Integrated Waste Management Board. \$41,000 grant awarded to UCLA Institute of the Environment. Goal: To investigate effect of high carbon wood ash on volatile organic emissions from compost. 2001.

Synagro Technologies, Corona California: \$10,000 grant awarded to San Diego State University. Goal: investigate effect of biosolids for restoration and remediation of degraded coastal sage soils. 2000.

King County, Department of Research and Technology, Washington State. \$100,000 grant awarded to University of Washington: Goal: To investigate odor emissions from biosolids application and the effect of polymers and ash on VOC emissions. 1998.

Northwest Biosolids Management Association, Washington State. \$20,000 grant awarded to investigate effect of polymers and ash on VOC emissions from biosolids. 1997.

James River Corporation, Oregon: \$10,000 grant was awarded to investigate the success of genetically engineered Poplar trees with resistance to round-up. 1996.

United State Forest Service, Tahoe National Forest: \$15,000 grant was awarded to investigating fire ecology of the Tahoe National Forest. 1995.

Kellogg Foundation, Washington D.C. \$500 grant was awarded to construct a large anaerobic digester on St. Kitts in West Indies. 1993

## **Deposition and/or Trial Testimony:**

In the Circuit Court Of The Twentieth Judicial Circuit, St Clair County, Illinois

Martha Custer et al., Plaintiff vs. Cerro Flow Products, Inc., Defendants

Case No.: No. 0i9-L-2295 Rosenfeld Deposition, 5-14-2021 Trial, October 8-4-2021

In the Circuit Court of Cook County Illinois

Joseph Rafferty, Plaintiff vs. Consolidated Rail Corporation and National Railroad Passenger Corporation

d/b/a AMTRAK,

Case No.: No. 18-L-6845 Rosenfeld Deposition, 6-28-2021

In the United States District Court For the Northern District of Illinois

Theresa Romcoe, Plaintiff vs. Northeast Illinois Regional Commuter Railroad Corporation d/b/a METRA

Rail, Defendants

Case No.: No. 17-cv-8517 Rosenfeld Deposition, 5-25-2021

In the Superior Court of the State of Arizona In and For the Cunty of Maricopa

Mary Tryon et al., Plaintiff vs. The City of Pheonix v. Cox Cactus Farm, L.L.C., Utah Shelter Systems, Inc.

Case Number CV20127-094749 Rosenfeld Deposition: 5-7-2021

In the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Texas Beaumont Division

Robinson, Jeremy et al *Plaintiffs*, vs. CNA Insurance Company et al.

Case Number 1:17-cv-000508 Rosenfeld Deposition: 3-25-2021

In the Superior Court of the State of California, County of San Bernardino

Gary Garner, Personal Representative for the Estate of Melvin Garner vs. BNSF Railway Company.

Case No. 1720288

Rosenfeld Deposition 2-23-2021

In the Superior Court of the State of California, County of Los Angeles, Spring Street Courthouse

Benny M Rodriguez vs. Union Pacific Railroad, A Corporation, et al.

Case No. 18STCV01162

Rosenfeld Deposition 12-23-2020

In the Circuit Court of Jackson County, Missouri

Karen Cornwell, Plaintiff, vs. Marathon Petroleum, LP, Defendant.

Case No.: 1716-CV10006 Rosenfeld Deposition. 8-30-2019

In the United States District Court For The District of New Jersey

Duarte et al, Plaintiffs, vs. United States Metals Refining Company et. al. Defendant.

Case No.: 2:17-cv-01624-ES-SCM Rosenfeld Deposition. 6-7-2019

In the United States District Court of Southern District of Texas Galveston Division

M/T Carla Maersk, *Plaintiffs*, vs. Conti 168., Schiffahrts-GMBH & Co. Bulker KG MS "Conti Perdido" *Defendant*.

Case No.: 3:15-CV-00106 consolidated with 3:15-CV-00237

Rosenfeld Deposition. 5-9-2019

In The Superior Court of the State of California In And For The County Of Los Angeles - Santa Monica

Carole-Taddeo-Bates et al., vs. Ifran Khan et al., Defendants

Case No.: No. BC615636

Rosenfeld Deposition, 1-26-2019

In The Superior Court of the State of California In And For The County Of Los Angeles - Santa Monica

The San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments et al. vs El Adobe Apts. Inc. et al., Defendants

Case No.: No. BC646857

Rosenfeld Deposition, 10-6-2018; Trial 3-7-19

In United States District Court For The District of Colorado

Bells et al. Plaintiff vs. The 3M Company et al., Defendants

Case No.: 1:16-cv-02531-RBJ

Rosenfeld Deposition, 3-15-2018 and 4-3-2018

In The District Court Of Regan County, Texas, 112th Judicial District

Phillip Bales et al., Plaintiff vs. Dow Agrosciences, LLC, et al., Defendants

Cause No.: 1923

Rosenfeld Deposition, 11-17-2017

In The Superior Court of the State of California In And For The County Of Contra Costa

Simons et al., Plaintiffs vs. Chevron Corporation, et al., Defendants

Cause No C12-01481

Rosenfeld Deposition, 11-20-2017

In The Circuit Court Of The Twentieth Judicial Circuit, St Clair County, Illinois

Martha Custer et al., Plaintiff vs. Cerro Flow Products, Inc., Defendants

Case No.: No. 0i9-L-2295

Rosenfeld Deposition, 8-23-2017

In United States District Court For The Southern District of Mississippi

Guy Manuel vs. The BP Exploration et al., Defendants

Case: No 1:19-cv-00315-RHW

Rosenfeld Deposition, 4-22-2020

In The Superior Court of the State of California, For The County of Los Angeles

Warrn Gilbert and Penny Gilber, Plaintiff vs. BMW of North America LLC

Case No.: LC102019 (c/w BC582154)

Rosenfeld Deposition, 8-16-2017, Trail 8-28-2018

In the Northern District Court of Mississippi, Greenville Division

Brenda J. Cooper, et al., Plaintiffs, vs. Meritor Inc., et al., Defendants

Case Number: 4:16-cv-52-DMB-JVM

Rosenfeld Deposition: July 2017

## In The Superior Court of the State of Washington, County of Snohomish

Michael Davis and Julie Davis et al., Plaintiff vs. Cedar Grove Composting Inc., Defendants

Case No.: No. 13-2-03987-5

Rosenfeld Deposition, February 2017

Trial, March 2017

#### In The Superior Court of the State of California, County of Alameda

Charles Spain., Plaintiff vs. Thermo Fisher Scientific, et al., Defendants

Case No.: RG14711115

Rosenfeld Deposition, September 2015

#### In The Iowa District Court In And For Poweshiek County

Russell D. Winburn, et al., Plaintiffs vs. Doug Hoksbergen, et al., Defendants

Case No.: LALA002187

Rosenfeld Deposition, August 2015

## In The Circuit Court of Ohio County, West Virginia

Robert Andrews, et al. v. Antero, et al.

Civil Action No. 14-C-30000

Rosenfeld Deposition, June 2015

## In The Iowa District Court For Muscatine County

Laurie Freeman et. al. Plaintiffs vs. Grain Processing Corporation, Defendant

Case No 4980

Rosenfeld Deposition: May 2015

## In the Circuit Court of the 17th Judicial Circuit, in and For Broward County, Florida

Walter Hinton, et. al. Plaintiff, vs. City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, a Municipality, Defendant.

Case Number CACE07030358 (26)

Rosenfeld Deposition: December 2014

## In the County Court of Dallas County Texas

Lisa Parr et al, Plaintiff, vs. Aruba et al, Defendant.

Case Number cc-11-01650-E

Rosenfeld Deposition: March and September 2013

Rosenfeld Trial: April 2014

## In the Court of Common Pleas of Tuscarawas County Ohio

John Michael Abicht, et al., *Plaintiffs*, vs. Republic Services, Inc., et al., *Defendants* 

Case Number: 2008 CT 10 0741 (Cons. w/ 2009 CV 10 0987)

Rosenfeld Deposition: October 2012

## In the United States District Court for the Middle District of Alabama, Northern Division

James K. Benefield, et al., *Plaintiffs*, vs. International Paper Company, *Defendant*.

Civil Action Number 2:09-cv-232-WHA-TFM

Rosenfeld Deposition: July 2010, June 2011

## In the Circuit Court of Jefferson County Alabama

Jaeanette Moss Anthony, et al., Plaintiffs, vs. Drummond Company Inc., et al., Defendants

Civil Action No. CV 2008-2076

Rosenfeld Deposition: September 2010

## In the United States District Court, Western District Lafayette Division

Ackle et al., Plaintiffs, vs. Citgo Petroleum Corporation, et al., Defendants.

Case Number 2:07CV1052

Rosenfeld Deposition: July 2009

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Response to GSEJA-1

The commenter provides introductory statements and requests to be added to the public interest list. The City will include GSEJA on the public interest list for notification purposes.

It does not raise any specific project-related environmental issues under CEQA, and therefore no further response is required.

## Response to GSEJA-2

The commenter describes the proposed project objectives, design, and background information such as anticipated approvals.

It does not raise any specific project-related environmental issues under CEQA, and therefore no further response is required.

#### Response to GSEJA-3

The commenter states that the Draft EIR did not include an analysis of the Environmental Justice impacts to nearby communities such as unincorporated Banta, which are overly burdened by and especially burdened by existing sources of pollution as identified by CalEnvironScreen, California Environmental Protection Agency (Cal/EPA's) screening tool. Additionally, the commenter states that the project's census tract and the census tracts adjacent to the project site are identified as SB 535 Disadvantaged Communities, which is not discussed or presented for analysis in the Draft EIR.

The comments are noted and acknowledged. CEQA does not require consideration of Environmental Justice considerations in this Draft EIR. Of relevance here, neither the ARB nor the Valley Air District has recommended significance thresholds be adjusted for Environmental Justice considerations, and thus neither entity recommends the evaluation of same as part of the CEQA process. As discussed in more detail in Section 3.3, Air Quality, of the Draft EIR, it utilized the currently recommended Valley Air District significance thresholds to determine health risk impacts resulting from the proposed project in accordance with the mandates of CEQA. The Draft EIR evaluated potential impacts to the Banta community in Section 3.3, Air Quality, through the analysis of cumulatively considerable criteria pollutant emissions and health risks under Impacts AIR-2 and AIR-3. The Draft EIR acknowledged that the project site is adjacent to the existing sensitive receptors identified by the commenter, and therefore the Draft EIR identifies the potential health risk impacts that could occur as a result of project construction and operation and includes feasible mitigation to reduce these impacts.

For purposes of conducting the health risk impact analysis, the Draft EIR's analysis properly identified the closest sensitive receptors to the proposed project in the dispersion modeling; it also identified the MIR during each construction phase of the proposed project, which may be different since the MIR during pollutant-generating activity is influenced by the distance of that receptor to the pollutant source(s), the amount and type of pollutants generated by each source, the topography and direction of the MIR as it relates to the pollutant source(s), and the prevailing

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meteorological conditions. As discussed in Section 3.3, Air Quality, using the Valley Air District's threshold of 20 cancer cases per one million people, Phase I of the project representing approximately 55 percent of total trucking activities could result in up to 11 excess cancer cases per one million people (i.e., 55 percent of 20 cancer cases per one million people). The Draft EIR recognized the foregoing as representative of and thus adequately identifying and disclosing operational impacts at full buildout. It conservatively analyzed and disclosed the potential health risks associated with the proposed project by identifying up to 13.13 excess cancer cases per one million people from Phase 1, and concluded that the proposed project has the potential to result in significant health impacts to nearby sensitive receptors during project operation (see Impact AIR-3 in Section 3.3, Air Quality). Because the health risk impacts analyzed for Phase 1 of the proposed project illustrate that the whole proposed project could result in potentially significant health impacts and the efficacy of implementation of MM AIR-1d for DPM emission reductions cannot be quantified, Impact AIR-3 of the Draft EIR was determined to be significant and unavoidable. See also Response to Valley Air District-2-5. Nonetheless, to further reduce potential health impacts to the nearest sensitive receptors to the project site (the residences and school along Grant Line Road and El Rancho Road), the City has agreed to adopt and the applicants have agreed to implement a new MM AIR-1e, which was added to Section 3.3, Air Quality, of the Draft EIR to require that trucks accessing the project site be prohibited from using Grant Line Road east of the project site. These changes can be seen in Section 3.1 of the Errata.

#### Response to GSEJA-4

The commenter notes that the State of California lists three approved energy compliance modeling software for nonresidential buildings: CBECC-Com, EnergyPro, and IES VE, and that CalEEMod is not listed as an approved software. The commenter also states that the spreadsheet-based and CalEEMod modeling in Appendix E do not comply with the 2019 Building Energy Efficiency Standards and under reports the project's potentially significant greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions and Energy impacts to the public and decision-makers. The commenter states that because the Draft EIR did not utilize an approved energy compliance modeling software, and that the GHG emissions and energy impacts in the Draft EIR are invalid, a revised EIR with modeling in one of the approved software types is required. Furthermore, the commenter states that Draft EIR Appendix E is incorrectly titled Sunnyvale FCII Project Energy Use Summary.

As detailed more fully in Section 3.3, Air Quality, of the Draft EIR, the City, in its discretion, has determined to utilize the applicable Valley Air District thresholds and methodologies, which are contained under each impact statement in Section 3.3 and which are based on scientific and factual data. As discussed therein, the Draft EIR utilized an approved emissions estimating model in CalEEMod based on the Valley Air District guidance contained in Guidance for Assessing and Mitigating Air Quality Impacts (GAMAQI). The GAMAQI provides technical guidance for the review of air quality impacts from proposed projects within the boundaries of the Valley Air District. the Valley Air District has not explicitly approved the use of the CBECC-Com, Energy-Pro, or IES VE, for CEQA analysis of projects within the GAMAQI; furthermore, these models are not alternatives to CalEEMod for estimating emissions and would not be appropriate to estimate GHG or energy impacts. The Draft EIR reflects a robust Air Quality Analysis in accordance with the requirements of CEQA, and no revised modeling is necessary.

The energy calculation summary page in Appendix E has been edited in Section 4.1 of the Errata to correctly show the proposed project title. Contrary to the commenter's statement, this minor typographical error does not impair the Draft EIR as an informational document. As shown in Appendix E, the correct CalEEMod modeling files were used to estimate project energy consumption; a revised EIR is not warranted.

#### Response to GSEJA-5

The commenter states that the City is not listed as a jurisdiction with local energy standards approved by the California Energy Commission (CEC). The commenter notes that for this reason, compliance with the City's General Plan and/or Sustainability Action Plan does not comply with CEC standards or AB 32/SB 32, and a revised EIR must be prepared. The CEC approves local energy standards in the following circumstances: when a local jurisdiction wishes to enforce a locally adopted energy standard that is more stringent than Statewide Energy Code requirements. CEC approval is not required in order for local jurisdictions to adopt local standards consistent with CEC energy standards. The City has adopted by reference the State energy code as part of Municipal Code Chapter 9.64-Energy Code. Moreover, the fact that the City is not listed as a jurisdiction with local energy standards approved by the CEC does not preclude a project from being consistent with applicable CEC standards or Assembly Bill (AB) 32/SB 32. As stated in Section 3.6 Energy, proposed project buildings would be required to be designed in accordance with all applicable laws and regulations including the provisions of Title 24, California's Energy Efficiency Standards for Nonresidential Buildings and Title 24, Green Building Code Standards. As stated on the CEC website,<sup>5</sup> the CEC regularly updates the building energy efficiency standards (for example, Title 24) and as such, compliance with then-current Title 24 and Green Building Code standards ensures compliance with CEC standards and AB 32/SB 32. As described in Impact ENER-2, these standards are some of the most stringent in the nation and include minimum energy efficiency for which the proposed project must comply, and ensure the proposed project would not conflict with or obstruct the applicable State plans and policies for renewable energy and energy efficiency.

#### Response to GSEJA-6

The commenter states that the Draft EIR does not provide any consistency analysis with the SJCOG-adopted 2018 RTP/SCS and is not consistent with several strategies set forth in the SJCOG adopted 2018 RTP/SCS. The commenter then concludes that the Draft EIR must be revised to include accurate Air Quality/HRA modeling results, energy, and GHG impact analyses and to provide an analysis of potential inconsistency with the 2018 RTP/SCS document.

For a discussion of modeling and modeling results, please see Responses to GSEJA-4, GSEJA-30, and GSEJA-31 through GSEJA-36.

State CEQA Guidelines Section 15125 requires an EIR to discuss "any inconsistencies" with plans; no analysis is required if the project is consistent. The Draft EIR discusses consistency with the RTP/SCS as part of the impact analysis in Chapter 3.6 Greenhouse Gas Emissions and summarizes that compliance with VMT targets adopted by the City to comply with SB 375 and the RTP/SCS would adequately address GHG emissions from passenger cars and light-duty trucks. In addition, Chapter

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> California Energy Commission (CEC). 2022. Website: https://www.energy.ca.gov/programs-and-topics/programs/building-energy-efficiency-standards. Accessed July 14, 2022.

3.6 also discusses the relationship between SB 375 and the RTP/SCS in the context of consistency with California's post 2020 GHG reduction targets. The Draft EIR describes that the RTP/SCS implements the goals of SB 375 and anticipates an increase in development density that would result in shorter vehicle, transit, bicycle, and pedestrian trips.

With respect to the 2018 RTP/SCS, significant and unavoidable impacts related to air quality and VMT do not necessarily equate to the proposed project conflicting with the policies and strategies outlined in the 2018 RTP/SCS. Furthermore, the policies and strategies listed by the commenter would only be possible for the City of Tracy and other cities within San Joaquin County to initiate and complete, and are not possible for an individual development project to do so. However, the proposed project would support these policies and strategies to the maximum extent feasible at the project level. For example, Strategy 1 is to enhance the environment for existing and future generations and conserve energy. The Draft EIR evaluates the proposed project's impacts on the environment and provides feasible mitigation to address identified significant impacts. As analyzed in Section 3.6, Energy, the proposed project would not result in a potentially significant environmental impact due to wasteful, inefficient, or unnecessary consumption of energy resources during project construction or operation (Impact ENER-1) or conflict with or obstruct a State or local plan for renewable energy of energy efficiency (Impact ENER-2). Strategy 3 is to improve air quality by reducing transportation-related emissions. Though the proposed project would result in significant and unavoidable impacts with respect to air quality and VMT, the project would be required to implement feasible mitigation (MM AIR-1d, MM AIR-1e, MM AIR-1f, MM AIR-1i, MM TRANS-1a, MM TRANS-1b), which would reduce transportation-related emissions to the maximum extent feasible thereby improving air quality, consistent with Strategy 3. Strategy 4 is to improve the regional transportation system efficiency. As described in Chapter 2, Project Description, and throughout the Draft EIR, among other things, the proposed project would set aside approximately 12.51 acres in the northwest corner of the project site, which would be sufficient to accommodate improvements to the City's expressway system, as well as a future I-205/Paradise Road/Chrisman Road interchange as shown in Exhibit 2-7c in Chapter 2, Project Description of the Draft EIR, consistent with the City of Tracy TMP. The TMP provides a comprehensive review of the City's transportation system and serves as a blueprint that can be utilized to identify and implement required improvements to the existing roadway system, as well as expand upon the system to accommodate future development consistent with the General Plan. 6 As an interstate, I-205 serves the region, and, therefore, the future I-205/Paradise Road/Chrisman Road interchange would improve the regional transportation system and support Strategy 4. Similarly, Strategy 8 requires the improvement of major transportation corridors to minimize impacts on rural roads. While the interchange project is not part of the proposed project, the 12.51 acres of land set aside would facilitate opportunities for the City and Caltrans to move forward with these planned improvements to the City's expressway system and the future I-205/Paradise Road/Chrisman Road interchange would result in such improvements, by providing regionally-focused infrastructure for automobiles and trucks entering and exiting the site and the vicinity. For clarification purposes, the above text

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> City of Tracy. 2022. Citywide Roadway and Transportation Master Plan. Website: https://www.cityoftracy.org/home/showpublisheddocument/13757. Accessed September 6, 2022.

and discussions regarding project consistency with the RTP/SCS have been added to Section 3.8, Greenhouse Gas Emissions, Impact GHG-2 of the Draft EIR, see Section 4, Errata of this document.

### Response to GSEJA-7

The commenter states that the Draft EIR should have included the City of Tracy Municipal Services Review (MSR) as an attachment for public review pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15150(f) and not simply have incorporated this document by reference, and for this reason, the commenter concludes that the Draft EIR must be revised and recirculated. The commenter also states that the Draft EIR includes a footnote reference to the MSR that no longer is valid. Pursuant to applicable provisions of LAFCo law, in 2019, the City prepared and San Joaquin LAFCo approved the MSR, which is a comprehensive study designed to better inform LAFCo, the City, other local agencies, and the community about the provision of municipal services. MSRs attempt to capture and analyze information about the governance structures and efficiencies of service providers, and to identify opportunities for greater coordination and cooperation between providers. <sup>7</sup> The City of Tracy MSR covers all lands within its municipal boundaries as well as its sphere of influence. Similar to other planning documents, the MSR is a long, technical document that provides general background information regarding the foregoing topics. Therefore, it is appropriate for the MSR to be incorporated by reference. The Draft EIR briefly described the MSR and its relationship to the analysis contained in the Draft EIR in accordance with Section 15150(c). CEQA requires that all documents incorporated by reference in an EIR be available for inspection together with the EIR; Section 15148 does not contain such a requirement for documents that are cited in an EIR. Section 1.5 of Chapter 1, Introduction, indicates a number of documents incorporated by reference, and also confirms where the incorporated documents will be available for inspection. While the MSR was not expressly referenced in Section 1.5, it, along with other documents incorporated by reference, have been and will continue to be available for inspection. In addition, the MSR is easily accessible to the public online at the following link: https://www.sigov.org/commission/lafco/municipal-service under "Cities." For purposes of clarification, Section 4, Errata, updates the footnote and provides a live link to the MSR. No revision to or recirculation of the Draft EIR is required under CEQA.

# Response to GSEJA-8

The commenter asserts that Table 3.11-3 in the Draft EIR contains a misleading consistency analysis and includes Objective LU-8.1, Policy 3 as an example. For this reason, the commenter states that a revised EIR should be prepared.

The law gives deference to the City's interpretation of its General Plan. The City and its consultants, based on substantial evidence in the record, provided a thoughtful and robust consistency analysis, as set forth in detail in Impact LAND-2. As explained therein, the site is designated as A/UR by San Joaquin County, which is designed to identify existing agricultural land intended for future urban development, and therefore the proposed project is consistent in this regard. In addition, this is consistent with the existing City of Tracy General Plan land use designation of Industrial for the project site; this reflects the long-planned urban development vision for the project site, which contemplates a variety of light industrial uses including warehousing and distribution. Once the site

California Association of Local Agency Formation Commission (CalLAFCo). What are Municipal Service Reviews? Website: https://calafco.org/lafco-law/faq/what-are-municipal-servicereviews#:~:text=Service%20reviews%20attempt%20to%20capture,coordination%20and%20cooperation%20between%20providers.

is annexed into the City of Tracy upon the required Local Agency Formation Commission approval, the current San Joaquin County General Plan designation would no longer apply to the site as described in Chapter 2, Project Description. One of the factors LAFCo must consider when reviewing a proposal for reorganization is the effect of the proposal on maintaining the physical and economic integrity of agricultural lands, as defined by Government Code Section 56016. Although the proposed project would result in a reduction of agricultural land, it is consistent with the City of Tracy General Plan land use designation of Industrial for the project site and reflects the planned urban development vision for the project site as set forth in both the City's and County's respective General Plans.

#### Response to GSEJA-9

The commenter describes analysis from Table 3.11-3 related to Goal AQ1 and how the analysis is incorrect because the proposed project would result in a significant and unavoidable impact related to a cumulatively considerable increase in ROGs and carbon monoxide (CO) during construction.

The law gives deference to the City's interpretation of its General Plan. The City and its consultants, based on substantial evidence in the record, provided a thoughtful and robust consistency analysis, as set forth in detail in Impact LAND-2. As explained therein, the proposed project would be subject to applicable regulatory measures adopted to ensure ambient air quality standards are met to the extent feasible. The proposed project would be required to implement MMs AIR-1a through AIR-1i to directly reduce pollutant emissions, such as ROG and CO generated during construction and operation to the extent feasible. The proposed project would not be a source of significant toxic or hazardous air pollutants and odors and was not found to have a significant impact with respect to GHG. Refer to Section 3.3, Air Quality and Section 3.8, Greenhouse Gas, of the Draft EIR, and Section 4, Errata of this Final EIR for further discussion.

## Response to GSEJA-10

The commenter states that a revised EIR must be prepared to address the inconsistencies identified in Table 3.11-3.

See Response to GSEJA-9.

### Response to GSEJA-11

The commenter lists other General Plan goals and policies that the Draft EIR did not evaluate in the project's consistency analysis.

The law gives deference to the City's interpretation of its General Plan, which often involves a balancing of competing interests. The City and its consultants, based on substantial evidence in the record, provided a thoughtful and robust consistency analysis, as set forth in detail in Impact LAND-2. This is sufficient for purposes of satisfying CEQA. For purposes of further clarifying and amplifying the analysis, the following provides additional information as to the City's determination of the proposed project's consistency with the goals, objectives, and action items noted by the commenter. The following discussion has been added to Section 4, Errata.

AQ-1.2 P3 Developers shall implement best management practices to reduce air pollutant emissions associated with the construction and operation of development projects:

#### Consistent

Section 3.3, Air Quality, in the Draft EIR and Section 4, Errata, include mitigation measures that the proposed project would be required to implement to reduce air pollutant emissions to the extent feasible. In addition, as described in Section 3.3, Air Quality, the proposed project would adhere to the applicable federal, State, and local laws and regulations, which include BMPs to reduce air pollutant emissions associated with the construction and operation of the proposed project.

AQ-1.2 P6 Installation of solar voltaic panels on new homes and businesses shall be encouraged.

## Consistent

The installation of solar voltaic panels is not a City of Tracy requirement for industrial development. As described in Chapter 6 Energy page 24, the proposed project would be required to design the proposed buildings according to Subchapter 6, Part 6 of the Title 24 standards, to structurally accommodate future installation of a rooftop solar system. As such, the design of the proposed project would facilitate the future commitment to renewable energy resources. The Draft EIR was prepared based on Valley Air District guidance and, with the implementation of BMPs and MMs AIR-1a through 1i, the proposed project would reduce air quality and GHG emissions to the maximum amount feasible.

AQ-1.2 P12 New sources of toxic air pollutants shall prepare a Health Risk Assessment as required under the Air Toxics "Hot Spots" Act and based on the results of the Assessment, establish appropriate land use buffer zones around those areas posing substantial health risks.

# Consistent

A Health Risk Assessment is provided in Section 3.3, Air Quality, of the Draft EIR, and the Draft EIR concluded that the proposed project would exceed the San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District's (Valley Air District's) significance thresholds, resulting in significant and unavoidable impacts. However, with the implementation of BMPs and MMs AIR-1a through 1i, the proposed project would reduce air quality and GHG emissions to the maximum amount feasible. For purposes of clarification and amplification, in terms of a land use buffer zone, MM AIR-1h, as provided in Section 4, Errata of the Final EIR, requires a vegetated project site buffer in the area of the sensitive receptors in compliance with this policy. The City has agreed to adopt and the project applicants have agreed to implement this additional mitigation measure.

AQ-1.2 P13

Dust control measures consistent with the San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District rules shall be required as a condition of approval for subdivision maps, site plans, and grading permits.

Consistent

Valley Air District Rule 8021 includes basic dust control measures as noted in Section 3.3, Air Quality in the Draft EIR. In compliance with this policy, these measures would be included as an enforceable condition of approval for the proposed project.

AQ-1.2 P14

Developments that significantly impact air quality shall only be approved if all feasible mitigation measures to avoid, minimize or offset the impact are implemented.

Consistent

As described in Section 3,3, Air Quality, of the Draft EIR there are several significant, unavoidable air quality impacts. However, the proposed project would be required to implement all feasible MM AIR-1a through MM AIR-1i. The basis for these determinations is detailed more fully in Section 3.3, Air Quality.

AQ-1.2 P15

Encourage businesses to electrify loading docks or implement idling-reduction systems so that trucks transporting refrigerated goods can continue to power cab cooling elements during loading, layovers, and rest periods.

Consistent

The proposed project would not include refrigerated units. Therefore, no trucks transporting refrigerated goods would be accessing the site. In addition, the City has agreed to adopt and the project applicants have agreed to implement MM AIR-1f, which would restrict on-site vehicle idling in any event to no greater than 3 minutes.

# Response to GSEJA-12

The commenter states that due to errors in the modeling and the significant and unavoidable impacts related to air quality and VMT, the proposed project would conflict with the listed General Plan goals and policies. The commenter requests that a revised EIR include a consistency analysis with all General Plan goals, policies, and objectives.

The commenter does not present specific errors in the modeling; see also Response to GSEJA-4. Additionally, the fact that there may be significant and unavoidable impacts under CEQA does not necessarily result in a local agency's finding of General Plan inconsistency. As described in Responses to GSEJA-8, GSEJA-9, GSEJA-10, and GSEJA-11, the law provides the City with substantial deference in making consistency determinations. There is substantial evidence in the record supporting the City's determination that the proposed project would be consistent with relevant General Plan provisions. No revision to the Draft EIR or recirculation is required.

## Response to GSEJA-13

The commenter states that the NEI Specific Plan analysis contained in the Draft EIR does not analyze the Project Description statement that the project requires an amendment to the NEI Specific Plan boundaries in order to incorporate the proposed project. The commenter states that the Draft EIR must be revised to detail the project's proposed development standards, the applicable standards within the NEI SP, and amendments proposed to the NEI SP in order to accommodate the proposed project.

Chapter 2, Project Description, of the Draft EIR provides a detailed project description, and confirms that an NEI Specific Plan Amendment is being requested (see Section 2.5). As described on page 3.11-29 of the Draft EIR, when a project seeks a plan amendment as a component of the project itself, to rectify inconsistency with the existing designation or other provisions therein, or in this case the boundary of the NEI Specific Plan as well as other conforming revisions, the amendment necessitates a legislative policy decision by the City and does not signify a potential environmental effect. As such, the proposed Specific Plan Amendment and pre-zoning, if approved, constitute a self-mitigating aspect of the proposed project that would serve to correct what would otherwise be a conflict.

In addition, the proposed project has been designed to be fully consistent with all applicable development standards and design guidelines in the NEI Specific Plan, and would be required to comply with these provisions. This information has been fully analyzed in the Draft EIR. For example, as described in Section 3.11, Land Use, of the Draft EIR, each individual development proposal for the project site would be required to adhere to the following development standards: a maximum floor area ratio (FAR) of 0.5; a maximum height of 60 feet; and a minimum setback of 10 feet. No revisions to the Draft EIR are required.

## Response to GSEJA-14

The commenter states that footnote 5 and the methodology used to determine the number of employees the proposed project would generate is not adequate, accurate or reliable. The commenter also asserts it was improper not to provide the conversations with City staff for public review. The commenter notes an alternative method to calculate the number of employees during operations, and asserts that the Draft EIR must be revised to utilize the commenter's methodology.

The City, in its discretion as the Lead Agency, has the authority in the context of an EIR to choose the methodologies and assumptions to be utilized in the analysis, as well as to choose which experts it will rely upon in conducting the CEQA review, so long as these decisions are based on substantial evidence in the record. The City, as Lead Agency, has discretion to determine the appropriate method to analyze environmental impacts in an EIR. Disagreements with an EIR's impact analysis will be resolved in favor of the Lead Agency if there is any substantial evidence in the record supporting the approach used. See Laurel Heights Improvement Ass'n v. Regents of Univ. of Cal. (1988) 47 C3d 376, 409; City of Hayward v. Board of Trustees of Cal. State Univ. (2015) 242 CA4th 833, 840; Rialto Citizens for Responsible Growth v. City of Rialto (2012) 208 CA4th 899; Eureka Citizens for Responsible Gov't v. City of Eureka (2007) 147 CA4th 357, 372; State Water Resources Control Bd. Cases (2006) 136 CA4th 674, 795; Anderson First Coalition v. City of Anderson (2005) 130 CA4th 1173.

Here, the City utilized a methodology which determined that the proposed project would generate a total of approximately 1,871 employees during operations. The estimated employment was calculated using the employment amount of these existing industrial and their building square footage data. This figure is used consistently throughout the Draft EIR as the most accurate employee projection based on the best available data. As described in the Project Description and as otherwise reflected in the administrative record, the City of Tracy determined reasonable assumptions as to the estimated employment that would be generated by the proposed project by surveying various industrial businesses, including warehousing, manufacturing, and distribution centers. The Draft EIR used the appropriate employment generation factor based on project-specific characteristics and assumed one employee for every 1,792 square feet resulting in 1,871 employees at buildout.

For the purpose of transportation analysis, the City has adopted the TMP and the associated City travel demand model that contain employee generation factors to analyze transportation impacts, which does not account for project-specific characteristics such as the type of industrial uses. Therefore, the transportation analysis and technical analyses that rely on the transportation report utilized a different set of employee generation factor in accordance with the TMP guidelines, and represents a more conservative estimation of impacts. Based on data provided by the City, the Draft EIR clarifies these assumptions to provide the most accurate evaluation of environmental impacts. Therefore, the analysis provided in the Draft EIR is internally consistent.

#### Response to GSEJA-15

The commenter states that the proposed project's employment would exceed the amount planned for in the 10-year horizon from the MSR. The commenter requests that this information be discussed in a revised EIR, and that a finding of significance be made in this regard.

As discussed in Response to GSEJA-14, it is anticipated that the proposed project would employ a total of approximately 1,871 employees at buildout. Therefore, the anticipated employment projections associated with the proposed project are within the projections provided in Table 2-7 of the MSR for 2029 to 2049. The commenter notes the construction schedule provided in the Draft EIR assumes project operation in 2025. However, this schedule was utilized to provide a conservative analysis, and, given that demolition has not occurred by April 28, 2022 as provided in the schedule, it is unlikely that the proposed project would be operational by 2025. Moreover, see Response to GSEJA-7, which explains the purpose of the MSR (which relates to LAFCo decisions about boundary changes). For example, there is a note included under Table 2-7 that states "this table is intended to demonstrate the potential pace of growth in the City and Sphere of Influence (SOI) and is not intended to place limitations on growth or otherwise be used to control the rate, type, or location of growth."

The Draft EIR properly evaluated the potential impacts of this growth utilizing the planning and land use assumptions reflected in the City's General Plan. As discussed in more detail in Section 4, Effects Found not to be Significant, of the Draft EIR, the industrial uses on the project site were anticipated by the City in the General Plan, and thus, the City anticipated this number of employees needed for such a project. Therefore, the proposed project would not result in a significant, unplanned change to the population of the City.

## Response to GSEJA-16

The commenter states that the proposed project's estimate of 3,354 employees exceeds the capacity of the 2019 MSR, which indicates that the proposed project would result in a significant, unplanned change to the population of the City resulting in a significant and potentially cumulatively significant impact. For this reason, the commenter states that the Draft EIR must be revised. See Responses to GSEJA-14 and GSEJA-15. The City, in its discretion as the Lead Agency, utilized 1,871 employees consistently throughout the Draft EIR as the most accurate employee projection based on the best available data, and as explained in GSEJA-15, the proposed project would not result in unplanned growth. Though the proposed project would generate employment, as explained in Chapter 4, Effects Found not to be Significant, the proposed project is industrial in nature (consistent with the long-planned vision for the project site and vicinity as reflected in the Industrial land use designation) and would not develop single-family or multi-family residential uses, and no direct population growth would be expected. With respect to indirect population growth, the project would create substantial employment opportunities, and therefore, could lead to indirect growth inducement. As discussed in Section 4 of the Draft EIR, according to the U.S. Census data, it is estimated that approximately 45,000 of the City's labor force is employed.8 In addition, the average travel time to work for Tracy's employed residents is 44.5 minutes, which strongly suggests that most residents travel a significant distance out of the City to work.

As detailed more fully in Section 4 of the Draft EIR, the General Plan assumes employment growth to improve the jobs-to-housing balance and provide more employment opportunities for the City's residents. Therefore, it is reasonably foreseeable that many of the employees of the project would come from the labor pool within Tracy, and the proposed project would not induce unplanned indirect population growth.

## Response to GSEJA-17

The commenter requests that the Draft EIR should provide an analysis of the projects approved since 2020 and in the pipeline to determine consistency with the SJCOG employment growth forecast. The commenter then provides examples of planned projects as of May 2022 and requests that a revised EIR determine whether the proposed project employees would exceed growth forecasts in the General Plan or NEI Specific Plan. CEQA Guidelines Section 15125, Environmental Setting, requires that an EIR include a description of the physical environmental conditions in the vicinity of the project site viewed from a "local and regional perspective." This environmental setting will normally constitute the baseline physical conditions by which a lead agency measures the changes to the environment that would result from a project and for determining whether those environmental effects would be significant. The purpose of this requirement is to give the public and the decisionmakers the most accurate and understandable picture practically possible of the project's likely near-term and long-term impacts. In general, consistency in the description of the environmental setting is critical to ensure an accurate evaluation of environmental impacts. In other words, to provide the impact assessment that is a fundamental purpose of an EIR, the EIR must delineate environmental conditions absent the project, thereby defining a "baseline" against which predicted effects can be described and quantified. An EIR's description of this environmental setting should

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> United States Census. 2020. Tracy, CA, Employment Data. Accessed: September 15, 2022.

See, e.g., Neighbors For Smart Rail v. Exposition Metro Line Constr. Auth. (2013) 57 Cal.4th 439, 447.

be sufficiently comprehensive to allow the project's significant impacts "to be considered in the full environmental context" (CEQA Guidelines § 15125(c)). However, the description should be no longer than necessary to provide an understanding of the significant effects of the project and of the alternatives analyzed in the EIR (CEQA Guidelines § 15125(a)). CEQA provides the lead agency with significant discretion in determining the appropriate "existing conditions" baseline. As indicated in CEQA Guidelines Section 15125(a)(1), generally, the lead agency should describe the physical environmental conditions as they exist at the time the notice of preparation is published. This is consistent with the related CEQA provision addressing the evaluation of a project's environmental effects. Under CEQA Guidelines Section 15126.2(a), in assessing the impact of a proposed project on the environment, the lead agency should normally limit its examination to changes in the existing physical conditions in the affected area as they exist at the time the notice of preparation is published.

The Draft EIR is consistent with the foregoing requirements. The Draft EIR's notice of preparation was published on August 28, 2020, and thus the environmental setting reflected in the Draft EIR includes a sufficiently comprehensive description of the physical environmental conditions in the vicinity of the project as of August 28, 2020.

See also Responses to GSEJA-14 through GSEJA-16.

The commenter also notes that the cumulative analysis discussion should determine whether the proposed project, in conjunction with cumulative development, would exceed SJCOG's employment growth forecasts for the City. As explained in the MSR, the SJCOG projection for jobs within the City is well below the City's employment levels and below the U.S. Census jobs data for the City. As the governing body, the City's General Plan provides the most accurate assessment and for purposes of this proposed project, and the population projections in the General Plan are used in the analysis. The General Plan is the City's basic planning document and establishes the blueprint for development. Accordingly, the California Supreme Court has held the General Plan to be "the constitution for all future development." (*Lesher Communications, Inc. v. City of Walnut Creek* (1990) 52 Cal.3d 531, 540.) Other land use documents, such as zoning ordinances, tentative maps, and development agreements are all subordinate to the General Plan.

## Response to GSEJA-18

The commenter states that the proposed project in combination with current pipeline industrial development as of May 2022 exceeds SJCOG's projected employment growth for the City, utilizing the commenter's methodology in calculating employees, and would account for a significant portion of the City's population growth, which warrants the preparation of a revised EIR.

See Response to GSEJA-17 regarding the proper point in time to be used for purposes of conducting the analysis.

See also Responses to GSEJA-14 through GSEJA-16. No further response is required.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> See, e.g., Communities for a Better Env't v. South Coast Air Quality Mgmt. Dist. (2010) 48 Cal.4th 310, 336.

For informational purposes, the following is noted.

As described in Response to GSEJA-14, the proposed project would employ approximately 1,871 people. Therefore, the proposed project would represent approximately 30 percent of the employment growth between 2020-2045. As shown in Response to GSEJA-16, the amount of employment within the City of Tracy for the proposed project would be well below the amount anticipated in the General Plan and would help improve the jobs-to-housing ratio within the City.

The commenter states that the proposed project represents 7.8 percent of the City's population growth from 2020-2045. However, this assumes that the proposed project would result in direct population growth and that 100 percent of the employees for the project would originate from outside the City of Tracy. As described in Response to GSEJA-16, the proposed project would not result in direct population growth and would not induce unplanned indirect population growth.

The commenter states that the cumulative projects included in the May 2022 Industrial and Commercial Development Pipeline Report in conjunction with the proposed project would vastly exceed the City's projected employment growth and a significant portion of its population growth. The commenter's calculations do not accurately reflect the project-specific characteristics of the proposed project. For the reasons described in GSEJA-17, the proposed project, in combination with the current industrial development pipeline would be within the City employment projections as included in the General Plan.

#### Response to GSEJA-19

The commenter disagrees with the Draft EIR's assertion that the proposed project would be staffed primarily by local employees and states that a revised EIR should be prepared to provide demographic and geographic information about the prospective workers such as the local population's interest or qualifications to work in the industrial sector.

As described in Response to GSEJA-14, the proposed project would employ approximately 1,871 people, representing approximately 30 percent of the employment growth between 2020-2045. Further, as explained in Response to GSEJA-16, the proposed project's contribution to employment in the City is consistent with the forecasted employment anticipated in the General Plan.

The City has the discretion, under CEQA, to weigh the evidence relating to the accuracy and sufficiency of the information in the Draft EIR and to decide whether to accept it. The City may adopt the environmental conclusions reached by the experts who prepared the Draft EIR even though others may disagree with the underlying data, analysis, or conclusions. (*Laurel Heights Improvement Ass'n v. Regents of Univ. of Cal.* (1988) 47 C3d 376, 408; State Water Resources Control Board Cases (2006) 136 CA4th 674, 795). Disagreements or discrepancies in results arising from different methods for assessing environmental issues do not undermine the validity of the Draft EIR's analysis as long as a reasonable explanation supporting the Draft EIR's analysis is provided. (*Planning and Conserv. League v. Castaic Lake Water Agency* (2009) 180 CA4th 210, 243). The commenter's implication that local employees would not be sufficient to staff the proposed project is not based on a different method for assessing impacts. It is conclusory and not supported by any evidence. No revisions to the Draft EIR are required.

## Response to GSEJA-20

The commenter claims that the proposed project would exacerbate an oversupply of jobs within the City, utilizing the commenter's proposed method of calculating the number of employees. The commenter asserts that the Draft EIR should be revised accordingly.

See Responses to GSEJA-14 and GSEJA-16.

As discussed in Chapter 4, Effects Found not to be Significant, of the Draft EIR, the City has a jobs-to-housing ratio goal of 1.5 but currently only has a jobs-to-housing ratio of 1.3. This means there are not enough jobs within the City to meet the jobs-to-housing ratio goal of 1.5. Therefore, many employees must commute outside of the City for employment, which is further supported by the average commute time for the City's employed residents of over 40 minutes. The proposed project would generate approximately 1,871 jobs within the City and would help the City achieve its jobs-to-housing ratio goal.

Contrary to the assertion this is "nonsensical," the Draft EIR was correct in its conclusion that the proposed project would help provide more jobs for the employed residents of the City and thus assist the City in meeting its goal with respect to the jobs-housing balance.

## Response to GSEJA-21

The commenter states that the VMT analysis mischaracterizes the term "automobiles" by not including medium/heavy-duty trucks and freight trips; asserts that the City should not rely on OPR guidance on this point characterizing it as "purely advisory" and its interpretation being "speculative," and asserts that a revised EIR and VMT analysis should be prepared that include all trucks, tractor trailers, and freight activity.

The comment is noted and acknowledged. However, the State of California's guidance specifically specifies the term "automobile" used in CEQA Section 15063.2, subdivision (a) as on-road passenger vehicles, specifically cars and light trucks. 11

Pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21099(b)(1), CEQA directed the OPR to propose revisions to the CEQA Guidelines to reflect the goals of SB 743. The criteria to be used by the OPR "shall promote the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions, the development of multimodal transportation networks, and a diversity of land uses. In developing the criteria, [OPR] shall recommend potential metrics to measure transportation impacts that may include, but are not limited to, vehicle miles traveled, vehicle miles traveled per capita, automobile trip generation rates, or automobile trips generated. [OPR] may also establish criteria for models used to analyze transportation impacts to ensure the models are accurate, reliable, and consistent with the intent of this section."

As noted in the comment, the OPR guidance states that, "the purpose of this document is to provide advice and recommendations, which agencies and other entities may use at their discretion. This document does not alter Lead Agency discretion in preparing environmental documents subject to CEQA." This means that the City of Tracy has discretion in setting VMT analysis methodologies and in

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California Governor's Office of Planning and Research (OPR). 2018. Technical Advisory on Evaluating Transportation Impacts in CEQA. April. Website: https://opr.ca.gov/docs/20180416-743\_Technical\_Advisory\_4.16.18.pdf. Accessed January 12, 2023.

this instance, the City has chosen in its draft guidelines to exclude heavy vehicles, consistent with OPR's guidance in this regard. In addition, consistent with the guidance and the industry standard methodology for analyzing VMT, there is a like-for-like comparison between industrial uses for both threshold setting and project analysis.

It should be noted that while heavy vehicles are excluded from a VMT analysis for CEQA purposes, this does not preclude the City from considering heavy vehicles when reviewing potential non-CEQA operational deficiencies to the surrounding roadway network. Moreover, while medium/heavy trucks/freight trips are not considered in the VMT analysis, they are not excluded from consideration from an environmental perspective with respect to their potential impacts on air quality, noise, and greenhouse gas emissions are analyzed. No revisions to the Draft EIR are required.

#### Response to GSEJA-22

The commenter states that the inclusion of the I-205 interchange in the Cumulative Condition is not appropriate because there is no "meaningful evidence" that the improvement will be completed by the date of the cumulative conditions analysis. Therefore, the commenter asserts that this results in an erroneous and misleading representative of the transportation impacts of the proposed project and the Draft EIR must be revised. The Paradise Road/I-205 Interchange is a planned improvement in SJCOG's Regional Transportation Plan; therefore, it is both reasonable and customary based on industry standards to include Regional Transportation Plan improvements in the Cumulative Conditions scenario for CEQA purposes. Also, LOS is no longer a CEQA transportation impact evaluation metric. The VMT analysis is based on existing vehicle-miles traveled thresholds and using the existing road network; therefore, the future implementation of the Paradise Road/I-205 Interchange does not affect the proposed project's VMT analysis. No revisions to the Draft EIR are required.

## Response to GSEJA-23

The commenter states that a revised EIR should be prepared because the conclusions set forth in the Other CEQA Considerations section of the Draft EIR are incorrect because the proposed project would exceed 10-year horizon growth projections considered by the MSR, is inconsistent with the General Plan and NEI Specific Plan, and would negatively exacerbate the existing jobs/housing balance by adding to the oversupply of jobs. The commenter asserts that the Draft EIR must be revised to provide this information for analysis and include a finding of significance. With respect to assertions related to purported inconsistencies with the growth projections included the MSR, please refer to Response to GSEJA-15. With respect to issues related to the jobs/housing balance, please refer to GSEJA-20; regarding claims of inconsistency with the General Plan, please refer to Response to GSEJA-11. With respect to inconsistency with the NEI Specific Plan, please see Response to GSEJA-13.

## Response to GSEJA-24

The commenter repeats its prior comment regarding how the proposed project would not exacerbate the oversupply of jobs and states that a revised EIR must be prepared.

Please refer to Response to GSEJA-20.

## Response to GSEJA-25

The commenter repeats its prior comment regarding the need to modify the cumulative analysis to reflect additional cumulative developments because the commenter asserts that a significant cumulative impact would occur due to employment increases and population growth.

With respect to a cumulative analysis in Chapter 5, Other CEQA, please see Responses to GSEJA-17 and GSEJA-18.

#### Response to GSEJA-26

The commenter repeats its prior comment regarding the need to revise the Draft EIR to analyze the cumulatively significant impacts to Agriculture, Air Quality, and Transportation, especially with respect to nearby disadvantaged communities.

For discussions related to disadvantaged communities and sensitive receptors, please see Responses to GSEJA-3 and MCINTOSH-3-3.

It is also noted that as set forth in Chapter 5, Other CEQA Considerations, of the Draft EIR, the analysis discloses that the proposed project would result in significant and unavoidable impacts with respect to the following:

- Project-level conversion of Prime Farmland.
- Cumulative conversion of Prime Farmland.
- Project-level impact related to Implementation of the applicable Air Quality Plan.
- Project-level impact related to cumulatively considerable net increase of ROG and CO during construction, and ROG and NO<sub>x</sub> during operation.
- Project-level impact related to exposing sensitive receptors to substantial pollutant concentrations.
- · Cumulative air quality impact.
- Project-level VMT impact.
- Cumulative VMT impact.

Those significant and unavoidable impacts are discussed in further detail in the applicable topical sections in the Draft EIR and related appendices. As discussed in Response to GSEJA-3, neither the ARB nor the Valley Air District has recommended significance thresholds adjusted for Environmental Justice considerations; therefore, the Draft EIR utilized the currently recommended Valley Air District significance thresholds to determine health risk impacts resulting from the proposed project. The City, in its authority as Lead Agency, is utilizing the questions in Appendix G of the State CEQA Guidelines to establish thresholds of significance for the proposed project. There are no recommended significance thresholds for these analyses with respect to Environmental Justice. Therefore, the Draft EIR correctly evaluated the proposed project based on existing thresholds.

As described in Section 3.1, Air Quality, the development of the Air Quality Plan (AQP) is based in part on the land use General Plan projections of the various cities and counties that constitute the

Air Basin. The City's General Plan designates the project site as Industrial, which is intended to accommodate flex/office space, manufacturing, warehousing and distribution, and ancillary uses for workers' needs. Therefore, the proposed project, which involves the development of light industrial, warehouse and distribution and related uses is considered consistent with the site's General Plan land use designation and its traffic would be included in volumes projected for analysis of the General Plan. Therefore, the inconsistency with the AQP is not due to unplanned growth.

As part of the certification of the Draft EIR and prior to approval of the proposed project, the City would need to adopt a Statement of Overriding Considerations that identifies the benefits of the proposed project that outweigh its unavoidable environmental risks.

#### Response to GSEJA-27

The commenter states that the Draft EIR does not evaluate a reasonable range of alternatives because it did not include an alternative that meets all the project objectives and eliminates all of the project's significant and unavoidable impacts. The comment states that a revised EIR should be prepared to address this alternative.

The commenter states that the alternatives analysis only provides two alternatives beyond the no project alternatives. However, the alternatives analysis includes an initial consideration of two other alternatives (including a maximum decreased intensity reduction and alternative location), which were both eliminated from further consideration for the reasons described in Chapter 6, Alternatives in the Draft EIR.

The commenter also states that the alternatives analysis should include an alternative that meets all of the project objectives and also eliminates all of the project's significant and unavoidable impacts. While the commenter incorrectly posits that such an alternative exists, it does not provide such an alternative. There is no evidence in the record that such a feasible alternative satisfying both of the foregoing criteria exists. For example, the maximum decreased intensity reduction was initially considered to reduce air quality impacts to less than significant levels. However, to result in less than significant air quality impacts, an extreme reduction in  $NO_X$  emissions during operation would be required, from a maximum 35.83 annual tons to a level below the applicable threshold of 10 annual tons, which would require a building square footage reduction of 72.9 percent. Given the substantial decrease in intensity, such an alternative would not be feasible, would not accomplish any of the project objectives, and was therefore rejected from further consideration.

As described in Chapter 6, Alternatives, of the Draft EIR, analysis of alternatives to the proposed project provides full disclosure and allows decision-makers to consider the proposed project in light of hypothetical alternative development scenarios. This analysis is guided by the following considerations set forth under CEQA Guidelines Section 15126.6:

- An EIR need not consider every conceivable alternative to a project.
- An EIR should identify alternatives that were considered by the lead agency, but rejected as infeasible during the scoping process.

- Reasons for rejecting an alternative include:
  - Failure to meet most of the basic project objectives;
  - Infeasibility; or
  - Inability to avoid significant environmental effects.

Consistent with the foregoing requirements, the Draft EIR evaluates two alternatives (aside from the No Project Alternative) that meet at least some of the basic objectives of the proposed project while lessening one or more of its significant impacts, consisting of the Outside Storage Allowable Use Alternative and the Agricultural Protection Alternative. It should be noted that both alternatives include a reduction in building footprint. Pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15126.6(e)(2), a Draft EIR must identify an environmentally superior alternative aside from the No Project Alternative. The Draft EIR identifies the Outside Storage Allowable Use Alternative as the environmentally superior alternative because it has the potential to yield the greatest reductions in the severity of the proposed significant and unavoidable impacts because it would preserve approximately 48 acres of the existing agricultural operations including Prime Farmland. However, this alternative would not achieve the project objective of developing approximately 3.3 million square feet of employmentgenerating industrial uses. It also would not: be as effective at achieving the employment-generating opportunity objective, as it would not provide as many local and regional employment opportunities and take advantage of the proposed project area's high level of accessibility; allow for the expansion of the City's economic base; help improve the jobs/housing balance; or reduce the commute for regional residents.

## Response to GSEJA-28

The commenter (as reflected in a report attached to the comment letter prepared by a consultant, SWAPE) provides conclusionary statements and reaffirms the request to be added to the public interest list.

The comment is noted and acknowledged. See Response to GSEJA-1. No further response is required.

#### Response to GSEJA-29

The commenter provides introductory statements and describes the project. It does not raise any specific project-related environmental issues under CEQA, and therefore no further response if required.

# Response to GSEJA-30

The commenter states that a revised EIR should be prepared because the Draft EIR did not adequately evaluate the air quality, health risk, and greenhouse gas impacts of the proposed project.

The comment is noted and acknowledged. Because it is conclusory in nature and does not identify any specific project-related environmental issues under CEQA, no further response is required.

For informational purposes, the following is noted.

The Air Quality, GHG, and Energy analyses in the Draft EIR were prepared according to the City of Tracy and Valley Air District requirements and followed the guidance described in the GAMAQI, the

Valley Air District's recommended set of modeling, and analysis guidance for CEQA land use projects. This comment does not specifically indicate how the Draft EIR underrepresents emissions and health risk impacts. In addition, as shown in Responses to Valley Air District-1 through Valley Air District-21, and as presented in the Errata, the proposed project would include additional mitigation measures requested by the Valley Air District aimed at reducing air pollutant emissions and associated health risks.

## Response to GSEJA-31

The commenter presents Table 3.3-9, Table 3.3-12, and Table 3.3-14 from the Draft EIR and summarizes the Draft EIR impacts related to construction ROG emissions, annual operational ROG and  $NO_x$  emissions, and daily operational  $NO_x$  emissions, respectively. The commenter states that the Draft EIR's conclusion that air quality impacts associated with construction-related ROG emissions and operational-related ROG and  $NO_x$  emissions cannot be fully mitigated is inadequate because it did not consider all feasible mitigation measures to reduce impacts from construction ROG emissions, annual operational ROG and  $NO_x$  emissions, and daily operational  $NO_x$  emissions. The commenter suggests additional mitigation measures as provided in GSEJA-34.

As detailed more fully in Section 3.3, Air Quality, the Draft EIR has considered all feasible mitigation based on project proponent-provided information and in some cases already includes some of the mitigation measures suggested by the commenter. See the table below for a comparison of which mitigation measures the commenter suggests, which mitigation measures the proposed project's EIR includes, and reasons for why commenter-suggested mitigation would not be able to be feasibly implemented and/or would not clearly lessen any identified significant impact, as applicable. See also Errata.

Commenter-Suggested Mitigation Measure	Which EIR Mitigation Measure addresses the Commenter's request?	Explanation
Prohibiting off-road diesel- powered equipment from being in the "on" position for more than 10 hours per day.	None.	This measure would not result in overall construction emissions reductions. Should the construction contractor be limited to utilizing equipment for only 10 hours per day, that contractor could instead rent multiple pieces of equipment for concurrent operation or lengthened construction schedules and times, resulting in the same or greater construction emissions than was analyzed. The suggested mitigation would not clearly lessen any significant environmental impact.
Requiring on-road heavy-duty haul trucks to be model year 2010 or newer if diesel-fueled.	None.	On-road heavy-duty haul trucks are regulated under the California State On-Road Heavy-Duty Vehicle Program. As described in Section 3.3, Air Quality, by January 1, 2023,

Commenter-Suggested Mitigation Measure	Which EIR Mitigation Measure addresses the Commenter's request?	Explanation
		nearly all trucks and buses will need to have 2010 model year engines or equivalent. The suggested mitigation would not clearly lessen any significant environmental impacts.
Providing electrical hook ups to the power grid, rather than use of diesel-fueled generators, for electric construction tools, such as saws, drills and compressors, and using electric tools whenever feasible.	MM AIR-1a.	MM AIR-1a regulates the use of diesel-powered generators and limits the use of such generators. The suggested mitigation would not clearly lessen any significant environmental impacts, nor is the suggested mitigation considerably different from the mitigation measure already evaluated in the Draft EIR.
Limiting the amount of daily grading disturbance area.	None.	This measure is not specific enough to include as a MM in the Draft EIR, and as such would not be feasible. In addition, limiting the daily grading area would not reduce overall emissions. This measure would only limit the progress of construction on a daily basis and extend the construction period, resulting in air quality impacts over a longer period.
Prohibiting grading on days with an Air Quality Index forecast of greater than 100 for particulates or ozone for the project area.	MM AIR-1b.	MM AIR-1b would significantly reduce the generation of ozone precursor pollutants, such as ROGs, during project construction. In addition, the incorporation of MM AIR-1a would reduce another ozone precursor pollutant, NOx, generated during construction. These two measures combined would significantly prevent the generation of particulates or ozone generating pollutants. Moreover, as illustrated in Section 3.3, Air Quality, project construction would not result in an exceedance of particulate emissions. The suggested mitigation would not clearly lessen any significant environmental impacts, nor is the suggested mitigation considerably different from the mitigation

Commenter-Suggested Mitigation Measure	Which EIR Mitigation Measure addresses the Commenter's request?	Explanation
		measure already evaluated in the Draft EIR.
Forbidding idling of heavy equipment for more than two minutes.	MM AIR-1f.	MM AIR-1f would require on-site trucks to limit idling to no greater than 3 minutes. The suggested mitigation would not clearly lessen any significant environmental impacts, nor is the suggested mitigation considerably different from the additional mitigation measure already incorporated in the Final EIR (see Errata).
Keeping on-site and furnishing to the Lead Agency or other regulators upon request, all equipment maintenance records and data sheets, including design specifications and emission control tier classifications.	MM AIR-1a.	MM AIR-1 would require the construction contractor to maintain equipment records for the construction fleet utilized for project construction. The suggested mitigation would not clearly lessen any significant environmental impacts, nor is the suggested mitigation considerably different from the mitigation measure already evaluated in the Draft EIR.
Conducting an on-site inspection to verify compliance with construction mitigation and to identify other opportunities to further reduce construction impacts.	MMs AIR-1 and AIR-1b.	This would be required by the Lead Agency prior to issuance of grading permits. The suggested mitigation is not considerably different from the mitigation measure already evaluated in the Draft EIR.
Providing information on transit and ridesharing programs and services to construction employees.	None.	The information that the commenter is referencing is available on the City of Tracy's website. Moreover, as it would be difficult to assess the effectiveness of this type of temporary TDM measure or confirm any quantifiable emission reductions that could reasonably be expected to occur, the suggested mitigation would not clearly lessen any significant environmental impacts. Moreover, the feasibility of effectively implementing this type of temporary TDM measure is questionable.
Requiring that all facility-owned and operated fleet equipment with	None.	On-road heavy-duty trucks are regulated under the California

Commenter-Suggested Mitigation Measure	Which EIR Mitigation Measure addresses the Commenter's request?	Explanation
a gross vehicle weight rating greater than 14,000 pounds accessing the site meet or exceed 2010 model year emissions equivalent engine standards as currently defined in California Code of Regulations Title 13, Division 3, Chapter 1, Article 4.5, Section 2025. Facility operators shall maintain records on-site demonstrating compliance with this requirement and shall make records available for inspection by the local jurisdiction, air district, and State upon request.		State On-Road Heavy-Duty Vehicle Program. As described in Section 3.3 Air Quality, by January 1, 2023, nearly all trucks and buses will need to have 2010 model year engines or equivalent. The suggested mitigation would not clearly lessen any significant environmental impacts.
Requiring all heavy-duty vehicles entering or operated on the project site to be zero-emission beginning in 2030.	MMs AIR-1g and AIR-1i.	MM AIR-1g would require future on-site on- and off-road equipment to be electric powered, and MM AIR-1i would require the installation of Tier 2 EV charging infrastructure, facilitating the future use of electric trucks and vehicles. Because of the volume of trucks anticipated to access the site, practical limitations on the owner's ability to regulate this item, and the current cost and availability of electric trucks, the suggested mitigation is not feasible.
Requiring on-site equipment, such as forklifts and yard trucks, to be electric with the necessary electrical charging stations provided.	MM AIR-1g.	MM AIR-1g would require all onsite off-road and on-road equipment to be electric powered, including but not limited to forklifts and pallet jacks. The suggested mitigation is not considerably different from the additional mitigation measure already incorporated in the Final EIR (see Errata).
Requiring tenants to use zero- emission light- and medium-duty vehicles as part of business operations.	MMs AIR-1g.	MM AIR-1g would require future on-site on- and off-road equipment to be electric powered. The suggested mitigation would not clearly lessen any environmental impacts, nor is the suggested mitigation considerably different from the mitigation measure already evaluated in the Draft EIR.

Commenter-Suggested Mitigation Measure	Which EIR Mitigation Measure addresses the Commenter's request?	Explanation
		Finally, given the volume of light- and medium-duty vehicles that would be involved as part of the tenants' business operations, practical limitations on the owner's ability to regulate this item, and the current cost and availability of electric vehicles, the suggested mitigation is not feasible.
Forbidding trucks from idling for more than two minutes and requiring operators to turn off engines when not in use.	MM AIR-1f.	MM AIR-1f would require on-site trucks to limit idling to no greater than 3 minutes. The suggested mitigation would not clearly lessen any significant environmental impacts, nor is the suggested mitigation considerably different from the additional mitigation measure already incorporated in the Final EIR (see Errata).
Posting both interior- and exterior- facing signs, including signs directed at all dock and delivery areas, identifying idling restrictions and contact information to report violations to California Air Resources Board (ARB), the air district, and the building manager.	MM AIR-1f.	MM AIR-1f would require on-site trucks to limit idling to no greater than 3 minutes and would require the installation of signage throughout the site regarding the idling limitation. The suggested mitigation would not clearly lessen any significant environmental impacts, nor is the suggested mitigation considerably different from the additional mitigation measure already incorporated in the Final EIR (see Errata).
Installing and maintaining, at the manufacturer's recommended maintenance intervals, air filtration systems at sensitive receptors within a certain radius of facility for the life of the project.	None.	The operations of private homes surrounding the project site are not under the purview of the owner or operator of the proposed project; therefore, there is no mechanism available to ensure that filtration systems would be installed and maintained at sensitive receptor locations near the project site. In addition, the effectiveness of air filtration systems heavily relies on continued maintenance and replacing filters. The suggested mitigation is not feasible.

Commenter-Suggested Mitigation Measure	Which EIR Mitigation Measure addresses the Commenter's request?	Explanation
Installing and maintaining, at the manufacturer's recommended maintenance intervals, an air monitoring station proximate to sensitive receptors and the facility for the life of the project, and making the resulting data publicly available in real time. While air monitoring does not mitigate the air quality or greenhouse gas impacts of a facility, it nonetheless benefits the affected community by providing information that can be used to improve air quality or avoid exposure to unhealthy air.	None.	Monitoring air quality at or near the project site would not result in any emissions reductions resulting from implementation of the proposed project. The suggested mitigation would not clearly lessen any significant environmental impact.
Constructing electric truck charging stations proportional to the number of dock doors at the project.	MM AIR-1i.	MM AIR-1i would require the installation of EV chargers to support the future use of electric trucks and vehicles. The suggested mitigation is not considerably different from the additional mitigation measure already incorporated in the Final EIR (see Errata).
Constructing electric plugs for electric transport refrigeration units at every dock door, if the warehouse use could include refrigeration.	None.	The proposed project would not include cold storage uses; therefore, the suggested mitigation is not applicable and would not clearly lessen any significant environmental impact.
Constructing electric light-duty vehicle charging stations proportional to the number of parking spaces at the project.	MM AIR-1i.	MM AIR-1i would require the installation of EV chargers to support the future use of electric trucks and vehicles. The suggested mitigation is not considerably different from the additional mitigation measure already incorporated in the Final EIR (see Errata).
Installing solar photovoltaic systems on the project site of a specified electrical generation capacity, such as equal to the building's projected energy needs.	None.	Energy source emissions in the Air Quality Analysis (see Section 3.3 of the Draft EIR) are limited to those generated from the on-site combustion of natural gas due to the inter-regional relationship between land use development projects and the facility generating the electricity. As such, the

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		consideration of electricity-related energy source emissions is limited to GHGs. Moreover, the proposed project would not result in any significant impact related to GHG emissions, as discussed in Section 3.8 of the Draft EIR. Therefore, the suggested mitigation would not clearly lessen any significant environmental impact.
Requiring all stand-by emergency generators to be powered by a non-diesel fuel.	None.	The proposed project would not include stand-by emergency generators. Accordingly, the proposed mitigation is not applicable and would not clearly lessen any significant environmental impact.
Requiring facility operators to train managers and employees on efficient scheduling and load management to eliminate unnecessary queueing and idling of trucks.	None.	It is reasonable to assume that in the ordinary course of business, tenant managers would need to train facility operators to minimize queueing, to the extent feasible, as part of running a successful business, which would financially incentivize the efficient scheduling and loading of goods. The suggested mitigation would not clearly lessen any significant environmental impacts.
Requiring operators to establish and promote a rideshare program that discourages single-occupancy vehicle trips and provides financial incentives for alternate modes of transportation, including carpooling, public transit, and biking.	MM TRANS-1a and TRANS-1b.	MM TRANS-1a and TRANS-1b of the Draft EIR would establish a TDM plan, which would establish similar measures that the commenter is requesting. The suggested mitigation is not considerably different from the mitigation measures already evaluated in the Draft EIR.
Meeting CALGreen Tier 2 green building standards, including all provisions related to designated parking for clean air vehicles, EV charging, and bicycle parking.	MM AIR-1i.	MM AIR-1i would require the installation of EV chargers to support the future use of electric trucks and vehicles, consistent with Tier 2 voluntary CALGreen standards. The suggested mitigation is not considerably different from the additional mitigation measure already

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		incorporated in the Final EIR (see Errata).
Achieving certification of compliance with LEED® green building standards.	None.	The suggested mitigation would not clearly lessen any significant environmental impacts. Furthermore, the proposed project would adhere to existing Green Building Code requirements contained in City of Tracy Municipal Code Article 6.
Providing meal options on-site or shuttles between the facility and nearby meal destinations.	None.	The suggested mitigation would not clearly lessen any significant environmental impacts. In addition, the proposed project's TDM program as part of MM TRANS-1a would reduce passenger vehicle trips during operation.
Posting signs at every truck exit driveway providing directional information to the truck route.	MM AIR-1e	The suggested mitigation would be included as part of MM AIR-1e Operational Truck Fleet Routing contained in Section 4: Errata. MM AIR-1e would prohibit trucks from accessing Grant Line Road east of the project site. In addition, the project applicants have agreed to voluntarily implement a signage program along project frontage on Grant Line Road to deter trucks from accessing Grant Line Road east of the project site.
Improving and maintaining vegetation and tree canopy for residents in and around the project area.	MM AIR-1h.	The suggested mitigation would not lessen any significant environmental impacts. However, the proposed project includes MM AIR-1h-Vegetated Project Site Buffer which would include a vegetative buffer along the project boundary to the east. The addition of MM AIR-1h can be seen in Section 3.1 of the Errata as well as the updated MMRP.
Requiring that every tenant train its staff in charge of keeping vehicle records in diesel technologies and compliance with ARB regulations, by attending ARB-approved courses. Also require facility operators to maintain	None.	As discussed at length in Section 3.3, the project applicants would be required to adhere to all applicable laws and regulations, including those set forth by ARB and Valley Air District. The suggested mitigation would not

Commenter-Suggested Mitigation Measure	Which EIR Mitigation Measure addresses the Commenter's request?	Explanation
records on-site demonstrating compliance and make records available for inspection by the local jurisdiction, air district, and State upon request.		clearly lessen any significant environmental impacts.
Requiring tenants to enroll in the EPA's SmartWay program, and requiring tenants to use carriers that are SmartWay carriers.	None.	The suggested mitigation would not clearly lessen any significant environmental impacts.
Providing tenants with information on incentive programs, such as the Carl Moyer Program and Voucher Incentive Program, to upgrade their fleets.	None.	Providing tenants with information on incentive programs with goals to reduce emissions from heavyduty trucks would not ensure that the tenants could or would apply for any of the programs, as applying for programs would be a voluntary action. In addition, the information would not be relevant to tenants that use third-party carriers, further limiting the potential benefit of including this suggestion mitigation. The suggested mitigation would not clearly lessen any significant environmental impacts.

#### Response to GSEJA-32

The commenter disagrees with the Draft EIR's determination that impacts related to a significant health risk impact, specifically DPM emissions, would be significant and unavoidable. Therefore, the commenter asserts that additional mitigation measures should be incorporated and the Draft EIR be revised accordingly. The comment is noted and acknowledged. The Draft EIR considered potential mitigation measures when the analysis was prepared; however, based on known project information, many of these measures would be neither feasible nor enforceable, such as, for example, the use of a zero-emission trucking fleet. Furthermore, as described in the Response to GSEJA-31, the proposed project includes additional new mitigation measures that would further reduce DPM emissions; these new measures are substantially similar to or the same as many of the measures noted in the list shown in the comment letter.

# Response to GSEJA-33

The commenter asserts that due to the large size of the proposed project, the Draft EIR should incorporate additional project design features that reduce GHG emissions, such as the use of zero-carbon resource electricity supplies and an on-site renewable energy production system, such as solar. Until the feasibility of incorporating on-site renewable energy production is considered to reduce the proposed project's GHG emissions, the commenter claims that the Draft EIR should not be approved.

The comment is noted and acknowledged. The commenter does not question the GHG impact analysis or less than significant conclusions referenced in its comment letter. The City is not permitted under CEQA to impose mitigation measures or require applicants to incorporate project design features for impacts that have been determined to be less than significant. Chapter 2, Project Description, of the Draft EIR sets forth a detailed description of the proposed project. Evaluating the feasibility of incorporating on-site renewable energy production is not required under CEQA. No further response is required.

For informational purposes, the following is noted. The Draft EIR was prepared based on Valley Air District guidance and as such, by achieving a 29 percent reduction from Business as Usual (BAU) threshold and the ARB 2020 21.7 percent threshold, the Draft EIR's determination is valid. In additon, the inclusion of new MM AIR-1f, MM AIR-1g, and MM AIR-1i (for which the City has agreed to adopt and the applicants have agreed to implement) would further reduce GHG emissions by reducing truck idling, requiring all-electric on-site equipment, and installing EV charging stations consistent with the voluntary Tier 2 CALGreen standards.

## Response to GSEJA-34

The commenter states that the Draft EIR's analysis related to air quality and health risk impacts should be mitigated and suggests certain mitigation measures from the California Department of Justice Warehouse Best Practices document (see pgs. 6-8 of the comment letter).

See Responses to GSEJA-31 and -GSEJA-32.

#### Response to GSEJA-35

The commenter recommends the Draft EIR consider the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) 2020 RTP/SCS PEIR Air Quality-level mitigation measures and greenhouse gas project-level mitigation measures.

See Responses to GSEJA-31, -GSEJA-32, and GSEJA-36.

#### Response to GSEJA-36

The commenter states that SCAG's 2020 RTP/SCS PEIR Air Quality-level mitigation measures and GHG project-level mitigation measures would be a feasible way to reduce the proposed project's pollutant and GHG emissions. The commenter states that a revised EIR should be provided that demonstrates the inclusion of these measures.

As described in Response to GSEJA-31, the Draft EIR already includes mitigation similar to measures that are presented in this comment. See also the Table below for further discussion in this regard with respect to SCAG's 2020 RTP/SCS PEIR measures. Moreover, the Draft EIR now includes new mitigation measures recommended by Valley Air District in its comment letter. This new mitigation, as shown in Section 4, Errata, includes measures identical or similar to measures that the commenter presents. For example, new MM AIR-1f and -1g require signage to be posted limiting idling times to 3 minutes or less and the use of all-electric on-road and off-road equipment. See also Response to GSEJA-33 related to the less than significant GHG impacts. No revisions to the Draft EIR are required.

SCAG 2020 RTP/SCS PEIR GHG Project Level Mitigation Measure	Which EIR Mitigation Measure addresses the Commenter's request?	Explanation
PMM GHG-1: In accordance with provisions of sections 15091(a)(2) and 15126.4(a)(1)(B) of the State CEQA Guidelines, a Lead Agency for a project can and should consider mitigation measures to reduce substantial adverse effects related to greenhouse gas emissions. Such measures may include the following or other comparable measures identified by the Lead Agency: a) Integrate green building measures consistent with CALGreen (California Building Code Title 24), local building codes and other applicable laws, into project design including: i) Use energy-efficient materials in building design, construction, rehabilitation, and retrofit. ii) Install energy-efficient lighting, heating, and cooling systems (cogeneration); water heaters; appliances; equipment; and control systems. iii) Reduce lighting, heating, and cooling needs by taking advantage of light-colored roofs, trees for shade, and sunlight. iv) Incorporate passive environmental control systems that account for the characteristics of the natural environment. v) Use high-efficiency lighting and cooking devices. vi) Incorporate passive solar design. vii) Use high-reflectivity building materials and multiple glazing. viii) Prohibit gas-powered landscape maintenance equipment. ix) Install electric vehicle charging stations. x) Reduce wood burning stoves or fireplaces. xi) Provide bike lanes accessibility and parking at residential developments.	MM AIR-1e through -1i	The proposed project would be designed according to CALGreen standards as well as the City of Tracy Building Code standards, which is required for all development projects. Project design features such as drought tolerant landscaping and bicycle parking would further ensure the proposed project would reduce operational GHG emissions. In addition, MM AIR-1e through -1i, while not required to reduce a GHG impact, would provide a cobenefit of reducing operational GHG emissions. For example, the inclusion of EV charging infrastructure consistent with Tier 2 CALGreen standards would facilitate the use of EVs and reduce the use of fossil fuel-powered vehicles. Furthermore, the MM AIR-1g would require zero-emission on-site equipment, which would be consistent with the SCAG measure. In conclusion, the adherence to Title 24 and existing City standards along with project design features and mitigation measures would ensure the proposed project would be consistent with SCAG PEIR project-level mitigation measure PMM
implementation of project features, project design, or other measures, such as those described in Appendix F of the State CEQA Guidelines		GHG-1.
<ul> <li>Include off-site measures to mitigate a project's emissions.</li> </ul>		
d) Measures that consider incorporation of Best Available Control Technology (BACT) during design, construction and operation of projects to minimize GHG emissions, including but not limited to: i) Use energy and fuel-efficient vehicles and equipment; ii) Deployment of zero- and/or near zero-emission technologies;		

SCAG 2020 RTP/SCS PEIR GHG Project Level Mitigation Measure	Which EIR Mitigation Measure addresses the Commenter's request?	Explanation
<ul> <li>iii) Use lighting systems that are energy-efficient, such as LED technology;</li> <li>iv) Use the minimum feasible amount of GHG-emitting construction materials;</li> <li>v) Use cement blended with the maximum feasible amount of flash or other materials that reduce GHG emissions from cement production;</li> <li>vi) Incorporate design measures to reduce GHG emissions from solid waste management through encouraging solid waste recycling and reuse;</li> <li>vii) Incorporate design measures to reduce energy consumption and increase use of renewable energy;</li> <li>viii) Incorporate design measures to reduce water consumption;</li> <li>ix) Use lighter-colored pavement where feasible;</li> <li>x) Recycle construction debris to maximum extent feasible;</li> <li>x) Plant shade trees in or near construction projects where feasible; and</li> <li>xii) Solicit bids that include concepts listed above.</li> <li>e) Measures that encourage transit use, carpooling, bike-share and car-share programs, active transportation, and parking strategies, including, but not limited to the following:</li> <li>i) Promote transit-active transportation coordinated strategies;</li> <li>ii) Increase bicycle carrying capacity on transit and rail vehicles;</li> <li>iii) Improve or increase access to transit;</li> <li>iv) Increase access to common goods and services, such as groceries, schools, and day care;</li> <li>v) Incorporate affordable housing into the project;</li> <li>vi) Incorporate the neighborhood electric vehicle network;</li> <li>vii) Orient the project toward transit, bicycle and pedestrian facilities;</li> <li>viii) Improve pedestrian or bicycle networks, or transit service;</li> <li>ix) Provide bicycle parking;</li> <li>xi) Limit or eliminate park supply; xii) Unbundle parking costs;</li> <li>xiii) Provide parking cash-out programs;</li> <li>xiii) Implement or provide access to commute reduction program;</li> </ul>		

	SCAG 2020 RTP/SCS PEIR GHG Project Level Mitigation Measure	Which EIR Mitigation Measure addresses the Commenter's request?	Explanation
f)	Incorporate bicycle and pedestrian facilities into project designs, maintaining these facilities, and providing amenities incentivizing their use; and planning for and building local bicycle projects that connect with the regional network;		
g)	Improving transit access to rail and bus routes by incentives for construction of transit facilities within developments, and/or providing dedicated shuttle service to transit stations; and		
h)			
	<ul> <li>i) Provide car-sharing, bike sharing, and ridesharing programs;</li> <li>ii) Provide transit passes;</li> <li>iii) Shift single-occupancy vehicle trips to carpooling</li> </ul>		
	or vanpooling, for example providing ride- matching services; iv) Provide incentives or subsidies that increase that use of modes other than single-occupancy		
	vehicle; v) Provide on-site amenities at places of work, such as priority parking for carpools and vanpools, secure bike parking, and showers and locker rooms;		
	<ul><li>vi) Provide employee transportation coordinators at employment sites;</li><li>vii) Provide a guaranteed ride home service to users</li></ul>		
i)	of non-auto modes.  Designate a percentage of parking spaces for ridesharing vehicles or high-occupancy vehicles, and provide adequate passenger loading and unloading for those vehicles;		
	<ul><li>j) Land use siting and design measures that reduce GHG emissions, including:</li></ul>		
	<ul> <li>i) Developing on infill and brownfields sites;</li> <li>ii) Building compact and mixed-use developments near transit;</li> </ul>		
	<ul><li>iii) Retaining on-site mature trees and vegetation, and planting new canopy trees;</li><li>iv) Measures that increase vehicle efficiency,</li></ul>		
	encourage use of zero and low emissions vehicles, or reduce the carbon content of fuels, including constructing or encouraging construction of electric vehicle charging stations		

SCAG 2020 RTP/SCS PEIR GHG Project Level Mitigation Measure	Which EIR Mitigation Measure addresses the Commenter's request?	Explanation
or neighborhood electric vehicle networks, or charging for electric bicycles; and v) Measures to reduce GHG emissions from solid waste management through encouraging solid waste recycling and reuse		

# Response to GSEJA-37

The commenter provides legal and conclusionary statements.

The commenter does not raise any project-specific CEQA issues, and therefore no further response is required.

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Sent: Friday, June 3, 2022 5:03 PM

To: Victoria Lombardo < Victoria.Lombardo@cityoftracy.org >

Subject: DEIR comment

I believe the amount of farmland that would be lost to this project is too great to justify continuing. I noticed that Tracy's logo has an agricultural aspect to it, I would assume that the City of Tracy highly values it's agricultural community and will do whatever It can to support it. And taking away almost 191 acres of farmland doesn't seem to be in line with those views. Our farmland is precious resource, especially California farmland, and we should be doing everything we can to maintain these resources, this project seems to unnecessarily take away from that.

The air quality impacts are also greatly concerning, especially for the people who live on California Avenue. We already have the freeway behind us and all the air quality issues that come with that. To put warehouses on the other side of our homes would significantly and negatively change the air quality. In addition to the homes, there is a school less than a mile away where children play outside daily, those children do not deserve to have their air quality reduced.

The traffic is also a major concern, the small community of Banta has so much traffic from commuters and warehouse employees already, in addition to the large trucks that pass through illegally. This community does not deserve to have all of that increased.

Something that I didn't notice on the DEIR is the amount of water that would be used. As I'm sure we all know, California is in a drought, we have our governor talking about aggressive water conservation, how much water would be used on the construction of this project?

These issues are too great to ignore and do not justify moving forward with this project, and I strongly encourage the City of Tracy to consider the impacts of this project, and negative strongly outnumber any benefit this would bring.

Thank you, Genna McIntosh 1

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# **Individuals**

# Genna McIntosh (MCINTOSH)

Response to MCINTOSH-1

This comment is related to the loss of 191 acres of farmland, and the commenter states that the City should support and maintain agricultural uses and thus not approve the conversion of these 191 acres.

The comment sets forth a personal opinion on the merits of the proposed project. The commenter's opinion is noted and will be included in the administrative record for consideration by the City decision-makers. No further response is required.

For informational purposes, the following is provided. The proposed project's potential impacts on agricultural resources are discussed at length in Section 3.2, Agriculture and Forestry Resources, of the Draft EIR. Among other things, Section 3.2 acknowledges that the project site contains approximately 188 acres of Prime Farmland and approximately 4 acres of Semi-Agricultural and Rural Commercial Land, as classified by the Farmland Mapping and Monitoring Program (FMMP). The Draft EIR details in the Regulatory Framework the relevant laws and regulations, including relevant City General Plan goals and policies, the City's local Agricultural Mitigation Fee Program, as well as those under LAFCo law. The analysis also analyzes the impacts of the proposed conversion of Important Farmland to industrial uses. As detailed more fully therein, the conversion of the project site from agricultural land to industrial uses is consistent with the City's long-term planning vision. The proposed project is consistent with the land use designation and densities established by the General Plan and conversion of the project site to industrial use was envisioned as part of buildout under the General Plan. Nevertheless, for purposes of a conservative analysis, this Draft EIR acknowledges that the proposed project would result in the loss of Prime Farmland as a result of its conversion of Prime Farmland to urban uses, and discloses this as a significant and unavoidable impact. The City addresses the need to balance agricultural resource and open space preservation goals with urban development needs by focusing industrial development in the NEI Specific Plan area, for which the project site is adjacent. In so doing, this helps to ensure the preservation of other agricultural resources and open space. In addition, in accordance with Chapter 13.28 of the Municipal Code, Agricultural Mitigation Fee, the developers of the Suvik Farms, Zuriakat, and Tracy Alliance parcels would each be required to pay applicable Agricultural Mitigation fees in connection with their respective individual development proposals, as implemented by MM AG-1. In addition, the SJMSCP works at a regional level to promote the permanent preservation of agricultural lands in San Joaquin County. The SJMSCP calls for the preservation of about 100,000 acres, including 57,000 agricultural acres, over a 50-year period for the protection of a variety of biological species. Most agricultural conservation easements in the County are the product of the SJMSCP. The proposed project would be required to comply with applicable provisions of the SJMSCP (see Section 3.4, Biological Resources, of the Draft EIR for more information), which may include payment of development fees for conversion of lands. See also Section 3.2.6 for the Draft EIR's cumulative analysis with respect to agricultural resources.

## Response to MCINTOSH-2

The comment is related to air quality impacts, especially to residents who live on California Avenue, adjacent to an existing air pollution source, like I-205. The commenter states that the proposed project would further impact air quality of nearby sensitive land uses including homes and a school that is less than a mile away.

The comment sets forth a personal opinion on the merits of the proposed project. The commenter's opinion is noted and will be included in the administrative record for consideration by the City decision-makers. No further response is required.

For informational purposes, the following is provided. The Draft EIR fully analyzed the potential air quality and health risk impacts resulting from construction and operation of the proposed project, which was performed consistent with the guidance and methodologies provided by the Valley Air District's GAMAQI. Potential impacts on sensitive uses, including nearby homes and Banta Elementary School, were specifically evaluated (see, e.g., Impact AIR-3). As discussed in Section 3.3, Air Quality, of the Draft EIR, the project site has been long planned for industrial uses and is located adjacent to the NEI Specific Plan area. The proposed project would be required to incorporate technically and financially feasible mitigation measures (MM AIR-1a through MM AIR-1d) to reduce emissions generated during project construction and operation. In addition, the project applicants have agreed to incorporate additional measures (see MM AIR-1e, MM AIR-1f, MM AIR-1g, MM AIR-1h, and MM AIR-1i), which have been included in the Final EIR and which would result in additional emission reductions during project operation. See Response to Response to Valley Air District-2-5 for additional information in this regard.

## Response to MCINTOSH-3

This comment is related to project traffic impacts to the Banta community, which currently experiences traffic impacts from commuters, warehouse employees, and illegal truck traffic.

The comment sets forth a personal opinion on the merits of the proposed project. The commenter's opinion is noted and will be included in the administrative record for consideration by the City decision-makers. No further response is required.

For informational purposes, the following is provided. Section 3.14, Transportation, of the Draft EIR evaluates the proposed project's potential transportation-related impacts as required under CEQA. As detailed more fully therein, the analysis considers and discloses any potentially significant impacts with respect to VMT; any conflicts relating to alternative transportation, bicycle facilities, pedestrian facilities, and transit facilities; any design hazard features; and any impairment on emergency access. The Draft EIR also identifies feasible mitigation measures to reduce identified impacts (i.e., MM TRANS-1a, MM TRANS-1b). In addition, the Draft EIR includes (for informational purposes) a non-CEQA operational analysis, utilizing a level-of-service evaluation of the study area identified by the City.

Specifically, with respect to truck traffic during operations, the Draft EIR evaluated this issue and acknowledged that the proposed project would result in new truck trips both to and from the project site. The Draft EIR discussed the relevance of Section 3.08.290 of the Tracy Municipal Code,

which establishes truck routes throughout the City, restricting vehicle routes within the City for vehicles with a gross vehicle weight of 5 tons or more or that are licensed commercially as a truck in the state of origin and used for carrying goods for pickup and delivery. Vehicles meeting this requirement would be restricted to specific truck routes and designated streets, except when necessary for egress and ingress by direct route to and from restricted streets for the purpose of loading or unloading. The Draft EIR also detailed the findings of a relevant STAA truck route study. Specifically, an NEI Truck Route Map defines STAA truck routing (both interim and ultimate) and identifies new improvements (e.g., truck route signage, conversion of existing roads to STAA routes), which would further improve roadway safety by providing appropriate and adequate roadway infrastructure for the trucks that would access the project site. As a result, existing and planned roadways would be able to support proposed STAA trucks that would access the project site consistent with applicable provisions of the Municipal Code. Therefore, trucks trips during operation would result in less than significant impacts.

Furthermore, the City has agreed to adopt and the project applicants have agreed to implement MM AIR-1e to require that trucks accessing the project site are prohibited from using Grant Line Road east of the project site. See Section 3, Errata.

Nevertheless and although not required as mitigation for any impact, in an effort to further address concerns about truck traffic through the Banta community, the project applicants are willing to voluntarily implement signage along project frontage on Grant Line Road to deter trucks from traveling on Grant Line Road east of the project site, and voluntarily implement routine communications between property managers and tenants to ensure tenant understanding that trucks accessing the project site are prohibited from using Grant Line Road east of the project site. These measures will be incorporated as conditions of approval.

#### Response to MCINTOSH-4

The commenter notes that California is in a drought and questions the amount of water use during construction.

The comment sets forth a personal opinion on the merits of the proposed project but does not raise any specific significant environmental issues. The commenter's opinion is noted and will be included in the administrative record for consideration by the City decision-makers. No further response is required.

For informational purposes, the following is provided. Section 3.16 of the Draft EIR contains the water impact analysis required under CEQA (see, e.g., Impacts UTIL-1, UTIL-2, MM UTIL-1a). In connection therewith and pursuant to SB 610, a Water Supply Assessment (WSA), consistent with the City's recently adopted 2020 Urban Water Management Plan (UWMP), was prepared for the proposed project (Appendix K of the Draft EIR). The WSA evaluates the adequacy of the total project water supplies of the City (as the water purveyor to the proposed project), including existing water supplies and future planned water supplies, to meet the City's existing and projected future water demands, including those future water demands associated with the proposed project, under all hydrological conditions (Normal Years, Single Dry Years, and Multiple Dry Years). As detailed more fully therein, sufficient water supplies are available to serve the proposed project, as well as other

existing and reasonably foreseeable future uses, during normal, dry, and multiple dry year scenarios with reliance on existing and additional supplies from future planned projects, including Aquifer Storage and Recovery Program Expansion, Recycled Water Distribution Network and Exchange Program for additional Central Valley Project water supplies, and recycled water distribution for non-potable use. The Draft EIR also considered construction-related impacts on water supply. Construction of the proposed project would result in a relatively nominal amount of water use for dust control, mixing concrete, washing equipment and vehicles, and other activities, such as personal consumption. Because construction would require a minimal, limited quantity of water, it is reasonable to conclude that the City would have adequate water supply capacity to serve construction demands in addition to its other existing commitments, and new or expanded entitlements would not be necessary. Therefore, construction impacts in this regard would be less than significant.

## Response to MCINTOSH-5

The commenter states that the City should consider the issues reflected in the comment letter, and states an opinion that such issues outnumber any benefits of the proposed project.

The comment sets forth a personal opinion on the merits of the proposed project but does not raise any specific significant environmental issues. The commenter's opinion is noted and will be included in the administrative record for consideration by the City decision-makers. No further response is required.

# Comments provided at public hearing held May 25, 2022

## **MCINTOSH-2**

## Response to MCINTOSH-2-1

The commenter resides on California Avenue and expressed concern about project impacts such as air pollution, light, traffic, and loss of farmland. The commenter noted that the Draft EIR is very large and that there did not seem to be enough time to allow for review. The commenter also noted that there is a school very close to the project site, and that many properties already exist for industrial warehouses. The commenter stated that there are many Tesla and Amazon (industrial) jobs nearby, and does not think there is a need for more jobs. The commenter is concerned about farmland impacts.

The comments are noted and acknowledged. To the extent the commenter is expressing an opinion on the merits of the proposed project, the comment will be noted and included in the administrative record for consideration by the City's decision-makers.

The City published a Notice of Availability/Notice of Completion of the Draft EIR on April 20, 2022. The 45-day public comment period extended from April 20, 2022 to June 3, 2022. In addition, although not required to do so under the law, the City accepted late comment letters, including one submitted more than two months after the close of the comment period the commenter, and responded to those comments. (See Responses to MCINTOSH-3-1 through MCINTOSH 3-5.)

The Draft EIR included a careful analysis of the proposed project's potential effects related to Air Quality (Section 3.3, Air Quality), Light pollution (Section 3.1, Aesthetics), traffic (Section 3.14,

Transportation), and farmland (Section 3.2, Agricultural Resources). Chapter ES, Executive Summary, provides an abbreviated summary of all of the potential impacts of the proposed project along with the recommended mitigation measures.

Regarding air quality, as discussed in Section 3.3, Air Quality, of the Draft EIR, the proposed project would incorporate technically and financially feasible mitigation measures to reduce emissions generated during project operation. In addition, MM AIR-1e, MM AIR-1f, MM AIR-1g, MM AIR-1h, and MM AIR-1i have been added to the Draft EIR and would result in additional emission reductions during project operation beyond what was identified in the Draft EIR. Nonetheless, the quantified emission reductions from these new mitigation measures cannot be identified with certainty at this time. Therefore, the impact conclusions of Section 3.3, Air Quality, of the Draft EIR remain appropriate under CEQA.

Regarding light pollution, as discussed in Section 3.1, Aesthetics, of the Draft EIR, light and glare during the construction phase would be temporary and limited to the duration of construction. The proposed project would be required to comply with Section 4.12.820 of the Municipal Code, which limits construction activities to the 7:00 a.m. and 10:00 p.m. on weekdays or between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 10:00 p.m. on weekends and federal holidays.

The Draft EIR discloses that the proposed project would increase the amount of light and glare on the project site. However, the light fixtures used for the proposed project would be required to meet all applicable standards pursuant to the latest adopted edition of the California Building Code and all applicable development standards and design guidelines provided in the NEI Specific Plan to reduce daytime glare and nighttime lighting.

Any window glare would be partially obscured by landscaping. Glare may also occur from on-site vehicles; however, such glare would be transient. Because of the proposed project's location adjacent to other existing urban development, the proposed project would not be adding significant nighttime lighting or glare in an area with no existing lighting impacts. As such and as detailed more fully in Section 3.1, Aesthetics, of the Draft EIR, project impacts related to light and glare were found to be less than significant.

Regarding transportation, the Draft EIR contains a detailed analysis of the proposed project's potential transportation-related impacts and identified feasible mitigation measures. As discussed therein, the proposed project is anticipated to add approximately 96 passenger cars during the morning peak-hour and approximately 142 passenger cars during the evening peak-hour along Grant Line Road through Banta. All trucks would be directed to use the existing or future truck route to the west of the proposed project and not east on Grant Line Road. Furthermore, the City has agreed to adopt and the applicants have agreed to implement MM AIR-1e, which would require that trucks accessing the project site be prohibited from using Grant Line Road east of the project site. See Section 3, Errata. Nevertheless and although not required as mitigation for any identified impact, in an effort to further address concerns about truck traffic through the Banta community, the project applicants are willing to voluntarily implement signage along project frontage on Grant Line Road to deter trucks from traveling on Grant Line Road east of the project site, and voluntarily implement routine communications between property managers and tenants to ensure tenant understanding

that trucks accessing the project site are prohibited from using Grant Line Road east of the project site. These measures will be incorporated as conditions of approval. Finally, the City of Tracy is currently implementing STAA truck routes in the NEI Specific Plan area that connect to the I-205 and MacArthur Interchange. The City of Tracy is actively coordinating with the SJCOG and the County of San Joaquin on truck route planning.

Regarding loss of farmland, the Draft EIR contains a detailed analysis of the proposed project's potential impacts to agricultural resources as well as identified mitigation measures. As discussed therein, conversion of the project site to industrial use has long been envisioned by the City as part of buildout under the General Plan and evaluated and disclosed under the General Plan EIR; this is reflected in the project site's existing Industrial General Plan land use designation. Nevertheless, for purposes of a comprehensive conservative analysis, the Draft EIR acknowledged that the proposed project would result in the loss of Important Farmland as a result of its conversion of Prime Farmland to urban uses. On June 7, 2005, the City Council adopted Chapter 13.28 Agricultural Mitigation Fee to its Municipal Code. In addition, the City Council adopted a resolution approving the Central Valley Farmland Trust as a qualifying agency to receive funds for purposes of preserving identified areas of Important Farmland. This program serves as mitigation to the extent feasible for the conversion of Prime Farmland. In accordance with Chapter 13.28 of the Municipal Code, Agricultural Mitigation Fee, the developers of the Suvik Farms, Zuriakat, and Tracy Alliance parcels would each be required to pay applicable Agricultural Mitigation fees in connection with individual development proposals as implemented by MM AG-1. In addition, the proposed project would be required to comply with applicable provisions of the SJMSCP. Even with the payment of City mitigation fees and adherence to the SJMSCP, the proposed project would result in significant and unavoidable impacts related to the conversion of Farmland as identified by the FMMP mapping to nonagricultural use, since the foregoing would not fully avoid the impacts of this conversion (Draft EIR, Page 3.2-8-9).

### **Late Comments**

Under CEQA Guidelines Section 15105, the City of Tracy was legally required to provide a 45-day public review period on the Draft EIR. The public comment period for the Draft EIR began on April 20, 2022, and ended on June 3, 2022. All comment letters received after expiration of the public review and comment period ending on June 3, 2022 are considered late comments.

A lead agency is required to consider comments on the Draft EIR and to prepare written responses if a comment is received within the public comment period (PRC § 21091(d); CEQA Guidelines § 15088). When a comment letter is received after the close of the public comment period; however, a lead agency does not have an obligation to respond (PRC § 21091(d)(1); PRC § 21092.5(c)). Accordingly, the City of Tracy is not required to provide a written response to late comment letters, including the letter from Advocates for the Environment received on August 16, 2022, and the letter from Genna McIntosh on August 29, 2022 (See CEQA Guidelines § 15088(a)).

Accordingly, the following comment letters are considered late letters that do not require a written response. Nonetheless, for information purposes, the City of Tracy has elected to respond to these late letters, but without waiving its position that written responses to late comment letters are not required by law.

August 16, 2022

# **Advocates for the Environment**

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re: Comments on Tracy Alliance Project, SCH Number 2020080524

### Dear Ms. Lombardo:

Advocates for the Environment submits the comments in this letter regarding the Draft Environmental Impact Report (**DEIR**) for the proposed Comments on Tracy Alliance Project (**Project**). The Project site is located on undeveloped prime farmland, but it is zoned for industrial development and located at the northeast corner of Grant Line Road and Paradise Road. The site is within unincorporated San Joaquin County, adjacent to the northeastern city limits and within the City of Tracy's Sphere of Influence (**SOI**). The project site is directly east of the City's NEI Specific Plan boundary. The site is bound by I-205 to the north, California Avenue to the northeast, Grant Line Road to the south, and Paradise Road to the west. The Project proposes to construct up to 3,352,320 square feet of warehouse and distribution and related uses on a total of approximately 191.18 acres, 98% of which would be converted farmland.<sup>1</sup>

Advocates for the Environment is a public interest law firm and advocacy organization with the mission to educate the public about the law as it pertains to the environment and provide legal services in support of environmental causes. Therefore, it is within the scope of Advocates for the Environment's mission to provide comments on the development of this project, especially because the DEIR reflects potential issues of non-compliance with CEQA.

## **Greenhouse Gases**

The Project anticipates employing 1,871 people and creating operational emissions of 19,672 MTCO2e annually, starting in the year 2030.<sup>2</sup> The DEIR quantified greenhouse gas (**GHG**) emissions in three phases, corresponding to the three Phases of the Project

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 $<sup>^{1}</sup>$  188 acres of farmland  $\div$ 191.18 acres of Project = 0.9834 = approximately 98%

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Total Emissions Estimates taken from DEIR P. 3.8-43 to 3.8-45

<sup>10,962</sup> MTCO2e (Phase 1) + 5,964 MTCO2e (Phase 2) + 2,746 MTCO2e (Phase 3) = 19,672 MTCO2e

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development. Phase 1 is planned to start in 2023 and contribute to 10,962 MTCO2e; Phase 2 in 2024 with 5,964 MTCO2e; and Phase 3 in 2025 with 2,746 MTCO2e.

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## The City Should Require the Project to be Net-Zero

Greenhouse gas emissions from buildings, including indirect emissions from offsite generation of electricity, direct emissions produced onsite, and from construction with cement and steel, amounted to 21% of global GHG emissions in 2019. (IPCC Sixth Assessment Report, Climate Change 2022, WGIII, Mitigation of Climate Change, p. 9-4.) This is a very large portion of global GHG emissions. It is much less expensive to construct new building projects to be net-zero than to obtain the same level of GHG reductions by retrofitting older buildings. Climate damages will keep increasing until we reach net zero GHG emissions, and there is a California state policy requiring the state to be net-zero by 2045. It therefore makes no sense to construct new buildings that are not net-zero.

Two of the largest mixed-use development projects in the history of California, Newhall Ranch (now FivePoint Valencia), and Centennial (part of Tejon Ranch) decided, after environmental groups sued and won under CEQA, to move forward as net-zero communities. This proves it is feasible. The Applicant for this project should do the same. We urge the City to adopt net-zero as the GHG significance threshold for this project, and require full fair-share litigation. The CARB 2017 Scoping Plan states that "achieving no net additional increase in GHG emissions, resulting in no contribution to GHG impacts, is an appropriate overall objective for new development." (p. 101.)

Moving this Project forward as a net-zero project would be the right thing for the City to do, and would also protect the City and the Applicant from CEQA GHG litigation.

# The EIR's GHG Analysis

The City analyzed GHG significance using the Appendix G guidelines as the thresholds, determining, under the first threshold, that the Project would not contribute to any significant direct or indirect GHG emissions, given 43.3 to 44 percent reduction from business as usual. Analyzing consistency with the 2008 and 2017 Scoping Plans under the second threshold, the DEIR concluded that the Project would not conflict with any applicable GHG-reduction plan, policy, or regulation. As discussed below, both these conclusions are unsupported by substantial evidence.

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# Significance Finding Violates Newhall

In analyzing the Project's GHG impacts under the first threshold, the DEIR made no attempt to reconcile the percent reduction below business-as-usual (BAU) with Statewide goals. Simply allowing a margin for error, and nothing more, is not sufficient to be compliant

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with the holding in Center for Biological Diversity v. Dept. of Fish and Wildlife (2015) 62 Cal.4th 204 (Newhall), which held that, when using a reduction from BAU as a significance threshold, lead agencies must affirmatively provide some demonstration that the reduction is consistent with the required statewide reductions, not just that it is "likely" to be consistent, as the DEIR suggests. In fact, the DEIR suffers the same problem as in Newhall, which is that despite making a demonstration of adherence to the 40% reduction goal, there was no substantial evidence to support the claim that the statewide emissions goal of 40% would necessarily translate to the equivalent goal in the local regime.

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## **Inconsistent with Applicable Plans**

The DEIR incorrectly assumes that the only applicable plans, policies, and regulations are the CARB Scoping Plans. The Project is not only inconsistent with the 2017 Scoping Plan, but also conflicts with other applicable plans, policies, and regulations adopted for the purposes of reducing GHGs.

The EIR's analysis of consistency with the 2017 CARB Scoping Plan is highly flawed. The threshold used in the analysis appears to be 22% below BAU. (EIR p. 3.8-34.) The BAU is the 2017 CARB Scoping Plan is called the "Reference Scenario" and represents "what GHG emissions look like if we did nothing beyond the existing policies that are required and already in place to achieve the 2020 limit. BAU includes the existing renewables requirements, advanced clean cars, the 10 percent reduction in carbon intensity Low Carbon Fuel Standard, and the SB 375 program for sustainable communities, among others." BAU thus represents the emissions path that would occur of no new regulations were adopted after 2017. But the EIR for this Project uses a contrived BAU, apparently based on 2005 levels and the 2008 CARB Scoping Plan. Since the 2008 Scoping Plan was developed to implement AB 32, which required emissions to be reduced to 1990 levels by 2020, and that goal has been achieved, it is irrelevant to GHG analysis now. The Project must be consistent with the 2017 CARB Scoping Plan, not the 2008 CARB Scoping Plan, and a contrived BAU based on 2005 levels is not appropriate for that analysis. The portion of the EIR analyzing consistency with SB 32 and the CARB 2017 Scoping Plan should be rewritten to use the correct BAU baseline. The Project is also inconsistent with the CARB 2017 Scoping Plan in several other ways.

First, the Project would be inconsistent with the emissions targets laid out by the 2017 CARB Scoping Plan, including annual emissions of 6 MTCO2e/capita by 2030, and 2 MTCO2e/capita by 2050 (CARB Scoping Plan, p. 99). Here, the Project anticipates 1,871 employees, resulting in per-capita emissions of about 10.51 MTCO2e/capita each operating year.<sup>3</sup> As this is nearly double the 2030 goal of 6 MTCO2e/capita, there is an inconsistency.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> 19,672 MTCO2e ÷ 1,871 people = 10.51 MTCO2e/capita

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Second, the GHG significance analysis compared the Project with AB32 and the CARB 2008 Scoping Plan, but these policies cannot be applicable because the AB32 goal was for 2020 and it has already passed; the goal has been achieved, so that policy is irrelevant. Likewise, the San Joaquin Valley Air District Climate Change Action Plan (CCAP) is not applicable to the project, because the goals have been achieved.

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Third, for the Project's impacts to be insignificant, the Project must be consistent with B-55-18, because it is an applicable policy which aims to achieve carbon neutrality by 2045. As this Project requires industrial storage and transportation using large vehicles, with no plans of reducing or offsetting emissions to zero by 2045, the Project is inconsistent with B-55-18.

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Since the Project is inconsistent with applicable policies to reduce GHG emissions, its GHG impacts are significant.

# Fair Share Mitigation

The Project's GHG emissions are significant and, because those emissions must be analyzed as a cumulative impact, the heightened requirement of "fair share" mitigation applies. (Napa Citizens for Honest Gov't v. Napa County Board of Supervisors (2001) 91 Cal.App.4th 342, 364.) For this Project, the fair share is the entirety of the Project's emissions. The City must

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Because the DEIR concluded that the Project will have less-than-significant GHG impacts, no mitigation measures were identified. Yet, once the analysis is updated according to the above comments, the agency will need to analyze all feasible mitigation to reduce to the fair share level.

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Here are some ideas for feasible mitigation measures for GHG emissions: install solar panels on the entire available roof space, prohibit natural-gas appliances, install energy-efficient lighting and temperature controls, require zero-emission vehicles, purchase offsets or sponsor local-energy projects, and utilize low-GHG construction materials. There are many more options for feasible mitigation to reduce the Project's significant GHG impact.

## **CalEEMod Deficiencies**

The criteria air pollutant and GHG emissions generated by the operational land uses on the Project site were estimated using the California Emissions Estimator Model (CalEEMod). CalEEMod provides recommended default values based on site specific information, such as land use type, meteorological data, total lot acreage, project type, and typical equipment associated with a particular project type. If more specific project information is known, the user can change the default values and input project-specific values, but CEQA requires that such changes be justified by substantial evidence.

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Here, the population parameter is not supported by substantial evidence. Although the Project intends to employ 1,871 people on the premises, the inputs indicate a population size of zero for all CalEEMod runs. CalEEMod should be re-run to reflect an accurate population size for the project.

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Additionally, certain runs changed the default land use parameters to zero. For example, Phase 3 changed from the default of 422,967.60 square feet to a user-inputted value of 0 square feet. This parameter is not supported by substantial evidence, because the Project to be built on the Zuriakat Parcel is predicted to use 479,160 square feet of space. The model should be rerun to reflect the accurate square footage of Phase 3.

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And the Project-associated vehicle miles traveled (VMT) as analyzed in the DEIR is not accurately reflected in the CalEEMod parameters. The DEIR indicated a VMT of 16.9 per employee, which amounts to 11,541,263.5 annual miles of vehicle travel associated with the Project.<sup>5</sup> However, CalEEMod Trip Summary Information (4.2), indicates that the total VMT for all three phases amounts to 7,343,938 annual miles, or an average of 10.75 per employee.<sup>6</sup> This is roughly 36% less VMT than indicated in the DEIR, and no justification has been made regarding the CalEEMod parameters. Therefore, this estimate lacks substantial evidence and contributes to an underestimation of GHG significance due to the resulting reduced quantification of emissions.

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Additionally, the various assumptions, user-inputted values, and modifications in the CalEEMod simulation should be explained such that a decision-makers and the public can adequately assess the environmental impact, because without such analysis, the CalEEMod summaries are confusing and misleading.

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# **Air Quality Significance Analysis**

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The DEIR concluded that the Project may have potentially significant air-quality impacts, and identifies four mitigation measures. The EIR states that the Project may have significant and unavoidable air quality impacts even after mitigation, because there are no guarantees that the identified air quality mitigation measures will be implemented due to technical or financial feasibility (DEIR ES-4). But these are not the only feasible mitigation measures, so the conclusion that the air quality impact would be unavoidable is without merit. There are several mitigation strategies, in addition to the ones proposed, that could ensure air quality emissions reductions regarding the Project operations, which the lead agency should consider adopting as part of its mitigation efforts to reduce air quality significance.

 $<sup>^{5}</sup>$  16.9 × 1,871 employees × 365 days = 11,541,263.5 annual miles

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> 2,483,351 (Phase 1) + 2,510,413 (Phase 2) + 2,350,174 (Phase 3) = 7,343,944 annual VMT

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First, the Project could require that any machinery (including but not limited to: forklifts, dock equipment, conveyors, and carousels) to be used during the operation of the Project is powered by rechargeable battery or otherwise powered by electricity. Second, the Project could encourage future tenants to adopt incentives for carpools and alternative transportation such as public transport, bicycling, and zero emission vehicles, to reduce the amount of vehicle trips per person, and likewise reduce the associated air quality pollutants that are emitted by conventional vehicles. Third, the Project could require and enforce a strict no-idling policy on the premises. Fourth, the Project could require future tenants' vehicle fleet to be maintained with zero-emission or hybrid vehicles to the extent feasible, as zero-emission and hybrid heavy-duty vehicles and semi-trucks are already available for consumer purchase and use.

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The DEIR also contemplates a scenario in which all three project phases were constructed concurrently, in which case the impact would exceed significant levels even with all mitigation incorporated (DEIR ES-4). Therefore, to avoid this consequence, one mitigation measure could be the implementation of a plan which specifically precludes the development of multiple project phases simultaneously.

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## **Agriculture Resources**

The City adopted Appendix G guidelines to determine whether agricultural and forestry impact was significant. Threshold a asks whether the Project would Convert Prime Farmland, Unique Farmland, or Farmland of Statewide Importance (Farmland) as shown on the maps prepared pursuant to the Farmland Mapping and Monitoring Program of the California Resources Agency, to non-agricultural use. Threshold b asks whether the Project would conflict with existing zoning for agricultural use or a Williamson Act Contract. The DEIR concluded significant unavoidable impact as to agricultural resources, based on significant impact under Threshold a, despite a finding of insignificance as to Threshold b. This analysis is inaccurate because the Project would be significant under Threshold b, and there are feasible mitigation strategies beyond those identified to reduce the significant impact of conversion of agricultural land.

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## **Inconsistent with the Williamson Act Contract**

The EIR concluded the Project would have a less than significant impact under Threshold b, although Agricultural and Forestry Resources in its entirety was deemed to have a significant and unavoidable impact. 46.61 acres of land located on the three Suvik Farms parcels are currently under Williamson Act contracts (DEIR p. 3.2-3). In 2017, Suvik Farms landowners initiated a Notice of Nonrenewal for the contract, beginning a nine-year process to formally expire the contract. Based on the date of the Notice of Nonrenewal, the contract will expire on August 21, 2026 (DEIR 3.2-10). Yet, "since the contract term automatically renews

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annually, the actual term is essentially indefinite" (DEIR p. 3.2-2). The DEIR made no showing that the process for expiring the contract guarantees that the contract will expire in 2026.

Even if it will expire in 2026, the Project anticipates that the Suvik parcels will be developed before the term is set to expire: "Phase 2 is the Suvik Farms parcels, with construction assumed to occur in 2023 through 2024 and operation assumed to begin in 2024." (DEIR 3.8-35). The Williamson Act Contract provides that the covered land is not to be used for non-agricultural purposes for "the duration of the contract" (Gov. Code Section 51243 (a).) Further, the existing contract remains in effect for the entire period after the notice of intent to not renew (Gov. Code Section 51246 (a).) Thus, if the plan to develop the Suvik Farms parcels is carried out before the Williamson Act contract expiration date, it would amount to a material breach of the Williamson Act Contract pursuant to Gov. Code Section 51250.

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The lead agency argues that the applicant can avoid such a breach by requesting cancellation of the contract if they are to build it before the contract ends; but the cancellation of a Williamson Act contract is inconsistent with the Williamson Act if the "objectives to be served by cancellation should have been predicted and served by nonrenewal at an earlier time" (Sierra Club v. City of Hayward (1981) 28 Cal. 3d 840, 855.) This is the precise situation here, because the objectives served by cancellation (i.e., the development of projects such as this one), was anticipated in 2017, which is when the landowners initiated a Notice of Nonrenewal for the Suvik Farms Williamson Act Contract. Therefore, it is not appropriate here for an applicant to request cancellation of contract simply because they want to develop the land before the contractual term is scheduled to end. Therefore, the Project, if carried out as set forth in the EIR, would violate the Williamson Act and therefore be inconsistent with it, demonstrating significant impact under Threshold b.

# Mitigation to Reduce Agricultural Impact to Less Than Significant

There are three mitigation strategies that could reduce the significance of agricultural impact. First, the Project should modify its plans so that Phase 2 (involving the development of the Suvik Farms parcels) is not initiated until after the Williamson Act contract expires. Second, in addition to the proposed agricultural mitigation fee program, the Project could develop a plan to restore agricultural land after the lifespan of the Project, which was upheld as a valid mitigation measure (e.g., King & Gardiner Farms, LLC v. County of Kern (2020) 45 Cal.App.5th 814, 876.) Third, the Project could limit the size of the warehouse to reduce the amount of conversion of agricultural land.

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# **Inadequate Discussion of Alternatives**

To be compliant with CEQA, "the EIR shall include sufficient information about each alternative to allow meaningful evaluation, analysis, and comparison with the proposed project."

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(CEQA Guidelines § 15126.6 (c)). Here the City discussed two alternatives, the No Project Alternative and the Agricultural Protection Alternative, which proposes preserving 11 acres of farmland. Here, the range of alternatives is unreasonable, and there are several suggestions for alternatives to analyze.

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## Range of Alternatives Is Unreasonable

The DEIR did not include a reasonable range of feasible alternatives. (See Laurel Heights Improvement Assn. v. Regents of Univ. of California (1988) 47 Cal. 3d 376, 407; CEQA Guidelines § 15126.6(a)). The standard for determining reasonability is "whether the alternatives discussion encourages informed decision-making and public participation" (Cal. Oak Found. v. Regents of Univ. of Cal. (2010) 188 Cal.App.4th 227, 276).

The DEIR contemplated two project alternatives, including a "No Project Alternative" and an "Agricultural Protection Alternative," would result in protecting 11 acres of prime agricultural land. This is insufficient because there are other feasible alternatives that would be able to achieve certain project goals while also reducing the impact on the environment. Particularly, several unique resources exist on the site which are identified but not accounted for to the feasible extent in the range of alternatives, including wetland habitat and prime farmland, discussed below.

### **Wetland Preservation Alternative**

There is a 0.07 acre ditch wetland/cattail marsh that supports Northern Pacific tree frogs. The alternatives discussion should include an alternative that aims to preserve wetland and riparian habitat, to the extent feasible. Most project objectives could still be met in an alternative that aimed to achieve habitat preservation goals or otherwise avoided to develop on the wetland portions of the Project site. Not only would this reduce biological impact, potentially below significant impact, it could also reduce GHG impact because healthy wetlands have the ability to sequester GHGs.

#### **Farmland Preservation Alternative**

The Project would result in the loss of 188 acres of Prime Farmland. The DEIR concluded that this was a significant and unavoidable impact, but this does not necessarily mean that an alternative is infeasible. Given this unique environmental resource, and the vast extent of Prime Farmland on the Project Site, it would be reasonable and feasible to have more than one alternative that accounts for the loss of farmland, especially because the only alternative proposed, Agricultural Protection Alternative, only sets aside about 5% of farmland. The Outside Storage Allowable Use Alternative was deemed infeasible but this infeasibility determination lacks substantial evidence because it would be reasonable to analyze another

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Farmland Preservation Alternative which could propose to reserve more farmland, perhaps by reducing the Project size, to ensure that the Project is contributing to California's long-term agricultural production and soil health stability, as well as consistency with the General Plan's goal of preserving and protecting significant agricultural resources.

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## **Conclusion**

To conclude, the DEIR should be updated to reflect a finding of significant GHG impact, and mitigated to the "fair share" extent (Napa Citizens for Honest Gov't v. Napa County Board of Supervisors (2001) 91 Cal.App.4th 342, 364). Please put Advocates for the Environment on the list of interested parties to receive updates about the progress of this potential project approval.

Sincerely,

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### Organization

### Advocates for the Environment (AENV)

Response to AENV-1

This comment summarizes the proposed project and provides introductory statements.

The comment is noted and acknowledged. The commenter does not raise any project-specific issues related to CEQA, and therefore no further response is required.

#### Response to AENV-2

This comment describes the proposed project's estimated employees and amount of GHGs that would be generated.

The comment is noted and acknowledged. The commenter does not raise any project-specific issues related to CEQA, and therefore no further response is required.

#### Response to AENV-3

This comment describes the benefits of net-zero construction and states that the proposed project should be built to result in net-zero GHG emissions. The commenter cites two Southern California projects that have purportedly implemented "net-zero communities" as a basis for the commenter's claim of feasibility.

The comment is noted and acknowledged. The commenter does not question the GHG impact analysis or less than significant conclusions referenced in its comment letter. The City is not permitted under CEQA to impose mitigation measures or require applicants to incorporate project design features for impacts that have been determined to be less than significant. Chapter 2, Project Description, of the Draft EIR sets forth a detailed description of the proposed project. Imposing an obligation to be "net-zero" would not be permitted under the law. Therefore, no further response is required.

For informational purposes, the following is noted. Section 3.8, Greenhouse Gas Emissions, of the Draft EIR robustly evaluates the proposed project's GHG impacts, both from a quantitative and qualitative perspective. Section 3.8.4 describes the significance criteria, assumptions and methodologies used by the City, in its discretion, to conduct this impact analysis. CEQA does not require the City to utilize achieving net-zero GHG emissions as a significance threshold to evaluate the proposed project. Moreover, as described in the ARB 2017 Scoping Plan, "achieving net-zero increases in GHG emissions, resulting in no contribution to GHG impacts, may not be feasible or appropriate for every project, however, and the inability of a project to mitigate its GHG emissions to net-zero does not imply the project results in a substantial contribution to the cumulatively significant environmental impact of climate change under CEQA. Lead agencies have the discretion to develop evidence-based numeric thresholds (mass emissions, per capita, or per service population) consistent with this Scoping Plan, the State's long-term GHG goals, and climate change science."

As discussed in Section 3.6 Greenhouse Gas Emissions, under CEQA and as held in the California Supreme Court's decision in *Center for Biological Diversity v. California Department of Fish and Wildlife*, GHG impacts would be considered significant if the proposed project would:

- Conflict with a compliant GHG Reduction Plan if adopted by the lead agency;
- Exceed the San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District (Valley Air District) GHG Reduction Threshold; or
- Conflict with an applicable plan, policy or regulation adopted for the purpose of reducing the emission of GHGs.

These thresholds are consistent with the Appendix G Environmental Checklist questions of the CEQA Guidelines. The City of Tracy does not currently have a formal GHG emissions reduction plan or recommended emissions thresholds for determining significance associated with GHG emissions from development projects. Therefore, the Draft EIR used the most appropriate thresholds to evaluate GHG impacts as determined by the City in its discretion. No revisions to the Draft EIR are required.

#### Response to AENV-4

This comment states the Draft EIR's significance determination related to GHGs and that these conclusions are not supported by substantial evidence. This comment states that the Draft EIR did not analyze the proposed project's GHG emissions against the percent reduction below BAU consistent with Statewide goals. This comment further states that the Draft EIR did not provide substantial evidence that the Statewide emissions goal of 40 percent would translate to the equivalent local goal.

As discussed in Section 3.6 Greenhouse Gas Emissions, under CEQA and as held in the California Supreme Court's decision in *Center for Biological Diversity v. California Department of Fish and Wildlife* (the "Newhall Ranch" decision) GHG impacts would be considered significant if the proposed project would:

- Conflict with a compliant GHG Reduction Plan if adopted by the lead agency;
- Exceed the San Joaquin Air Pollution Control District (Valley Air District) GHG Reduction Threshold; or
- Conflict with an applicable plan, policy or regulation adopted for the purpose of reducing the emission of GHGs.

These thresholds are consistent with the Appendix G Environmental Checklist questions of the CEQA Guidelines. The City of Tracy does not currently have a formal GHG emissions reduction plan or recommended emissions thresholds for determining significance associated with GHG emissions from development projects. Therefore, the first impact criterion, "conflict with a compliant GHG Reduction Plan if adopted by the lead agency," cannot be applied to the proposed project. Moreover, the other two impact criteria presented closely align with the two Appendix G Environmental Checklist questions for GHG emissions. Therefore, the City, in its discretion and consistent with the

*Newhall Ranch* decision, is utilizing Appendix G of the State CEQA Guidelines as thresholds for the proposed project.

The City of Tracy has not adopted its own GHG thresholds or prepared a Climate Action Plan that can be used as a basis for determining project significance, although it has adopted a Sustainability Action Plan, which is a non-qualifying GHG Reduction Plan. The Valley Air District Guidance for Valley Land use Agencies in Addressing GHG Emission Impacts for New Projects under CEQA includes thresholds based on whether the project would reduce or mitigate GHG levels by 29 percent from BAU levels compared with 2005 levels. This level of GHG reduction is based on the target established by ARB's AB 32 Scoping Plan, approved in 2008.

Consistent with the *Newhall Ranch* court decision and as further detailed in the robust analysis set forth in Section 3.8, Greenhouse Gas Emissions, a project BAU analysis based on substantial evidence in the record was prepared for the proposed project, which assesses "consistency with AB 32's goal in whole or part by looking to compliance with regulatory programs designed to reduce greenhouse gas emissions from particular activities." Therefore, the Draft EIR evaluated project GHG emissions against an appropriate threshold that also evaluates consistency with Statewide GHG emissions reduction goals. No revisions to the Draft EIR are required.

## Response to AENV-5

This comment states that the Draft EIR did not analyze consistency with the correct applicable plans, policies, and regulations related to GHG emissions, and in addition it criticizes the analysis with the 2017 ARB Scoping Plan as being flawed. The comment also states that the Draft EIR used an incorrect threshold of 22 percent below BAU, consistent with the 2008 ARB Scoping Plan, which the commenter states is incorrect and instead the Draft EIR should have utilized the 2017 ARB Scoping Plan.

See Response to AENV-4. As explained in more detail in Section 3.8, Greenhouse Gas Emissions, of the Draft EIR, the proposed project is expected to become operational in phases beginning in 2023 and assumes full buildout in 2025, which is beyond the AB 32 target year. As a result, until a new threshold is identified for projects constructed after-2020, the only threshold to address significance is based on making continued progress toward the SB 32 2030 goal.

As discussed more fully in Section 3.8, Greenhouse Gas Emissions, the Valley Air District "Guidance for Valley Land use Agencies in Addressing GHG Emission Impacts for New Projects under CEQA," includes thresholds based on whether the project will reduce or mitigate GHG levels by 29 percent from BAU levels compared with 2005 levels. This level of GHG reduction is based on the target established by ARB's AB 32 Scoping Plan, which was approved in 2008. The ARB recognizes that AB 32 establishes an emissions reduction trajectory that will allow California to achieve the more stringent 2050 target: "These [greenhouse gas emission reduction] measures also put the State on a path to meet the long-term 2050 goal of reducing California's GHG emissions to 80 percent below 1990 levels." The Valley Air District guidance recommends using emissions in 2002–2004 in the baseline scenario to represent conditions—as if regulations had not been adopted—to allow the effect of projected growth on achieving reduction targets to be clearly defined. Thus, the BAU scenario is based on 2005 levels.

The Draft EIR analyzed the proposed project's consistency with SB 32 and the 2017 ARB Scoping Plan as described in the impact analysis for Impact GHG-1 and GHG-2. As described in Impact GHG-2, Executive Order B-30-15 establishes an interim goal to reduce GHG emissions to 40 percent below 1990 levels by 2030. The 2030 goal was codified under SB 32 and is now addressed by the 2017 Scoping Plan Update.

With respect to the 21.7 percent reduction threshold referenced by the commenter, as explained more fully in Section 3.8.4, the 2010 Cap and Trade Inventory Update provided revised inventory projections to reflect slower growth in emissions during the recession and lower future year projections. The State's 2020 BAU inventory was reduced from 596 million metric tons (MMT) carbon dioxide equivalent ( $CO_2e$ ) to 545 MMT  $CO_2e$ . The new GHG reduction level for the State to reach 1990 emission levels by 2020 is 21.7 percent from BAU in 2020. The First Update to the Climate Change Scoping Plan confirmed that the State is on track to achieve the 2020 target and to maintain and continue reductions beyond 2020 as required by AB 32. In addition, the State has reported that the 2016 greenhouse gas inventory was below the 2020 target for the first time. Furthermore, the 2017 Scoping Plan states that California is on track to achieve the 2020 target.

In summary, the project analysis also addresses consistency with the SB 32 targets and the 2017 Scoping Plan Update with an assessment of the project's reduction from BAU levels based on emissions in 2030 compared with the 21.7 percent reduction. The Valley Air District's *Guidance for Valley Land use Agencies in Addressing GHG Emission Impacts for New Projects under CEQA* includes thresholds based on whether the project will reduce or mitigate GHG levels by 29 percent from BAU levels compared with 2005 levels.

In conclusion, each of the project phases would achieve reductions beyond the ARB 2020 21.7 percent target and the Valley Air District 29 percent reduction from BAU requirements from adopted regulations in their respective operational years. The emission estimates presented in Table 3.8-9 through 3.8-11 demonstrate that the proposed project would achieve greater reductions than the Valley Air District-established threshold of 29 percent, resulting in annual reductions ranging from 43.3 to 44 percent. Based on this progress and the 2017 Scoping Plan Update, it is reasonable to conclude that the proposed project would be consistent with the 2017 Scoping Plan and would make a reasonable fair share contribution to achieving the 2030 target. Furthermore, Table 3.8-12 describes how the proposed project would be consistent with the 2017 Scoping Plan Update measures. The GHG analysis in the Draft EIR complies with CEQA, and therefore no revisions are required.

#### Response to AENV-6

This comment states that the Draft EIR should use the 2017 ARB Scoping Plan threshold of 6 metric tons of carbon dioxide equivalent (MT  $CO_2e$ )/capita by 2030 and 2 MT  $CO_2e$ /capita by 2050. The comment states that the proposed project would result in an estimate 10.51 MT  $CO_2e$ /capita each operating year and would conflict with the 2017 ARB Scoping Plan.

The thresholds that the commenter is suggesting are intended for Plan-level Greenhouse Gas Emissions reduction goals, such as a Climate Action Plan, not project-specific thresholds. As such, this threshold would not apply to the proposed project. See Responses to AENV-4 and AEVN-5 for

additional discussion as to the methodologies used in, and the adequacy of, the GHG impact analysis.

#### Response to AENV-7

This comment states that the Draft EIR incorrectly compared the project with AB 32, the 2008 Scoping Plan, and the San Joaquin Valley Air District Climate Change Action Plan, because the goals of these policies have already been achieved.

As described in Section 3.8, Greenhouse Gas Emissions, since no other local or regional Climate Action Plan is in place, the proposed project is assessed for its consistency with ARB's adopted Scoping Plans: the 2008 Scoping Plan and the 2017 Scoping Plan Update. In addition, See Responses to AENV-4 and AENV-5.

#### Response to AENV-8

This comment states that the proposed project would not be consistent with B-55-18 because the proposed project would not plan to reduce or offset emissions to zero by 2045 and impacts would be significant.

As described in Response to AENV-3, CEQA does not require an evaluation of impacts against a threshold that requires net-zero GHG emissions. The Draft EIR evaluated GHG impacts against the appropriate threshold as required by CEQA. See Responses to AENV-4 and AENV-5. Moreover, as detailed in Section 3.8, Greenhouse Gas Emissions, each of the project phases would achieve reductions beyond the ARB 2020 21.7 percent target and the Valley Air District 29 percent reduction from BAU requirements from adopted regulations in their respective operational years. The emission estimates presented in Tables 3.8-9 through 3.8-11 demonstrate that the proposed project would achieve greater reductions than the Valley Air District-established threshold of 29 percent, resulting in annual reductions ranging from 43.3 to 44 percent. Based on this progress and the 2017 Scoping Plan Update, it is reasonable to conclude that the proposed project would be consistent with the 2017 Scoping Plan and would make a reasonable fair share contribution to achieving the 2030 target. Furthermore, Table 3.8-12 describes how the proposed project would be consistent with the 2017 Scoping Plan Update measures. Therefore, the City has properly determined that the proposed project would not prohibit or prevent the State of California from achieving the goals set in Executive Order B-55-18 because it would not result in barriers to achieving net-zero emissions.

### Response to AENV-9

This comment states that the proposed project GHG emissions are significant and must be mitigated with fair share mitigation consistent with the findings of *Napa Citizens for Honest Gov't v. Napa County Board of Supervisors* (2001) 91 Cal.App.4th 342, 364.

As described in Section 3.8 Greenhouse Gas Emissions, as shown in Tables 3.8-6 through 3.8-8, Phase 1 of the proposed project would achieve a reduction in GHG emissions of 49.7 percent from BAU by the year 2023 with regulations and design features incorporated, Phase 2 would achieve a 48.7 percent reduction by 2024, and Phase 3 would achieve a 31.6 percent reduction by 2025. Each phase would achieve more than the 29 percent GHG emission reductions required by the Valley Air District threshold, and also more than the 21.7 percent average reduction from all sources of GHG emissions now required to achieve AB 32 targets. Therefore, the Draft EIR demonstrates that the

proposed project would not exceed applicable thresholds set by the Valley Air District and mitigation would not be required. The City is not permitted under CEQA to impose mitigation measures or require applicants to incorporate project design features for impacts that have been determined to be less than significant. Chapter 2, Project Description, of the Draft EIR sets forth a detailed description of the proposed project.

See also Responses to AENV-4 and AENV-5.

#### Response to AENV-10

This comment presents potential mitigation measures to include in the Draft EIR with the purpose of reducing GHG emissions. The commenter suggested the following GHG reduction measures: install solar panels on the entire available roof space, prohibit natural gas appliances, install energy-efficient lighting and temperature controls, require zero-emission vehicles, purchase offsets or sponsor local energy projects, and utilize low-GHG construction materials.

As described in Response to AENV-9, the Draft EIR describes that the proposed project would not exceed GHG emission thresholds set by the Valley Air District and mitigation would not be required. The City is not permitted under CEQA to impose mitigation measures or require applicants to incorporate project design features for impacts that have been determined to be less than significant. Chapter 2, Project Description, of the Draft EIR sets forth a detailed description of the proposed project. Evaluating the feasibility of incorporating on-site renewable energy production is not required under CEQA. The commenter's proposed mitigation measures are discussed below along with why each of them would not be feasible or result in significant GHG emissions reductions.

The proposed project would comply with existing City and Title 24 requirements to include solarready rooftop infrastructure, which would allow for the future installation of solar panels. The proposed project would not preclude the use of natural gas appliances, but the overall GHG emissions during project operation from energy sources, such as natural gas appliance, would be very minimal. The proposed project would include the use of energy-efficient lighting and heating, ventilation, and air conditioning (HVAC) systems consistent with City building code and Title 24 standards. As part of MM AIR-1i, the proposed project would include EV charging infrastructure consistent with Tier 2 CALGreen requirements, which would allow for future EV vehicles to use the site for vehicle recharging. The proposed project would not exceed GHG threshold set by the applicable Air District, the San Joaquin Valley Air District, and as such would not need to purchase carbon offsets or fund local energy projects. The proposed project's construction activity would not need to utilize low GHG construction materials, because no significant impact would occur during construction. Furthermore, as described in Section 4: Errata, the proposed project would include MM AIR-1a, -1f, and -1g that would require a clean truck fleet, limit truck idling, and zero-emission on-site equipment. These mitigation measures, while not intended to reduce GHG emissions, would substantially reduce GHG emissions because they would address the primary project source of GHG emissions, HHD trucks and on-site off-road equipment that utilize diesel fuel.

No further response is required. Also, see Response to AENV-15 for a description of mitigation measures the Draft EIR includes that reduce GHG emissions.

#### Response to AENV-11

This comment states the purpose of CalEEMod and how default values can be replaced by project-specific information. No further response is required.

This comment describes that the population parameter in CalEEMod was changed to 0 but the total project population would be 1,871 employees and should be changed to the total project buildout population. Therefore, the commenter asserts that CalEEMod should be re-run to reflect an accurate population size for the project.

The Draft EIR's modeling is accurate for the purposes of this analysis. The population parameter is associated with permanent residents that would inhabit residential land uses, such as apartments. As described in the CalEEMod Guidance Manual Appendix D, the population data is used to estimate emissions associated with solid waste generation for residential land uses. However, the population parameter is not appropriate for this proposed project's modeling because it would not include residential uses. Therefore, no changes to the modeling approach or evaluation are required.

#### Response to AENV-12

This comment states that certain CalEEMod modeling files had the default land use parameters changed to 0 but should be changed to show the project land use sizes. In particular, the comment points to the Phase 3 CalEEMod operational model.

The Draft EIR's modeling is accurate for the purposes of this analysis. The CalEEMod Notes Document contained in Appendix B of the Draft EIR explains the adjustments made to the CalEEMod modeling files. The operational runs were adjusted to include the following two land uses: Commercial > User Defined Commercial > 1 x User Defined Metric and Industrial > User Defined Industrial > 4 x User Defined Metric. The reason the operational runs include these land uses with 0 square feet of building space is to separately model the mobile emissions associated with the use of passenger vehicles and HHD trucks. CalEEMod emissions results do not identify the source of emissions except for general sources such as Area, Energy, and Mobile. By modeling the two types of mobile sources separately it allows the City's technical consultant to better differentiate types of mobile sources from the building sources of emissions (Area, Energy, Waste, and Water). Furthermore, as shown in the CalEEMod Notes Document, the correct land use parameters were included in the CalEEMod modeling runs. Therefore, no changes to the modeling approach or evaluation are required.

#### Response to AENV-13

This comment states that the operational CalEEMod results show a reduction in VMT compared to the VMT estimated in the Draft EIR. The comment states that the Draft EIR indicated a VMT of 16.9 per employee with a total VMT of 11,541,263 whereas the CalEEMod file indicated a total VMT of 7,343,938 and an average employee VMT of 10.75.

The Draft EIR's modeling is accurate for the purposes of this analysis. As explained in the CalEEMod Notes Document, Note 7, Kimley-Horn and Associates produced a TIA for the proposed project (Appendix J of the Draft EIR), that analyzes the trip generation rates for the proposed project. As contained therein, Project Phase 1 (Tracy Alliance Parcel) would generate an estimated 1,775 daily passenger vehicle trips and 836 daily truck trips. Project Phase 2 (Suvik Farms Parcels) would

generate an estimated 974 daily passenger vehicle trips and 459 daily truck trips. Project Phase 3 (Zuriakat Parcels) would generate an estimated 456 daily passenger vehicle trips and 215 daily truck trips. Therefore, the vehicle trips generated by the proposed project were adjusted in the operational models to match the estimated daily vehicle trips disclosed in the TIA.

As shown in Appendix B of the Draft EIR, each of the three phases of development would result in a total of 19,529,323 VMT. See Section 4.2 in Phase 1 Unmitigated 2023 Passenger Vehicle Mobile Emissions; Phase 1 Unmitigated 2023 Truck Mobile Emissions; Phase 2 Unmitigated 2024 Passenger Vehicle Mobile Emissions; Phase 2 Unmitigated 2024 Truck Mobile Emissions; Phase 3 Unmitigated 2025 Passenger Vehicle Mobile Emissions; and Phase 3 Unmitigated 2025 Truck Mobile Emissions.

The VMT that the commenter identified is from the Phase 1 Passenger Vehicles Only results file shown on page B-506. As a result, the CalEEMod modeling prepared for the Draft EIR overestimates the VMT generated by the proposed project and presents a conservative analysis. Therefore, the adjustments made to the CalEEMod operational modeling files were based on substantial evidence and the estimated VMT is consistent. Thus, no changes to the modeling approach or evaluation are required.

#### Response to AENV-14

This comment states that the adjustments to the default CalEEMod values are not explained adequately.

The comment is noted and acknowledged. The CalEEMod Notes Document contained in Appendix B of the Draft EIR explains the adjustments made to the CalEEMod modeling files.

#### Response to AENV-15

This comment states that the Air Quality Analysis did not fully consider all feasible mitigation measures to reduce impacts.

This comment states that the Draft EIR should include new mitigation such as: requiring on-site machinery be all-electric, encourage tenants to incentivize carpools and alternative transportation, require a no-idling vehicle policy, and require future tenants' vehicle fleet be zero-emission.

As discussed in more detail in Section 3.4, Air Quality, of the Draft EIR, there are numerous mitigation measures that would be imposed on the proposed project. In addition, as described in Response to GSEJA-31, the City has agreed to adopt, and the project applicants have agreed to implement, additional mitigation measures, such as, among others, MM AIR-1g that requires all onsite off-road equipment and on-road equipment be electric powered. This equipment includes types of equipment the commenter mentions, such as forklifts. Furthermore, as described in Section 3.14 Transportation, the Draft EIR includes MM TRANS-1a, which requires the implementation of TDM measures to reduce operational vehicle trips. The first such measure requires future tenants to communicate information and strategies to employees about reducing vehicle trips. MM TRANS-1a also includes the encouragement of telecommuting for administrative staff, as well as the provision of designated parking spaces for carpool vehicles, a transit stop along the project frontage with Grant Line Road, bicycle lanes and sidewalks along the project frontages, and on-site bicycle racks

and showers for employees to use. MM TRANS-1a already includes measures that the commenter requests, such as incentivizing carpools.

As described in Section 3.3 Air Quality, the Draft EIR includes MM AIR-1d, which requires the use of a clean truck fleet that meets the ARB's adopted 2013 Optional Low-NOX Standard of 0.02 gram of nitrogen oxide (NO<sub>X</sub>) per brake horsepower-hour for all heavy-duty trucks during operation of the proposed project. Moreover, existing regulations already govern idling restrictions for heavy-duty vehicles. For example, the ARB On-Road Heavy-Duty Vehicle Program would require heavy-duty truck owners to limit idling to five minutes. In addition, the new ARB Advanced Clean Cars II Regulations Resolution 22-12 would require new gasoline powered cars purchased in the State to be zero-emission, which would lead to future tenants' vehicle fleets containing some zero-emission vehicles. See also Response to AENV-3 regarding the commenter's proposed net-zero emissions requirement. Therefore, the Draft EIR includes many of the mitigation measures the author is calling for and provides the most feasible and applicable mitigation. In addition, the City has agreed to adopt, and the project applicants have agreed to implement, additional mitigation measures that would further reduce emissions in this regard. No revisions to the Draft EIR are required.

#### Response to AENV-16

This comment suggests mitigation that limits the amount of construction that could occur at one time to just one phase of the project to limit air quality emission impacts.

As described in Section 3.4, Air Quality, the analysis presents a reasonable worst-case scenario where all development occurs concurrently and overlaps; this is consistent with the project description and related project objectives, and is particularly necessary and relevant here given there are three different property owners/applicants, each of which would develop its respective specific individual development proposal with timing based on numerous considerations. Restricting other property owners from developing their respective portions of the project site in the manner suggested by the commenter would not be feasible, practically, economically or legally.

### Response to AENV-17

This comment opines that the impact conclusions in Impact AG-1 and Impact AG-2 are inconsistent and then states that the proposed project would have significant impacts related to conflict with existing zoning for agricultural use or a Williamson Act Contract (Impact AG-2).

Impacts related to conflict with existing zoning for agricultural use or a Williamson Act Contract were thoroughly analyzed in Section 3.2, Agricultural Resources, Impact AG-2. See Response to AENV-18. No revisions to the Draft EIR are required.

#### Response to AENV-18

This comment claims the proposed project would violate the Williamson Act Contract and would therefore result in significant and unavoidable impacts. This is based on the assertion that although the Notice of Nonrenewal of Suvik Farm parcels' Williamson Act Contract was initiated in 2017, since the contract term automatically renews annually, the actual term is essentially indefinite. The comment then states that even if the contract expires in 2026, the Suvik Farm parcels would be developed by 2024, before contract expiration, which would violate the Williamson Act Contract. Lastly, the comment states that requesting to cancel the Williamson Act Contract would be

inconsistent with the Williamson Act if the "objectives to be served by cancellation should have been predicted and served by nonrenewal at an earlier time."

The Draft EIR's analysis of impacts to agricultural resources, including any potential conflicts with Williamson Act Contracts, is discussed at length in Section 3.2 and the Draft EIR's modeling is accurate for purposes of this analysis. The comment cited selected texts from Section 3.2, Agricultural Resources, out of context. As presented in Section 3.2, a Notice of Nonrenewal was initiated in 2017, and the contract will expire on August 21, 2026. The nonrenewal process is provided for under the enabling statute for the Williamson Act.

Section 3.2 also presents analysis that, should development of the Suvik Farms parcels be pursued prior to the Williamson Act Contract expiration date, then pursuant to applicable provisions of the Williamson Act, the applicant for the development of the Suvik Farms parcels would be required to take specific steps to cancel the contract (rather than waiting for the contract to expire as a result of the nonrenewal) to petition the City Council for cancellation consistent with the requirements of Government Code Section 51282(a), or agree to the imposition of a condition of approval such that no permit for development on the Suvik Farms parcels would be issued prior to the August 21, 2026 expiration date. Accordingly, because the Suvik Farms parcels applicant would be required to follow applicable provisions of State law related to Williamson Act Contracts, the proposed project would not result in any conflicts with the Williamson Act Contract and impacts would be less than significant.

The landowners of the Suvik Farm parcels properly initiated a Notice of Nonrenewal in 2017, anticipating future development of the parcels. Because a Notice of Nonrenewal was already initiated, if the landowners need to request cancellation in advance of the contract's expiration date (August 21, 2026), the cancellation request would be consistent with the Williamson Act.

As demonstrated thoroughly in Section 3.2, Agricultural Resources, the proposed project would comply with all relevant Williamson Act regulations related to nonrenewal cancellation, and impacts related to Williamson Act Contract would be less than significant. Accordingly, the Draft EIR's conclusions were accurate and no revisions are required.

#### Response to AENV-19

This comment includes three mitigation strategies the commenter suggests would reduce impacts to agricultural resources: (1) modify development plans so that development of the Suvik Farm parcels would not occur until after the Williamson Act Contract expires, (2) restore the agricultural land after the lifespan of the project, and (3) limit the size of the warehouses to reduce the amount of agricultural land conversion.

Section 3.2, Agricultural Resources, contains a detailed discussion of impacts and feasible mitigation, as required under CEQA. In terms of the mitigation measures suggested by the commenter:

1. As discussed in Impact AG-2 of the Draft EIR, in order for development of the Suvik Farms parcels to occur prior to the August 21, 2026, expiration date of the Williamson Act Contract, the applicant would be required to petition the City Council for cancellation, or agree to the

- imposition of a condition of approval such that no permit for development on the Suvik Farms parcels would be issued prior to the August 21, 2026, expiration date. These requirements would ensure consistency with the Williamson Act Contract and would avoid related project impacts. Satisfaction of these requirements would be assured by the applicable statutory and regulatory framework. Therefore, the suggested mitigation of modifying development plans to delay development of the Suvik Farms parcels is not necessary and would not clearly result in a lessening of significant impacts.
- 2. Regarding the suggestion that agricultural use of the land be required to be restored after the lifespan of the project, as a general matter, nothing prevents this transition from occurring (at least in theory). The court in *King and Gardiner Farms v. County of Kern* (2020) 45 Ca.App.5th 814, 876-77, found that restoration of farmland to productive use could be mitigation; however, as suggested by the court in its discussion, such a mitigation measure is feasible when the project is temporary or has an identified lifespan. For a large industrial project such as the one at hand, which involves significant economic investment from the property owners/applicants to develop and operate substantial public and private infrastructure and improvements with no inherent lifespans, the commenter's suggested mitigation measure is not feasible. There is no specified end date for the industrial land uses that would be approved in the requested entitlements that would provide the basis for this type of restoration measure; moreover, given the intensity of proposed urban industrial uses, an ability to restore the project site to Important Farmland appears speculative at best.
- 3. Reduction of the proposed development in order to reduce agriculture impacts was analyzed as one of the project alternatives. The Draft EIR provided two alternatives (aside from the No Project Alternative) that would meet at least some of the basic objectives of the proposed project while lessening impacts to agricultural land conversion, including the Outside Storage Allowable Use Alternative and the Agricultural Protection Alternative. It should be noted that both alternatives include a reduction in building footprint. Pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15126I(2), a Draft EIR must identify an environmentally superior alternative aside from the No Project Alternative. The Draft EIR identifies the Outside Storage Allowable Use Alternative as the environmentally superior alternative because it has the potential to yield the greatest reductions in the severity of the proposed significant and unavoidable impacts because it would preserve approximately 48 acres of the existing agricultural operations including Prime Farmland. However, this alternative would not meet the project objectives to the same extent of the proposed project; e.g., it would not achieve the project objective of improving local and regional employment opportunities by taking advantage of the project site's high level of accessibility to the same degree as the proposed project. Nor would this alternative allow for the expansion of the City's economic base and help improve the jobs/housing balance to the same degree. (The proposed project quantifiably achieves the City's project objectives by developing a maximum of 3,352,210 square feet of employmentgenerating industrial uses.) This alternative also would not be as effective at achieving the employment-generating opportunity objective as it would not provide as many local and regional employment opportunities or reduce the commute for regional residents.

Prior to approving the proposed project, the City, as the Lead Agency, would be required to adopt a Statement of Overriding Consideration explaining its reasoning to approve the proposed project.

#### Response to AENV-20

This comment claims that the Draft EIR did not analyze a range of reasonable alternatives.

See Response to GSEJA-27.

#### Response to AENV-21

This comment states the Draft EIR should include an alternative with the aim of preserving the onsite cattail marsh.

Impacts related to riparian habitat were thoroughly analyzed in Section 3.4, Biological Resources, of the Draft EIR. Impacts to potentially jurisdictional features were found to be less than significant with the implementation of MM BIO-3 (Conduct Delineation of Potentially Jurisdictional Aquatic Resources [Channels and Wetlands]). Therefore, it is not necessary to analyze a project alternative that would reduce such impacts. See also Response to GSEJA-27.

This comment claims that the Draft EIR only analyzed one project alternative (aside from the No Project Alternative) that would reduce agricultural land impacts. The comment claims that the Draft EIR found the Outside Storage Allowable Use to be infeasible without providing justification.

The Draft EIR provided two alternatives (aside from the No Project Alternative) that meet most of the basic objectives of the proposed project while lessening impacts to agricultural land conversion, including the Outside Storage Allowable Use Alternative and the Agricultural Protection Alternative. It should be noted that both alternatives include a reduction in building footprint. Contrary to the commenter's claims, the Draft EIR fully analyzed the Outside Storage Allowable Use Alternative and determined it to be the environmentally superior alternative because it has the potential to yield the greatest reductions in the severity of the proposed significant and unavoidable impacts because it would preserve approximately 48 acres of the existing agricultural operations including Prime Farmland.

As discussed in Section 6, Alternatives, of the Draft EIR, the Outside Storage Allowable Use Alternative would have a lower level of impacts for aesthetics, agriculture and forest resources, air quality, biological resources, cultural resources, energy, GHG emissions, hydrology and water quality, noise, public services, tribal cultural resources, utilities and service systems, and wildfire. Overall, the impacts would be reduced due to a smaller square footage of the buildings and the reduced number of employees. However, the proposed project's mitigation measures would still be required under this alternative. Furthermore, this alternative would not meet quantitative objectives for employment-generating industrial uses, and would also not meet the other project objectives at all and/or to the same degree as the proposed project, and would therefore not meet the project objectives related to employment opportunities.

Therefore, the Draft EIR evaluated a reasonable range of project alternatives that would reduce agricultural impacts. Even then, impacts to agricultural land conversion are still found to be significant and unavoidable.

See also Response to GSEJA-27.

## Response to AENV-22

This comment claims that the Draft EIR should be updated to reflect the author's finding of a significant GHG impact and mitigated as such. The commenter provides closing statements.

The comment is noted and acknowledged. Because no project-specific CEQA issues were raised, no further response is required.





February 22, 2023

Tracy City Council
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Tracy, California
Via e-mail

Re: Additional Comments on Tracy Alliance warehouse project and Final Environmental Impact Report

Dear Tracy City Council:

The Sierra Club submitted extensive comments on the Tracy Alliance warehouse project and Final Environmental Impact Report (Final EIR) in our letter of February 9, 2023.

Since then, we have met with a representative of the Tracy Alliance Group (Dermody Properties) and have upcoming meetings with individual members of the Tracy City Council. We also expect to meet with Mike Souza who is representing the Suvik Farms parcels, which are approximately 47 acres of the total 191 acres of the proposed annexation project (see attached exhibit).

We are attempting to negotiate a successful outcome so that this project can move forward without our strong objections and possible litigation.

We have heard that this item is scheduled for the March 7 Tracy City Council meeting.

We respectfully request that the hearing be opened and testimony taken but that the matter be continued for one month so that we can continue our negotiations with the applicants and with the City.

New Concerns about the Final EIR and Future Approvals for Unknown Building on the Suvik and Zuriakat Parcels: Will There be Further CEQA Analysis and Public Hearings?

After we have more closely studied the Final EIR we have discovered the following major issues regarding future approvals of the Suvik and Zuriakat parcels.

The Final EIR studies the impacts due to development of the Tracy Alliance parcels (122 acres).in detail. The Tracy Alliance Group has provided conceptual site designs and

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infrastructure plans of three separate buildings. The applicant has also shared with us plans of truck circulation improvements at the main driveway and Grant Line Road, ensuring that trucks entering and exiting that portion of the site are prohibited from turning left (eastward) onto Grant Line Road, which is a major issue for the Banta community. The applicant is considering whether to agree with our specific additional measures and conditions, summarized below and in our previous letter.

However, a major shortcoming of his Final EIR is that there is NO similar project description information for the 69 acres known as the Suvik and Zuriakat parcels, which make up roughly 45% of the assumed development potential of the entire annexation area

The Final EIR contains NO discussion of how this FEIR is to be used in assessing impacts and leading to approvals for future buildings on these parcels. This future analysis and recommended detailed mitigation measures are key since the Suvik parcel is closer to the main Banta community (and Banta Elementary School) than the Tracy Alliance parcels.

The California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) allows for the preparation of "program"-level and "project"–level impact reports (see Sections 15168 of the CEQA Guidelines). However, a document that is being approved as a "program" level assessment (or a hybrid EIR that is being prepared as a "program" level analysis for part of the project and a "project" level document for another part) must clearly specify and describe this in the project description.

This Final EIR contains no such discussion and so we and the residents of Banta are left with the following question:

Will the City Council require the applicants for the Suvik and Zuriakat parcels to submit detailed development plans to the community that will be subject to CEQA review, e.g. a project level EIR, followed by public hearings scheduled before the Planning Commission and City Council? Or will the City Council allow city staff to administratively approve site and building plans with no further environmental review and public hearings?

To clarify this issue, we request that the following condition of approval be added to any approval for the annexation project:

The applicants for future development of the Suvik and Zuriakat parcels shall be required to submit detailed development plans to the community that will be subject to CEQA review, e.g. a project level EIR, followed by public hearings scheduled before the Planning Commission and City Council

## The Final EIR Fails to Adequately Analyze and Mitigate the Project's Air Quality Impacts

Air pollution from significant activities in the San Joaquin Valley Air Basin includes a variety of industrial-based sources as well as on- and off-road mobile sources. These sources, coupled with geographical and meteorological conditions unique to the area, stimulate the formation of

unhealthy air. San Joaquin County is in non-attainment of Ozone, PM10 and PM2.5 State air quality standards. Breathing in particulate matter (PM10 and PM2.5) and ground-level ozone can trigger a variety of health problems. Heavy-duty trucks are key sources of diesel pollution and toxic air contaminants (TACs) and are therefore a focus of air quality impacts. Diesel trucks emit large volumes of particulate matter (a.k.a. diesel particulate matter, or DPM), therefore contributing to health problems that include cardiovascular problems, cancer, asthma, decreased lung function and capacity, reproductive health problems, and premature death.<sup>1</sup>

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The public health risks associated with these pollutants are severe. As the Draft EIR for the pending Costco warehouse project states:

The reactivity of O3 causes health problems because it damages lung tissue, reduces lung function and sensitizes the lungs to other irritants. Scientific evidence indicates that ambient levels of O3 not only affect people with impaired respiratory systems, such as asthmatics, but healthy adults and children as well. Exposure to O3 for several hours at relatively low concentrations has been found to significantly reduce lung function and induce respiratory inflammation in normal, healthy people during exercise. This decrease in lung function generally is accompanied by symptoms including chest pain, coughing, sneezing and pulmonary congestion. (Costco DEIR page 3.3-4)

#### Also from the Costco warehouse Draft EIR:

Some studies indicate that DPM poses the greatest health risk among the TACs listed above. A 10- year research program demonstrated that DPM from diesel-fueled engines is a human carcinogen and that chronic (long-term) inhalation exposure to DPM poses a chronic health risk. In addition to increasing the risk of lung cancer, exposure to diesel exhaust can have other health effects. Diesel exhaust can irritate the eyes, nose, throat, and lungs, and it can cause coughs, headaches, lightheadedness, and nausea. Diesel exhaust is a major source of fine particulate pollution as well, and studies have linked elevated particle levels in the air to increased hospital admissions, emergency room visits, asthma attacks, and premature deaths among those suffering from respiratory problems. Costco DEIR page 3.3-22)

Given these existing air quality problems and severe public health consequences, the City needs to do everything in its power to ensure new development does not exacerbate the problem. Unfortunately, the DEIR does not adequately analyze or mitigate this project's impacts.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Storing Harm: the Health and Community Impacts of Goods Movement Warehousing and Logistics, January 2012, available at: https://envhealthcenters.usc.edu/wp-content/uploads/2016/11/Storing-Harm.pdf; accessed June 2, 2021.

The Final EIR's evaluation of potential mitigation measures is deeply flawed. CEQA requires that (1) a project's significant impacts be fully disclosed in detail, (2) mitigation be fully enforceable and not improperly deferred, (3) the City adopt all feasible mitigation to mitigate a project's impacts, and (4) the Final EIR provide for an adequate mitigation monitoring and reporting program. Here, Tracy's General Plan provides sound guidance as well: Developments that significantly impact air quality shall only be approved if all feasible mitigation measures to avoid, minimize or offset the impact are implemented." (General Plan Policy AQ-1.2-P14). And to confirm conformity with the Air District's Air Quality Attainment Plan, the California Air Resources Board requires that any new project "contain in its design all reasonably available and feasible air quality control measures."

## **Summary of Our Requested Additional Mitigation Measures and Conditions of Approval**

As we noted in our previous letter, we are requesting that the Council not approve this large warehouse project unless the following specific air quality, greenhouse gas emissions, project setback, circulation, and other measures are included in the project's conditions of approval. The California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) requires lead agencies to adopt all feasible mitigation measures to reduce impacts of a development project, even if the environmental analysis finds that the impacts are "significant and unavoidable."

These conditions have been recommended by the State Attorney General as well as other State agencies such as the California Air Resources Board:

- construct sufficient solar panels on each building to provide power for the project, to be completed prior to the issuance of the first occupancy permit for the building
- utilize a "clean fleet" of light vehicles/delivery vans/trucks (Class 2 through 6) as part of business operations for all buildings
- The property owners/tenants/lessees shall ensure that all heavy-duty trucks (Class 7 and 8) domiciled on the project site are model year 2014 or later from start of operations and shall expedite a transition to zero-emission vehicles, with the fleet fully zero-emission by December 31, 2025 or when commercially available for the intended application, whichever date is later.
- At all times during project operation, owners, operators or tenants shall be required to
  provide electric charging facilities on the project site sufficient to charge all electric trucks
  domiciled on the site and such facilities shall be made available for all electric trucks that
  use the project site.
- design the project to include a setback of at least 1,000 feet from the nearest homes
- provide a community benefits fund to assist Banta residents and the Banta elementary school in upgrading air ventilation systems

 provide funding to install large signs along Grant Line Road in multiple locations that state trucks are prohibited on the road east of the project site, and design all phases of the project to prohibit left turns on to Grant Line Road

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In our December 6 letter we attached the executed Settlement Agreement between the Sierra Club, the City of Stockton, and Greenlaw Development, LLC (developer of the 203-acre Mariposa Industrial Park in the South Stockton area which will be occupied by Walmart).

In addition, the State Attorney General (AG) signed a separate Memorandum of Understanding with the City of Stockton and the developer which includes the same measures that were included in the Sierra Club settlement.

We have also recently commented to the City on the pending Costco warehouse project and DEIR. We incorporate by reference our two letters on the Costco project and DEIR, as they are very germane and applicable to this Tracy Alliance project and FEIR.

We also incorporate by reference the comments submitted on the Tracy Alliance Draft EIR by the Golden State Environmental Justice Alliance.

## Th City Must Require Setbacks from the Nearest Residences for All Phases of the Project

The issue of requiring adequate mitigation for local distribution warehouse projects has recently come to the attention of the State Attorney General's Office (AG). The office has recently published a very helpful guide, updated in 2022, called "Warehouse Projects: Best Practices and Mitigation Measures to Comply with the California Environmental Quality Act" (Attachment B to this letter).

The Guidelines recommend the following regarding setbacks between planned warehouse projects and the nearest "sensitive receptors" (defined by the State as collections of residences, schools, playgrounds, childcare centers, long-term health care facilities, rehabilitation centers, convalescent centers, hospitals, retirement homes, senior centers, and other sensitive land uses):

Examples of best practices when siting and designing warehouse facilities include:

Per California Air Resources Board (CARB) guidance, siting warehouse facilities so that their property lines are <u>at least 1,000 feet from the property lines of the nearest sensitive</u> receptor (footnote) (pages 5-6 of the Guidelines, emphasis added)

The footnote to this guidance cites the CARB documents and states:

CARB, Air Quality and Land Use Handbook: A Community Health Perspective (April 2005), at ES-1. CARB staff has released draft updates to this siting and design guidance which suggests a greater distance may be warranted in some scenarios. CARB, Concept Paper for the Freight Handbook (December 2019), available at

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https://ww2.arb.ca.gov/sites/default/files/2020-03/2019.12.12%20-%20Concept%20Paper%20for%20the%20Freight%20Handbook\_1.pdf (last accessed September 18, 2022).

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The Tracy Alliance Final EIR notes on page 3.3-42 that the closest sensitive receptors to the project site are single-family residences and Banta Elementary School. The closest sensitive receptors to the project site are located at the following distances:

• Residences as close as 145 feet west of the project site across Paradise Road;

- Residences immediately adjacent to the project site to the east along Grant Line Road;
- Residences as close as 120 feet south of the project site across Grant Line Road;
- Residences as close as 60 feet north of the project site across California Avenue; and
- Banta Elementary School approximately 1,500 feet to the east at its closest outside area.

The Final EIR must include the following mitigation measure, which is available and feasible:

The site plans for all phases of the project shall ensure a minimum setback from the nearest residence of at least 1,000 feet. The setback area shall be landscaped with an earthen berm and mature trees and shrubs

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## **Adopt a Warehouse Ordinance**

In addition to the above measures, the Sierra Club is requesting that the City of Tracy draft and consider a comprehensive Warehouse Sustainability Ordinance for future projects that establishes development standards for the construction of industrial warehousing and distribution facilities that exceed 100,000 square feet before December 31, 2023. The City of Stockton has agreed to this timeline.

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## Conclusion

We are formally requesting that the above mitigation measures be included as part of the Tracy Alliance project approval.

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As we noted in our previous letter, the Sierra Club will continue to monitor and comment on every proposed warehouse project in the City of Tracy (as well as in the Cities of Manteca, Lathrop, Stockton, and San Joaquin County). If future projects fail to incorporate the measures as recommended by the Attorney General and CARB, the Sierra Club will consider litigation to enforce inclusion of these measures in project approvals.

The City of Tracy, along with the other jurisdictions in San Joaquin County, must address the very serious health, air pollution, and energy impacts of the rapidly growing distribution

warehouse development in our communities. Applicants must do all that is possible to minimize the very real environmental impacts that warehouse development projects pose.

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We are available to meet with your staff and applicants at any time to further discuss the programs that may be implemented to achieve our mutual goals.

If you have any questions about these comments, you may contact Eric Parfrey at <a href="mailto:parfrey@sbcglobal.net">parfrey@sbcglobal.net</a> or (209) 641-3380.

Sincerely,

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Attachment A: Tracy Alliance exhibit

Attachment B: Attorney General's report "Warehouse Projects: Best Practices and Mitigation

Measures to Comply with the California Environmental Quality Act"



## Sierra Club (SIERRA-1)

#### Response to SIERRA-1-1

The commenter references a separate comment letter on the proposed project and Final EIR, dated February 9, 2023. The commenter noted a meeting with one of applicant teams (Dermody) had already occurred, referenced upcoming meetings with individual Council Members and a representative from another applicant team (Suvik), and requested that the hearing be opened and testimony be taken but the matter be continued for 1 month.

The comment is noted and acknowledged. CEQA comments raised in the referenced February 9 letter are addressed in Responses to SIERRA-2-1 through Responses to SIERRA-2-11, below.

This comment does not raise any specific project-related environmental issues under CEQA, and therefore no further response is required. For informational purposes, it is noted that the proposed project is scheduled for consideration by the City Council at its hearing on April 4, 2023.

#### Response to SIERRA-1-2

The commenter claims that the proposed project's Final EIR does not contain discussion of how the EIR is to be used in assessing impacts and leading to approvals for future buildings on the Suvik and Zuriakat parcels because there is no "conceptual site plan and infrastructure plans" that are specific to the Suvik and Zuriakat parcels, unlike the Tracy Alliance parcels. In addition, the commenter refers to CEQA requirements related to EIRs that involve program-level and project-level review, and requests "future analysis and recommended detailed mitigation measures" (particularly given the proximity of the Suvik parcels to the Banta community). The commenter requests that a condition of approval be added to require CEQA review for the individual development proposal on the Suvik and Zuriakat parcels to ensure these parcels submit detailed development plans that will be subject to CEQA review.

As a preliminary matter, it is noted that the commenter concedes that the "Final EIR studies the impacts due to development of the Tracy Alliance parcels (122 acres)...in detail." However, the commenter takes issue with the fact that unlike the Tracy Alliance portion of the proposed project, which included a description of a conceptual site plan and related features, the Draft EIR does not include a similarly detailed project description for the Suvik and Zuriakat parcels. Contrary to the commenter's assertion, the assumed development parameters, the basis for those assumptions, and the related impact conclusions for these portions of the proposed project were discussed in detail through the Draft EIR.

The methodology, approach to analysis, and process of evaluating the potential impacts of future development on the Suvik and Zuriakat parcels were thoroughly discussed in Chapter 1, Introduction, of the Draft EIR.

Specifically, Chapter 1.2, Environmental Review Process, of the Draft EIR states:

This Draft EIR provides a project-level analysis for the proposed project. For the purposes of analysis in this Draft EIR, because the applicant for the Tracy Alliance parcels has submitted an individual development proposal for these parcels, this

Draft EIR evaluates, as required under CEQA, the specific aspects of that proposal. With respect to the remaining portions of the project site, individual development proposals have not yet been submitted. Accordingly, this Draft EIR evaluates at a project-level full buildout of the project site as contemplated under the proposed project, based on information that is reasonably available and reflects reasonable assumptions of maximum development potential that could occur on the remaining parcels (Suvik Farms and Zuriakat). This is estimated to consist of up to 1,502,820 square feet of warehouse and distribution development, consistent with the maximum allowable density per acre identified in the NEI Specific Plan (see Table 2-2 in the Project Description for a summary of the proposed development). The level of analysis for Suvik Farms and Zuriakat parcels reflects the level of detail available at the time of preparation of this Draft EIR. The environmental impacts of the proposed project are analyzed in the Draft EIR to the degree of specificity appropriate, in accordance with CEQA Guidelines Section 15146.

Therefore, impacts from future development of Suvik and Zuriakat parcels in accordance with all applicable City development standards and design guidelines are appropriately analyzed and disclosed throughout the Draft EIR and Final EIR, based on the best information available at this time. Future development of Suvik and Zuriakat parcels would be subject to all mitigation measures identified in the MMRP, except certain measures that expressly apply only to the Tracy Alliance parcels as noted in the MMRP. All mitigation measures would be imposed as enforceable conditions of approval on all individual specific development proposals for the proposed project that are submitted to the City, including those for the Suvik and Zuriakat parcels. All parcels within the project site would be required to submit and obtain approval of site-specific applications pursuant to the City's Municipal Code and the City's standard entitlement process, including Development Review, which is a discretionary process, including a public hearing before the appropriate decision maker and subject to appeal. Therefore, at such time as the owners of the Suvik and/or Zuriakat parcels apply to the City for Development Review Permits (as they must before any development can occur on those parcels), the City would evaluate those application(s) and determine, in accordance with all applicable CEQA requirements, the required form of CEQA compliance, as it does with all Development Review Permit applications.

Other procedural requirements related to the City's Development Review Permit process (as well as other potential subsequent approvals) are set forth in detail in the City's Municipal Code and other applicable laws and regulations. All future individual development proposals for the proposed project, including those for the Suvik and Zuriakat parcels, would be required to adhere to these and all other applicable legal mandates in connection with the subsequent entitlement process.

Based on the foregoing, and further because only legislative approvals (i.e., prezoning, NEI Specific Plan Amendment) are currently being considered, there is no basis for imposing the condition of approval requested by the commenter.

No further response is required.

#### Response to SIERRA-1-3

The commenter states that significant sources of air pollution in the San Joaquin Valley Air Basin include industrial type land uses which operate with on- and off-road mobile vehicles. The commenter lists the pollutants in the San Joaquin Valley Air Basin that are in nonattainment and states that the primary source of TACs are from the operation of heavy-duty trucks because they emit a large volume of DPM. The commenter lists the health risks from DPM emissions and cites a Draft EIR for a Costco development. The commenter states that the City should prevent further health risks due to new development and that the Draft EIR does not properly analyze or mitigate the entire project impacts.

The commenter summarizes information regarding the air quality in the San Joaquin Valley Air Basin, as well as noting generally the sources of air pollution and impacts related thereto, including health concerns related to heavy-duty diesel trucks.

The commenter also cited conclusions from a draft environmental impact report for an unrelated Costco development regarding public health risks associated with air pollution. The commenter then goes on to assert that, given the foregoing, the City "needs to do everything in its power to ensure new development does not exacerbate the problem" and claims that the Draft EIR for the proposed project does not adequately analyze or mitigate its impacts. However, the commenter does not provide any specific comments related to the analysis or specific mitigation measures in the Draft EIR and Final EIR for the proposed project.

CEQA requirements make clear that comments on an EIR should focus on the sufficiency of the document's identification and analysis of significant environmental impacts, and measures to avoid or mitigate those impacts. (See CEQA Guidelines Section 15204(a)). Reviewers and commenters should explain the basis for their comments and provide data, references, or other evidence to support their comments. (See CEQA Guidelines Section 15204(c)).

CEQA requires that the Final EIR address comments submitted during the 45-day public comment period that raise significant environmental issues on the adequacy of the Draft EIR (PRC § 21091(d)(2)(B); CEQA Guidelines § 15088(c)). CEQA considerations are limited to significant issues as these relate to potential physical impacts of the project on the environment.

A good faith effort at full disclosure to facilitate informed decision making is the primary focus of CEQA. Thus, the lead agency must evaluate comments on the Draft EIR and prepare written responses for inclusion in the Final EIR. (See PRC § 21091(d); CEQA Guidelines §§ 15088(a) and 15132). The written responses must describe the disposition of any "significant environmental issues" raised by commenters. (See PRC § 21091(d)(2)(B); CEQA Guidelines §§ 15088(c) and 15132(d), 15204(a)). There must be good faith, reasoned analysis in response. While conclusory statements by the lead agency unsupported by factual information will not suffice, the level of detail in the response may correspond to the level of detail in the comment. A general response may be appropriate when a comment does not contain or specifically refer to readily available information, or does not explain the relevance of evidence submitted with the comment. (See CEQA Guidelines § 15088(c)). Also, CEQA does not require that the lead agency respond to every comment submitted to it. The lead agency generally has considerable leeway regarding responses to comments, and

need not respond to comments that do not raise a significant environmental issue. <sup>12</sup> The lead agency also need not respond to general reference materials submitted in support of comments, comments that repeat those already considered, or comments that are clearly irrelevant, and has the discretion to reject comments that are not focused as provided by the CEQA Guidelines. (See CEQA Guidelines §§ 15204(e)). Responses to comments need not be exhaustive; they need only to demonstrate a good faith, reasoned analysis. (See CEQA Guidelines §§ 15088(c)). As noted above, the commenter's assertions about air quality in the San Joaquin Valley, its comments regarding the environmental review for the unrelated Costco project, and its generalized assertion that the proposed project may pose similar air quality concerns, are not addressed to any specific aspects of the Draft EIR for this project, or otherwise identify any flaws or defects in the Draft EIR for this project. Because no specific issues cognizable under CEQA are raised, no further response is required.

Nonetheless, for informational purposes, the following is noted. As described in this Final EIR Response to Comments (including, without limitation, Responses to San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District [Valley Air District-2] and Responses to GSEJA) as well as the Errata, the Draft EIR for the proposed project robustly evaluated all potential air quality and GHG emissions impacts and identified feasible mitigation where necessary. Specifically with respect to potential health risks, the proposed project's potential to expose sensitive receptors to elevated concentrations of TACs was fully analyzed and mitigated to the extent feasible under Impact AIR-3 in the Draft EIR. See, also, Response to SIERRA-1-4 and Response to SIERRA-1-5, below, for more details addressing the adequacy of the air quality analysis prepared for the proposed project. The Draft EIR and Final EIR for the proposed project (1) incorporate a robust regulatory framework (including citing relevant General Plan policies as well as guidance from ARB and the Valley Air District) and set forth a thoughtful consistency analysis related thereto; (2) fully disclose all significant impacts; (3) identify all feasible mitigation measures to mitigate, avoid or reduce the identified significant impacts; and (4) include a summary of all such measures that will be incorporated into a MMRP that will be adopted by the City Council in connection with its certification of the EIR and thereafter imposed as enforceable conditions of approval.

#### Response to SIERRA-1-4

The commenter claims that the EIR did not adequately evaluate the potential mitigation measures and lists the CEQA requirements that all mitigation measures must meet. The commenter reiterates the Tracy General Plan Policy AQ-1.2-P14, which requires new development only be approved if they include feasible mitigation measures.

See Response to SIERRA-1-3, above.

For informational purposes, the following is noted. As described in the Response to Comments and Errata of this Final EIR, the Draft EIR for the proposed project robustly evaluated and disclosed all potential air quality and GHG emissions impacts and identified feasible mitigation consistent with CEQA requirements, where necessary; specifically, the Draft EIR considered air quality and GHG impacts in Chapters 3-3 and 3-8, which detail all the potential project impacts, the resulting

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> See Citizens for E. Shore Parks v. State Lands Comm'n (2011) 202 Cal.App.4th 549.

mitigation measures, and how those measures would reduce impacts to the extent feasible. The Draft EIR discloses that the proposed project would result in significant and unavoidable impacts related to the following topics: Implementation of the Applicable Air Quality Plan, Cumulatively Considerable Net Increase of ROGs and CO During Construction, and Cumulatively Considerable Net Increase of ROG and NO<sub>X</sub> During Operation, Exposing Sensitive Receptors to Substantial Pollutant Concentrations, and Cumulative Air Impacts. In addition, the Draft EIR determined that less than significant impacts would occur related to a substantial increase in GHG emissions and consistency with the applicable GHG Reduction Plan and policies.

With respect to potential health risks in particular, the proposed project's potential to expose sensitive receptors to elevated concentrations of TACs was fully analyzed and mitigated to the extent feasible under Impact AIR-3 in the Draft EIR. See also Response to SIERRA-1-3, above, and Response to SIERRA-1-6, below, for more details addressing the adequacy of the air quality analysis prepared for the proposed project. For example, as further described in Response to GSEJA-31, the Draft EIR and Final EIR considered additional potential mitigation measures when the analysis was prepared; however, the suggested potential measures that were not adopted were determined to be either infeasible, unenforceable, not considerably different compared to measures already required, or would not reduce the impact being mitigated.

#### Response to SIERRA-1-5

The commenter requests the City Council not approve the proposed project unless the commenter's specific listed mitigation measures are included as conditions of approval. The commenter then states the CEQA requirement for all lead agencies to adopt feasible mitigation measures that reduce impacts of a development.

For the reasons set forth in Chapters 3-3 and 3-8 and as further described in the Final EIR Response to Comments and Errata (including, without limitation, Responses to San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District [Valley Air District-2] and Responses to GSEJA), the EIR for the proposed project evaluated and disclosed all potential air quality and GHG emissions impacts as required under CEQA. In addition, feasible mitigation was identified, which would be imposed on the proposed project as enforceable conditions of approval and implemented prior to issuance of applicable permits as detailed in the MMRP (which would be adopted in connection with the City Council's certification of the EIR). In addition, see Response to SIERRA-1-4 above, and Response to SIERRA-1-6, below.

#### Response to SIERRA-1-6

The commenter urges the lead agency to adopt a list of recommended mitigation measures that the commenter suggests are feasible and would reduce impacts of the proposed project. Some of the recommended measures are based on measures recommended by the State Attorney General and/or other State Agencies to reduce Air Quality and GHG impacts.

For the reasons set forth herein, CEQA does not require the imposition of additional mitigation beyond those measures already identified therein. Therefore, no further response is necessary.

However, for informational purposes the following is noted. As detailed more fully below, with respect to certain measures proposed by the commenter, the project applicants had already

previously agreed to incorporate measures that are substantially similar to several of those suggested by the commenter.

Furthermore, although not required to do so, the project applicants have voluntarily agreed to accept certain of the additional measures, as detailed further below.

A response to each suggested mitigation measure is provided below.

**Suggested Mitigation Measure No. 1:** Construct sufficient solar panels on each building to provide power for the proposed project, to be completed prior to the issuance of the first occupancy permit for the building.

Response: This Final EIR addresses the topic of solar panels on each building as part of the response to GSEJA-31 and Valley Air District 2-12. As described therein, the California Building Standards Code (CBC) requires that nonresidential projects construct their roofs to be solar-ready to accommodate the future installation of solar panels. The proposed project would be required to comply with the foregoing, thereby contributing to improved air quality and making progress toward reducing greenhouse gas emissions through the production of solar energy. Furthermore, the use of solar panels would not reduce air pollutant emissions onsite, because energy source emissions described in the Air Quality Analysis (see Section 3.3 of the Draft EIR) are limited to those generated from the on-site combustion of natural gas due to the inter-regional relationship between land use development projects and the facility generating the electricity. As such, the consideration of electricity-related energy source emissions is limited to GHGs. Moreover, the proposed project would not result in any significant impact related to GHG emissions, as discussed in Section 3.8 of the Draft EIR. Therefore, based on the foregoing reasons and as further documented in Sections 3.3 and 3.8 of the Draft EIR as well as this Final EIR, the suggested mitigation is not required under CEQA.

**Suggested Mitigation Measure No. 2:** Utilize a "clean fleet" of light vehicles/delivery vans/trucks (Class 2 through 6) as part of business operations for all buildings.

Response: The suggested mitigation measure is similar to recommended measures identified in the Draft EIR as well as the Final EIR. Moreover, the commenter's suggestion that the project applicant provide clean fleet vehicles for all light and medium-duty vehicles would be infeasible. Among other reasons, first, the vast majority of light-duty passenger vehicles would be owned and operated by employees of future tenants/users, all of whom are private citizens. As such, neither the project applicants nor the City would be able to mandate or acquire clean fleet vehicles for employees. Other light vehicles/delivery vans/trucks that would access the project site during operations are anticipated to be from third-party vendors. Because it is not anticipated that future tenants occupying the proposed project would own these vehicles, neither the future tenants nor the City would have control over the vehicles accessing the project site and thus neither would have the ability to enforce any such obligation during the life of the proposed project. Rather, the emissions resulting from the vehicles accessing the project site would largely be influenced by regulations (current and future) that would apply to vehicle manufacturers. As described in Response to GSEJA-31,

given the volume of medium-duty vehicles that would be involved as part of the tenants' business operations, practical limitations on the owner's ability to control and enforce such an obligation, along with the current cost and availability of electric vehicles, the suggested mitigation is not feasible. Moreover, the project applicants would be required to provide electric vehicle (EV) charging infrastructure throughout all parking areas as part of MM AIR-1i, which would improve charging infrastructure in the City and help facilitate the transition to electric vehicles. Furthermore, the suggested measure cannot be enforced in a way that would ensure a reduction to potential health impacts. Therefore, based on the foregoing reasons and as further documented in Sections 3.3 and 3.8 of the Draft EIR as well as this Final EIR, the suggested mitigation is not required under CEQA.

**Suggested Mitigation Measure No. 3:** The property owners/tenants/lessees shall ensure that all heavy-duty trucks (Class 7 and 8) domiciled on the project site are model year 2014 or later from start of operations and shall expedite a transition to zero-emission vehicles, with the fleet fully zero-emission by December 31, 2025, or when commercially available for the intended application, whichever date is later.

Response: This Final EIR has explained in detail how the proposed project would include a clean truck fleet during operations to the maximum extent feasible and would satisfy this request. The proposed project would already be required to demonstrate compliance with MM AIR-1d, which requires as a condition of issuance of occupancy permit that applicants of each subsequent property document the use of a clean truck fleet that meets the California ARB adopted 2013 Optional Low-NO<sub>X</sub> standard of 0.02 gram of NO<sub>X</sub> per brake horsepower for all heavy-duty trucks during operation to the maximum extent feasible. Moreover, MM AIR-1i would require the proposed project include EV charging infrastructure pursuant to the Tier 2 Nonresidential Voluntary Measures of the California Green Building Standards Code, Section A5.106.5.3.2 in all parking areas during operation. Therefore, all development as part of the proposed project would be conditioned to demonstrate a clean truck fleet would be operational to the maximum extent feasible when the subject project operations begin. The suggested mitigation measure requiring that the property owners/tenants/lessees ensure that all heavy-duty trucks (Class 7 and 8) domiciled on the project site are model year 2014 or later from start of operations is not feasible, given that neither the project applicants nor the City could effectively impose and enforce such an obligation for the life of the proposed project. Furthermore, the suggested measure of utilizing, to the maximum extent feasible, a clean truck fleet is already included as MM AIR-1d, and providing a fully zero-emission truck fleet by December 31, 2025 is not feasible given the current cost and availability of such vehicles. Therefore, based on the foregoing reasons and as further documented in Sections 3.3 and 3.8 of the Draft EIR as well as the Final EIR, the suggested mitigation is not required under CEQA.

**Suggested Mitigation Measure No. 4:** At all times during project operation, owners, operators, or tenants shall be required to provide electric charging facilities on the project site sufficient to charge all electric trucks domiciled on the site and such facilities shall be made available for all electric trucks that use the project site.

**Response:** The proposed project would be required to comply with MM AIR-1i, which would require the inclusion of EV charging infrastructure pursuant to the Tier 2 Nonresidential Voluntary Measures of the California Green Building Standards Code, Section A5.106.5.3.2, in all parking areas during operation. Therefore, the proposed project would provide EV charging infrastructure that would support passenger vehicles and the future use of electric trucks. Therefore, based on the foregoing reasons and as further documented in Sections 3.3 and 3.8 of the Draft EIR as well as the Final EIR, the suggested mitigation is not required under CEQA.

**Suggested Mitigation Measure No. 5:** Design the proposed project to include a setback of at least 1,000 feet from the nearest homes.

**Response:** The ARB's general recommendation of a 1,000-foot setback is not a legal mandate that would prohibit all new warehouse developments from operating within 1,000 feet of existing receptors. Rather, this suggested setback is merely a general, non-binding guideline. Moreover, to the extent the commenter construes this recommendation as a mandate, the language of the ARB guidance demonstrates this is not the case. Rather, the referenced ARB guidelines also provide that for new warehouses meeting certain criteria that operate within 1,000 feet of new receptors, ARB recommends that a site-specific Health Risk Assessment (HRA) be prepared to fully analyze a project's anticipated health risk impacts. As described in the "Concept Paper for the Freight Handbook," prepared by the ARB, "Transition zone recommendations. . . should not be used as a substitute for site-specific assessments of emissions and health impacts for proposed freight facilities, including those analyses required or recommended as part of federal or State environmental review processes."

Consistent with ARB's guidance, the Draft EIR included the preparation of a robust, sitespecific HRA that fully evaluated the proposed project's estimated health risk impacts on nearby residences and other sensitive receptors and included recommended feasible mitigation. Additionally, the primary source of TACs during operation would be from truck idling and parking activity occurring in the parking areas of the project site. As such, the main source of project TACs would be near docking doors, loading areas, and parking areas where trucks would idle and stop and start engines—not at the boundaries of the project site nearest existing sensitive receptors. As described in the "Concept Paper for the Freight Handbook," prepared by the ARB, physical space or transition zones are implemented to separate sensitive receptors from new freight facilities because creating distance from an emissions source can reduce health risks. The proposed project design would include drainage basins in the northern portion of the project site such that project truck operations would not occur directly adjacent to existing sensitive receptors. Further, the City would review and approve the detailed site plans associated with each individual specific development proposal for the proposed project before any development occurs to confirm compliance with all applicable requirements and standards. Therefore, based on the foregoing reasons and as further documented in Sections 3.3 and 3.8 of the Draft EIR as well as the Final EIR, the suggested mitigation is not required under CEQA.

**Suggested Mitigation Measure No. 6:** Provide a community benefits fund to assist Banta residents and the Banta Elementary School in upgrading air ventilation systems.

Response: The City does not have the legal authority to impose an obligation for the project applicants to provide funds as suggested by the commenter because, among other reasons, there is no legal nexus of this measure to any identified impacts of the proposed project. See Section 3.3 of the Draft EIR as well as this Final EIR for additional detail in this regard. Moreover, the operations of private homes in the Banta community are not under the purview of the owners or operators of the proposed project; thus, there would be no mechanism available to ensure that any such funding would be utilized to install and maintain air filtration systems at sensitive receptor locations within the Banta community. In addition, the suggested measure raises significant implementation issues; e.g., it does not identify which Banta residents would receive such funding, how much would be provided to each recipient, and how such air filtration systems (which heavily rely on continued maintenance and replacing filters) would be effectively maintained. Therefore, based on the foregoing reasons and as further documented in Sections 3.3 and 3.8 of the Draft EIR as well as this Final EIR, the suggested mitigation is not required under CEQA.

**Suggested Mitigation Measure No. 7:** Provide funding to install large signs along Grant Line Road in multiple locations that state trucks are prohibited on the road east of the project site, and design all phases of the proposed project to prohibit left turns on to Grant Line Road.

**Response:** Although not required as mitigation for any impact, the City has agreed to adopt and the project applicants have agreed to expand the requirements in MM AIR-1e to include the suggested measure. The updated MM AIR-1e is provided below (with changes reflected in in underline), in Section 4, Errata, and is also included in the updated MMRP.

Recirculation is required only if the new mitigation measure is considerably different from the alternatives or mitigation measures already evaluated in the Draft EIR; would clearly lessen the proposed project's significant environmental impacts; and is not adopted. Recirculation is required only if each of the above criteria is met (South County Citizens for Smart Growth v. County of Nevada (2013) 221 CA4th 316, 330). Here, as documented in Section 3.3 of the Draft EIR and this Final EIR, this suggested measure is not required under CEQA. Nevertheless, the City has agreed to adopt and the project applicants have voluntarily accepted the inclusion of this mitigation measure; therefore, recirculation is not required.

#### MM AIR-1e Operational Truck Fleet Routing

Prior to the issuance of the certificate of occupancy for each individual development proposal within the project site, the relevant applicant for the subject individual development proposal shall provide the City with reasonable documentation demonstrating that trucks used during project operation for the subject individual development proposal will be prohibited from accessing Grant Line Road east of the project site, such as plans illustrating intended truck routes. <u>Additionally:</u>

A. Prior to the issuance of grading permit, the project applicant shall demonstrate to the City of Tracy Engineering Department plans or designs that show where the project's private drive intersects with Grant Line Road, the applicant shall use a

combination of raised concreate medians (or islands) and/or bollards to prevent trucks from entering the left turn pocket. Truck drivers shall be directed into a dedicated right turn lane onto Grant Line Road. Signage and roadway stripping within the project will also direct drivers to the appropriate lanes as they approach the intersection. The design shall be reviewed and approved by the City of Tracy Engineering Department.

B. Prior to the issuance of occupancy permit for the first building, the Phase I

Developer shall demonstrate to the City of Tracy Public Works Department that the

development shall include new signage warning truck drivers that truck travel

through the Community of Banta is not permitted and a fineable offense shall be

placed along Grant Line Road. Specifically, two signs shall be placed on the north and
south sides of Grant Line Road near its intersection with the project's private drive
and visible to east bound traffic. The exact locations, design and text of the signs
shall be approved by the City of Tracy Public Works department.

All trucks used during project operation shall use routes that circumvent the use of Grant Line Road east of the project site.

As revised, MM AIR-1e would prohibit trucks from accessing Grant Line Road east of the project site by requiring installation of raised concrete medians and/or bollards to prevent trucks from entering the left turn pocket, and by requiring signage along Grant Line Road warning truck drivers that truck travel through the Banta community is not permitted and a fineable offense.

See also Response to SIERRA-1-3 through Response to SIERRA-1-5, above.

#### Response to SIERRA-1-7

The commenter states that it attached a letter to this February 23, 2023, comment letter that is the settlement agreement between the Sierra Club, City of Stockton, and Greenlaw Development, LLC, for a project that would develop a 203-acre industrial park. The commenter further elaborates that the State Attorney General signed a separate Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the City of Stockton and the developer that includes many of the measures listed previously. The commenter states that they have commented on other warehouse projects in the City and incorporate by reference those other letters as well as the public comment letter by the Golden State Environmental Justice Alliance.

This comment has been noted. No response needed as no new concerns raised. CEQA directs commentors to focus on specific environmental issues associated with the proposed project and the proposed project's environmental document. To the extent this comment attempts to incorporate letters related to a separate project and unrelated environmental analysis, no further response is required as the comments are not focused on the proposed project. Contrary to the commenter's assertion, there is no substantial evidence in the record to document why or how comments made on an unrelated Costco project and its separate environmental review, which is being pursued by a different applicant on a different site, are "very germane and applicable" to the proposed project.

Thus, there is no basis for "incorporating by reference" such comments; brief, generalized statements by the commenter, apparently based solely on the fact that each project proposes a warehouse-type light industrial use is not sufficient for purposes of exhausting any such issues. Moreover, the commenter's failure to specifically identify the purported "flaws" in the EIR for the proposed project—instead seeking to rely on a "shortcut" of generally referencing a separate proposal with a separate CEQA document—does not provide the City with an opportunity to thoughtfully respond to specific comments at hand, contrary to CEQA.

No further response is necessary.

See Response to GSEJA-1 through Response to GSEJA-37 for responses to the comment letter by the Golden State Environmental Justice Alliance.

See also Response to SIERRA-1-3, above.

#### Response to SIERRA-1-8

The commenter refers to the published document from the State Attorney General, *Warehouse Projects: Best Practices and Mitigation Measures to Comply with the California Environmental Quality Act*, which includes measures to reduce air quality and GHG impacts. This document includes measures such as setbacks between sensitive receptors and new warehouse uses.

The comment is noted. Because it does not raise any specific CEQA comments with respect to the proposed project, no response is necessary.

For informational purposes, see also Response to SIERRA-1-3 and Response to SIERRA-1-6, above.

#### Response to SIERRA-1-9

The commenter restates text from the Draft EIR describing where existing sensitive receptors are located in relation to the project site.

This comment has been noted. Because it does not raise any specific CEQA comments with respect to the proposed project, no further response is required.

## Response to SIERRA-1-10

The commenter requests that the Final EIR include a new mitigation measure that ensures all phases of the project provide a minimum 1,000-foot setback between the nearest residence and the proposed project that includes landscaping, earthen berms, and mature trees.

See Response to SIERRA-1-6, above, regarding the suggested mitigation of a 1,000-foot setback. See also Section 3.3 of the Draft EIR for additional information as to why the suggested mitigation is not triggered under CEQA. No further response is required.

For informational purposes, the following is noted. The proposed project would be required to include a vegetative buffer along the eastern property boundary of the project site pursuant to MM AIR-1h. This mitigation measure was requested by the San Joaquin Valley Air District (Valley Air District), and accepted by the City and the project applicants, and states the following: "Prior to the issuance of building permit(s) for each individual development proposal within the project site, the

relevant applicant for the subject individual development proposal shall demonstrate on their site plans the inclusion of a vegetative buffer along the eastern property line of the project site adjacent to sensitive receptors. Examples of vegetative buffers may include, but are not limited to, trees, bushes, shrubs, or a mix thereof." As discussed more fully throughout this Final EIR, MM AIR-1h further addresses the concern related to the proposed project's potential to locate sources of TACs near sensitive receptors. Furthermore, with incorporation of MM AIR-1h, the proposed project satisfies the commenter's request that the proposed project include landscaping, earthen berms, and mature trees. Therefore, based on the foregoing reasons and as further documented in Sections 3.3 and 3.8 of the Draft EIR as well as this Final EIR, the suggested mitigation is not required under CEQA.

#### Response to SIERRA-1-11

The commenter requests that the City consider an ordinance for future projects that establishes development standards for the construction of industrial warehousing and distribution facilities that exceed 100,000 square feet before December 31, 2023.

The comment is noted. This comment does not raise any CEQA concerns with respect to the EIR for the proposed project, and instead involves a requested action directed to the City that is only within its land use purview. The commenter's opinion is noted and will be included in the administrative record for consideration by the City decision-makers. No further response is required.

#### Response to SIERRA-1-12

The commenter provides conclusion statements and requests that the aforementioned suggested mitigation measures be included as part of the proposed project.

See Response to SIERRA-1-3 through Response to SIERRA-1-6, above. No further response is required.



February 8, 2023

Tracy City Council 333 Civic Center Plaza Tracy, California Via e-mail

Re: Comments on Tracy Alliance warehouse project and Final Environmental Impact Report Dear Tracy City Council:

The Sierra Club submits the following comments on the Tracy Alliance warehouse project and Final Environmental Impact Report (FEIR). The Sierra Club also requests that notices of scheduled public hearings and availability of documents relating to all large proposed industrial development projects be sent to us. Please send digital copes of notices by e-mail to Eric Parfrey at parfrey@sbcglobal.net.

We are requesting that the Council not approve this large warehouse project unless the following specific air quality, greenhouse gas emissions, and project setback measures are included in the project's conditions of approval:

- · sufficient solar panels to provide power for the project
- utilize a "clean fleet" of light vehicles/delivery vans/trucks (Class 2 through 6) as part of business operations
- adopt standards to provide 100% electrification of all heavy-duty trucks (Class 7 and 8) domiciled on the project site by end of 2025 or when commercially available for the intended application, whichever date is later
- provide electric charging facilities on the project site sufficient to charge all electric trucks and employee vehicles
- design the project to include a setback of at least 500 feet from the nearest homes
- provide a community benefits fund to assist Banta residents and the Banta elementary school in upgrading air ventilation systems
- provide funding to install large signs along Grant Line Road in multiple locations that state trucks are prohibited on the road east of the project site, and design the project to prohibit left turns on to Grant Line Road

## Background

San Joaquin County along with other inland areas of California have seen an explosion of very large warehouse development due to demand from Internet shopping. Distribution warehouses have been concentrated in locations with access to major metropolitan markets in southern and northern California such as the Inland Empire (Riverside and San Bernardino counties) and now in San Joaquin and other counties of the Central Valley. These projects have the potential, if not adequately mitigated, for adding large numbers of heavy duty trucks and contributing to an increase in poor air quality in the Central Valley.

The Sierra Club together with other community organizations has been actively involved in warehouse projects throughout the state and has secured very meaningful mitigation programs along with environmental justice and community organizations to address heavy duty diesel truck emissions and protect the primarily disadvantaged neighborhoods that are most affected by the new warehouses.

For the last several months the Club has been carefully monitoring and commenting on environmental analyses of proposed large warehouse distribution projects in San Joaquin County, including in the cities of Stockton, Manteca, Lathrop, and Tracy

In Tracy, our attorneys Shute, Mihaly, and Weinberger submitted extensive comments to the City regarding the Costco project Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) on October 31, 2022. We followed up with a letter of December 6, 2022 which stated the following, which is also applicable to this Tracy Alliance project:

...[T]he Sierra Club has serious concerns about the environmental impacts of the Project as currently proposed, and the DEIR substantially understates, and fails to fully analyze, the severity and extent of significant project-related effects on air quality, greenhouse gas ("GHG") emissions, and public health. In particular, we noted that the environmental documentation for the Project is inadequate in that the DEIR identifies virtually no mitigation measures to reduce the Project's impacts, even though such measures are readily available, feasible, and commonly required.

In our December 6 letter we attached the executed Settlement Agreement (Attachment A to this letter) between the Sierra Club, the City of Stockton, and Greenlaw Development, LLC (developer of the proposed 203-acre Mariposa Industrial Park in the South Stockton area).

In addition, the State Attorney General (AG) signed a separate Memorandum of Understanding with the City of Stockton and the developer which includes the same measures that were included in the Sierra Club settlement (Attachment B to this letter).

We incorporate by reference our two letters on the Costco project and DEIR, as they are very germane and applicable to this Tracy Alliance project and FEIR.

The issue of requiring adequate mitigation for local distribution warehouse projects has recently come to the attention of the State Attorney General's Office (AG). The office has recently published a very helpful guide, updated in 2022, called "Warehouse Projects: Best Practices and Mitigation

Measures to Comply with the California Environmental Quality Act" (Attachment C to this letter) and has become actively involved in commenting on projects and negotiating with local agencies to secure additional needed mitigation. The Sierra Club appreciates the AG's actions and has worked to support their advocacy in several cities.

For example, earlier this year the Sierra Club initiated litigation and negotiated a settlement agreement with the City of Fontana. The AG also negotiated a memorandum of agreement in Fontana to resolve air quality and other issues for a large warehouse project located adjacent to a high school (see https://oag.ca.gov/news/press-releases/attorney-general-bonta-announces-innovative-settlement-city-fontana-address).

We are making similar requests in comment letters on pending warehouse projects in the cities of Lathrop, Manteca, and in unincorporated San Joaquin County.

If enacted by all jurisdictions in San Joaquin County, a standard set of air quality and greenhouse gas emission standards will create a level playing field for all warehouse developers and protect the health of San Joaquin County residents and lessen the impacts of climate change.

# Additional Air Quality/GHG Mitigation Measures That Must be Approved by Tracy City Council for the Tracy Alliance Project

The California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) requires lead agencies to adopt all feasible mitigation measures to reduce impacts of a development project, even if the environmental analysis finds that the impacts are "significant and unavoidable." [cite]

The following specific measures would mitigate (reduce) the project's air quality and greenhouse emissions impacts. These are the same measures that were recommended by the Attorney General and state regulatory agencies such as the California Air Resources Board (CARB) for the Mariposa project in south Stockton.

- The project shall include sufficient solar panels on the roofs of the project's building or in the parking lot to provide power for the operation's base power use at the start of operations and as base power use demand increases. To be clear, enough solar panels to power each individual building must be constructed at the same time the building is finished, and in operation prior to the first occupancy permit issued by the City.
- The project shall adopt standards to provide 100% electrification under the clean fleet
  requirements The property owner/tenant/lessee shall ensure that all heavy-duty trucks
  (Class 7 and 8) domiciled on the project site are model year 2014 or later from start of
  operations and shall expedite a transition to zero-emission vehicles, with the fleet fully
  zero-emission by December 31, 2025 or when commercially available for the intended
  application, whichever date is later.
- The property owner/tenant/lessee shall utilize a "clean fleet" of vehicles/delivery vans/trucks (Class 2 through 6) as part of business operations

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At all times during project operation, owners, operators or tenants shall be required to provide
electric charging facilities on the project site sufficient to charge all electric trucks domiciled
on the site and such facilities shall be made available for all electric trucks that use the
project site.

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## Require Setbacks from the Nearest Residences

The EIR notes on page 3.3-42 that the closest sensitive receptors to the project site are single-family residences and Banta Elementary School. The closest sensitive receptors to the project site are located at the following distances:

- · Residences as close as 145 feet west of the project site across Paradise Road;
- · Residences immediately adjacent to the project site to the east along Grant Line Road;
- · Residences as close as 120 feet south of the project site across Grant Line Road;
- · Residences as close as 60 feet north of the project site across California Avenue; and
- Banta Elementary School approximately 1,500 feet to the east at its closest outside area.

With so many residences and the school located in proximity to the project, it is dismaying that nowhere in the DEIR is there an analysis about required setbacks. For example, the DEIR fails to analyze how the site plan for Phase 3 of the project could be conditioned to guarantee a minimum setback from the nearest residence of at least 500 feet. This required setback would mitigate air quality, aesthetic, noise, and other impacts generated by the project.

The Final EIR must include the following mitigation measure, which is available and feasible:

 The site plan for Phase 3 of the project shall ensure a minimum setback from the nearest residence of at least 500 feet. The setback area shall be landscaped with an earthen berm and mature trees and shrubs

## Require a Community Benefits Fund to Pay for HVAC Upgrades

The EIR fails to include any analysis of measures that could be adopted to mitigate air quality impacts by funding improvements to the HVAC and ventilation systems of nearby homes and Banta Elementary School. Such a measure could be implemented through the adoption of a development agreement signed between the developer and the City.

As part of the negotiated settlement agreement for the Mariposa project in south Stockton, the developer agreed to fund a \$200,000 community benefits program that will be used for specific improvements, including upgrades to nearby residents HVAC systems to mitigate air quality impacts. The community benefits program will be administered by a local non-profit organization.

The development agreement signed between the City and developer must include the following program, modeled on the Stockton example:

 The project development agreement shall include a community benefits program that will be used for specific improvements to benefit the Banta community, including upgrades to 7

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nearby residents and the elementary school HVAC systems to mitigate air quality impacts. The program could also fund water filtration systems for the school and /or residents.

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 The project shall install one open source air quality monitoring station near the site that can be monitored in rea time by Banta residents

# Require Mitigation to Prohibit Heavy Duty Trucks on Grant Line Road

The Final EIR includes a measure that requires the developer to prepare a signage plan but includes no details or standards for the plan. Prohibiting truck travel on Grant Line Road through the Banta community is a critical component of the project's mitigation strategy. Standards must be established as a condition of approval. The project's site plan must also be amended to prohibit left turn lanes from the project on to Grant Line Road.

The project conditions of approval shall include the following:

- The developer shall prepare a signage plan that includes funding to install large (minimum size of four by six feet) digital signs along Grant Line Road in multiple locations that state trucks are prohibited on the road east of the project site. The City shall work with the developer, California Highway Patrol, and San Joaquin County to ensure that the prohibition is enforced. The developer shall fund the installation of cameras along Grant Line Road by Banta School to enforce and ticket noncompliant truck traffic
- The site plans for the project shall locate the truck entrance and exit into the complex to be constructed the farthest away from residents on California Avenue. The intersection of the entrance/exit to the project from Grant Line Road shall be designed to physically prohibit left turns on to Grant Line Road and shall include a median on Grant Line Road to prohibit left turns.
- · Truck traffic shall be limited during school hours

#### Adopt a Warehouse Ordinance

In addition to the above measures, the Sierra Club is requesting that the City of Tracy draft and consider a comprehensive Warehouse Sustainability Ordinance for future projects that establishes development standards for the construction of industrial warehousing and distribution facilities that exceed 100,000 square feet before December 31, 2023. The City of Stockton has agreed to this timeline.

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#### Conclusion

We are formally requesting that the above mitigation measures be included as part of the Tracy Alliance project approval.

Please be advised that the Sierra Club will continue to monitor and comment on every proposed warehouse project in the City of Tracy (as well as in the Cities of Manteca, Lathrop, Stockton, and San Joaquin County). If future projects fail to incorporate the measures as recommended by the Attorney General and CARB, the Sierra Club will consider litigation to enforce inclusion of these measures in project approvals.

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The City of Tracy, along with the other jurisdictions in San Joaquin County, must to address the very serious health, air pollution, and energy impacts of the rapidly growing distribution warehouse development in our communities. Applicants must do all that is possible to minimize the very real environmental impacts that warehouse development projects pose.

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We are available to meet with your staff and applicants at any time to further discuss the programs that may be implemented to achieve our mutual goals.

Sincerely, s/s Margo Praus, Chair

Delta-Sierra Group, Sierra Club

cc: Scott Lichtig, California Attorney General's Office

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Manteca City Council

Lathrop City Council

Attachment A: Sierra Club Settlement Agreement with City of Stockton

Attachment B: Attorney General's Memorandum of Agreement with City of Stockton

Attachment C: Attorney General's report "Warehouse Projects: Best Practices and Mitigation

Measures to Comply with the California Environmental Quality Act"

## Sierra Club (SIERRA-2)

#### Response to SIERRA-2-1

The commenter provides an introduction and requests that notices of scheduled public hearings and availability of documents relating to all large proposed industrial development projects be sent to the commenter.

The comment is noted and acknowledged. This comment does not raise any specific project-related environmental issues under CEQA, and therefore no further response is required.

#### Response to SIERRA-2-2

The commenter requests the City Council not approve the proposed project unless the commenter's specific listed mitigation measures are included as conditions of approval. The commenter then states the CEQA requirement for all lead agencies to adopt feasible mitigation measures that reduce impacts of a development. The commenter urges the lead agency to adopt a list of recommended mitigation measures that the commenter suggests are feasible and would reduce impacts of the proposed project. Some of the recommended measures are based on measures recommended by the State Attorney General and/or other State Agencies to reduce Air Quality and GHG impacts.

The issues raised herein have been thoroughly addressed in Responses to SIERRA-1-5 and -6. No additional response is required.

#### Response to SIERRA-2-3

The commenter provides background information on increases of warehouse development in San Joaquin County and other inland areas of California, and that the commenter is actively involved in these warehouse projects. The commenter states that it attached a letter that is the settlement agreement between the Sierra Club, City of Stockton, and Greenlaw Development, LLC, for a project that would develop a 203-acre industrial park. The commenter further elaborates that the State Attorney General signed a separate MOU with the City of Stockton and the developer that includes many of the measures listed previously. And the Attorney General also negotiated a memorandum of agreement in Fontana for a warehouse project.

The issues raised herein have been thoroughly addressed in Response to SIERRA-1-7. No additional response is required.

#### Response to SIERRA-2-4

The commenter states that CEQA requires lead agencies to adopt all feasible mitigation measures to reduce impacts of a development project, even if the environmental analysis finds that the impacts are significant and unavoidable.

The issue raised herein has been thoroughly addressed in Responses to SIERRA-1-5 and -6. No additional response is required.

## Response to SIERRA-2-5

The commenter urges the lead agency to adopt a list of recommended mitigation measures that the commenter suggests are feasible and would reduce impacts of the proposed project. Some of the

recommended measures are based on measures recommended by the State Attorney General and/or other State Agencies to reduce Air Quality and GHG impacts.

The issues raised herein have been thoroughly addressed in Responses to SIERRA-1-5 and SIERRA-1-6. No additional response is required.

#### Response to SIERRA-2-6

The commenter restates text from the Draft EIR describing where existing sensitive receptors are located in relation to the project site.

The issue raised herein has been thoroughly addressed in Response to SIERRA-1-9. No additional response is required.

#### Response to SIERRA-2-7

The commenter requests that the Final EIR include a new mitigation measure that ensures all phases of the project provide a minimum 500-foot setback between the nearest residence and the proposed project that includes landscaping, earthen berms, and mature trees.

A similar comment which requested a more conservative, 1,000-foot setback from nearest residence is addressed in Response to SIERRA-1-10. No additional response is required.

#### Response to SIERRA-2-8

The commenter requests analysis and mitigation measure of funding HVAC improvements for nearby homes and Banta Elementary School. The commenter also requests the project to install one open source air quality monitoring station near the project site that can be monitored in real time by Banta residents.

The comment related to funding HVAC improvements has been thoroughly addressed in Response to SIERRA-1-6. No additional response is required.

The suggested measure of installing one open source air quality monitoring station near the project site does would reduce any air quality or GHG impact, since monitoring in and of itself does not reduce emissions. Furthermore, the commenter does not provide any information on why monitoring would be beneficial to the community. Because the suggested measure would not reduce an environmental impact caused by the project, there is no legal nexus of this measure to any identified impacts of the proposed project. Therefore, the suggested mitigation is neither required under CEQA nor would it reduce any impact from the project. No additional response is required.

#### Response to SIERRA-2-9

The commenter requests enforcement measures to prohibit truck traffic on Grant Line Road east of the project site, including signage plan, installation of cameras, siting truck entry away from residents on California Avenue, implementing physical barrier to prevent illegal truck turns, and limiting truck traffic to occur outside of school hours.

The issue raised herein has been thoroughly addressed in Response to SIERRA-1-6. No additional response is required.

#### Response to SIERRA-2-10

The commenter requests that the City consider an ordinance for future projects that establishes development standards for the construction of industrial warehousing and distribution facilities that exceed 100,000 square feet before December 31, 2023.

The issue raised herein has been thoroughly addressed in Response to SIERRA-1-11. No additional response is required.

## Response to SIERRA-2-11

The commenter provides conclusion statements and requests that the aforementioned suggested mitigation measures be included as part of the proposed project. See Response to SIERRA-1-3 through Response to SIERRA-1-6. No further response is required.



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From: Genna McIntosh < <a href="mailto:sennamcintosh15@gmail.com">sennamcintosh15@gmail.com</a>>

Sent: Monday, August 29, 2022 6:18 PM

To: Victoria Lombardo < Victoria.Lombardo@cityoftracy.org>

Subject: Comments on Tracy Alliance Project EIR (SCH NO. 20200805524)

August 29, 2022

Victoria Lombardo, Senior Planner Clty of Tracy Development Services 333 Civic Center Plaza Tracy, California 95376

Subject: Comments on Tracy Alliance Project EIR (SCH NO. 20200805524)

Dear Ms. Lombardo,

During the May 25th 2022 Planning Commission meeting, I spoke about the project on the north east corner of our city, the Tracy Alliance Project. Since that meeting some things have come to my attention.

What is concerning is the lack of addressing an Environmental Justice element.

In 2016, Senate Bill 1000 signed in 2016, requires all cities and counties in California to include environmental justice goals and policies to their General Plan. <a href="https://oag.ca.gov/environment/sb1000">https://oag.ca.gov/environment/sb1000</a>

SB 1000 references that in local land use planning, cities are required to update their General Plan to include an Environmental Justice element when 2 or more elements have been amended/updated which would have occurred with our land use and housing general plan element updates. <a href="https://www.cityoftracy.org/home/showpublisheddocument/906/637451218789130000">https://www.cityoftracy.org/home/showpublisheddocument/906/637451218789130000</a>

When I spoke at that May 25th meeting I was unaware of how my community is considered a Disadvantaged Community on Calenviroscreen and it raises the following questions:

Where are the environmental justice elements to this EIR?

Has the City reviewed and or adopted any of the AG Warehouse Project Best Practices?

https://oag.ca.gov/sites/all/files/agweb/pdfs/environment/warehouse-best-practices.pdf

Is the city utilizing the CalEnviroScreen to identify Disadvantaged Communities? (CalEPA's SB 535 "Disadvantaged Communities" Mapping Tool).

Did the public comment period reflect the OAG best practice of community engagement? https://oag.ca.gov/system/files/media/warehouse-best-practices.pd

As Tracy strives to build an economically, diverse, healthy and robust community the residents expect full transparency, accountability and communication to be more actively engaged. Concerned Citizens for Tracy Alliance Project, Concerned Citizens for TAP, requests to be added to the public interest list regarding any subsequent environmental documents, public notices, public hearings, and notices of determination for this project. Send all communications to <a href="mailto:concernedCitizensforTAP@gmail.org">ConcernedCitizensforTAP@gmail.org</a>

Respectfully, Genna McIntosh



## Individual

## Genna McIntosh (MCINTOSH-3)

Response to MCINTOSH-3-1

The commenter notes participation at a May 25, 2022 Planning Commission meeting, and notes a lack of an Environmental Justice Element.

This comment does not raise any specific project-related environmental issues under CEQA and therefore no further response is required. However, for informational purposes, the following is noted.

A General Plan must include an Environmental Justice element when the local jurisdiction proposes to adopt or revise at least two elements concurrently, pursuant to SB 1000.

Since SB 1000 went into effect, the City of Tracy has updated only the Land Use Element of its General Plan. The Housing Element was updated in 2016, prior to SB 1000. Therefore, because the City has not updated more than one element concurrently since SB 1000 went into effect on January 1, 2018, the requirement to include an Environmental Justice element has not been triggered. If and to the extent such requirement is triggered in the future, the City will be required to comply with applicable law.

#### Response to MCINTOSH-3-2

The commenter noted a previous lack of awareness that her community (unincorporated Banta) is identified as a Disadvantaged Community on CalEnviroScreen. The commenter also noted that this raises several questions regarding inclusion of an Environmental Justice analysis in the Draft EIR, and whether the City has reviewed and/or adopted the "AG Warehouse Project Best Practices."

This comment is noted and acknowledged, but because it does not raise any specific project-related environmental issues under CEQA, no further response is required. However, for informational purposes, the following is noted.

While the Banta community may experience some existing pollution burden, the Banta community is not identified as part of an area which has different significance thresholds from those recommended by the Valley Air District. Refer to Response to GSEJA-3 and GSEJA-26 regarding Environmental Justice; see also Response to Mcintosh 3-3. Regarding the California Attorney General's *Warehouse Projects: Best Practices and Mitigation Measures to Comply with the California Environmental Quality Act*, the Attorney General's letter provides examples of the AG's position with respect to best practices for siting warehouses but does not constitute legally enforceable requirements on facility siting. The Draft EIR, Section 3.3, Air Quality, included feasible mitigation measures to reduce potential air quality impacts. Furthermore, as discussed in Response to Valley Air District-2-5, to further reduce potential health impacts to the nearest sensitive receptors, new MM AIR-1e is added to Section 3.3, Air Quality, of the Draft EIR. These changes can be seen in Section 3.1 of the Errata. No further analysis or mitigation measures are required under CEQA.

#### Response to MCINTOSH-3-3

The commenter raises the question whether the City is utilizing the CalEnviroScreen to identify disadvantaged communities (Cal/EPA's SB 535 "Disadvantaged Communities" Mapping Tool).

This comment is noted and acknowledged, but because it does not raise any specific project-related environmental issues under CEQA, no further response is required. However, for informational purposes, the following is noted.

CalEnviroScreen is a general mapping tool developed by the California Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment (OEHHA) to help identify California communities that are most affected by sources of pollution.

The environmental effects of the proposed project are fully evaluated in the Draft EIR, and feasible mitigation measures are identified to reduce identified significant impacts. An adjacent area (Banta) is designated by Cal/EPA as being part of a disadvantaged community for the purpose of SB 535; however, Banta is outside of the City's SOI. The City of Tracy does not have any disadvantaged communities within its SOI. SB 535 targets disadvantaged communities in California for investment of proceeds from the State's Cap and Trade Program to improve public health, quality of life, and economic opportunity in California's most burdened communities, while also reducing pollution. The CalEnviroScreen general mapping tool was not developed for use in evaluating potential impacts under CEQA, and utilizing this tool is not required under CEQA.

The proposed project entails the development of three industrial warehouse and distribution buildings and related improvements, which would bring jobs and other economic opportunities to the local area without State assistance. The environmental effects of the proposed project are fully evaluated in the Draft EIR, and feasible mitigation measures are identified for the identified significant impacts that are within the City of Tracy's jurisdictional authority to impose and enforce as required by CEQA. The Draft EIR provides a disclosure of localized impacts. As described in the methodology section under Section 3.3, Air Quality, the Draft EIR's analysis was based on the applicable Valley Air District guidelines and thresholds and is supported by substantial evidence based, in part, on project-specific information. Furthermore, as discussed in Response to Valley Air District-2-5, to further reduce potential health impacts to the nearest sensitive receptors, new MM AIR-1e is added to Section 3.3, Air Quality, of the Draft EIR. These changes can be seen in Section 3.1 of the Errata. Additionally, refer to Response to GSEJA-3.

## Response to MCINTOSH-3-4

The commenter raises the question whether community engagement occurred during the public comment period as recommended by the OAG.

This comment is noted and acknowledged, but because it does not raise any specific project-related environmental issues under CEQA, no further response is required. However, for informational purposes, the following is noted.

Opportunities for public participation is a mandated and essential part of the CEQA process. Pursuant to CEQA, the City held a duly noticed public scoping meeting on September 9, 2020, at which no public comments were submitted, Additionally, the City's Planning Commission held a duly

noticed public meeting on May 25, 2022 for the purpose of receiving oral and written comments on the Draft EIR, and opportunities to review and comment on the Draft EIR and related appendices were provided both electronically and via hard copies. Therefore, the environmental review process for the proposed project exceeds CEQA's requirements for public participation.

#### Response to MCINTOSH-3-5

The commenter requested that Concerned Citizens for Tracy Alliance Project (TAP) be added to the public interest list regarding any subsequent environmental documents, public notices, public hearings, and notices of determination for this project.

Comment is noted and acknowledged. Concerned Citizens for TAP will be included in future notices for the proposed project. No further response is required.



# **SECTION 4: ERRATA**

The following are revisions to the Draft EIR for the Tracy Alliance Project. These revisions are minor refinements and revisions to the document that merely amplify and clarify the analysis herein, and do not change the significance of any of the environmental issue conclusions within the Draft EIR or otherwise require recirculation of the Draft EIR. The revisions are listed by page number. All additions to the text are underlined (underlined) and all deletions from the text are stricken (stricken).

## 4.1 - Changes in Response to Specific Comments

#### **Revisions to Sources**

The footnote sources for the Tracy Municipal Services Review are updated to the following to provide a working link:

De Novo Planning Group. 2019. Tracy Municipal Services Review. Website: https://www.sjgov.org/docs/default-source/local-agency-formation-commission-documents/municipal-services-and-spheres-of-influence/cities/tracy---july-2019.pdf?sfvrsn=aa988a63\_2. Accessed: July 25, 2022.

#### **Executive Summary**

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#### Significant Unavoidable Adverse Impacts

- Project-Level Impact Related to Implementation of the Applicable Air Quality Plan: The proposed project is consistent with the site's General Plan designation which means the proposed industrial use was accounted for in the Air Quality Plan (AQP) land use projections. However, the proposed project could create a localized violation of State or federal air quality standards, significantly contribute to cumulative non-attainment pollutant violations, and expose sensitive receptors to substantial pollutant concentrations. The proposed project would be required to implement MM AIR-1a through MM AIR-41i; however, because full implementation of the mitigation cannot be guaranteed due to potential technical and/or financial infeasibility, the proposed project's potentially significant impact is conservatively identified as significant and unavoidable. Therefore, the proposed project is inconsistent with Criterion 1 of the AQP even after the incorporation of mitigation. The impact would be significant and unavoidable.
- Project-Level Impact Related to Cumulatively Considerable Net Increase of reactive organic gases (ROG) and carbon monoxide (CO) During Construction, and ROG and oxides of nitrogen (NO<sub>X</sub>) During Operation: The construction schedule for the proposed project assumed that none of the three project phases would overlap. In this scenario, after the incorporation of MMs AIR-1a and AIR-1b, construction of the proposed project would not exceed the San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District (Valley Air District) daily emission screening levels for an Ambient Air Quality Analysis (AAQA), pursuant to District Rule 2201.

However, the potential remains for project phases to be constructed concurrently. If the three phases of construction occur concurrently, emissions of ROG and CO would exceed the Valley Air District's significance thresholds if all three project phases were constructed concurrently. As such, this impact would remain significant and unavoidable after implementation of identified mitigation.

During operation, unmitigated emissions would exceed Valley Air District thresholds of significance for ROGs and NO $_{\rm X}$ . Therefore, MM AIR-1c through MM AIR-1i and MM AIR-1d would be required to mitigate operational emissions to below Valley Air District thresholds. However, the full implementation of MM AIR-1c through MM AIR-1i and MM AIR-1d cannot be guaranteed during project operation; therefore, the reasonable worst-case operational emissions would exceed the Valley Air District's significance thresholds for ROG and NO $_{\rm X}$  and this impact would remain significant and unavoidable.

Project-Level Impact Related to Exposing Sensitive Receptors to Substantial Pollutant
 Concentrations: During construction, if all three project phases were constructed
 concurrently, the proposed project would expose sensitive receptors to CO and diesel
 particulate matter (DPM) emissions that exceed applicable thresholds even with mitigation
 incorporated. During operation, the proposed project would expose sensitive receptors to
 ROGs, NO<sub>x</sub>, and DPM levels that exceed applicable thresholds even after incorporation of
 identified mitigation resulting in a significant and unavoidable impact.

Page ES-50, Table ES-1: Executive Summary Matrix

Impact	Level of Significance Before Mitigation	Mitigation Measures	Level of Significance After Mitigation
Impact AIR-1: The proposed project could conflict with or obstruct implementation of the applicable air quality plan.	Potentially Significant	<ul> <li>MM AIR-1a: NO<sub>X</sub> Reduction Measures</li> <li>Prior to the issuance of grading or building permits for each individual development proposal within the project site, the relevant applicant for each development proposal shall provide documentation to the City of Tracy demonstrating the following NO<sub>X</sub> reduction measures would be adhered to during construction activities for the relevant development proposal:</li> <li>For all construction equipment and vehicles used during project construction that are equal to or greater than 250 horsepower, the contractor shall use construction equipment and vehicles that meet the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Tier 4 Final engine standards;</li> <li>For all construction equipment and vehicles used during project construction that are less than 250 horsepower, the contractor shall use electric construction equipment and vehicles to the extent feasible, with the exception of handheld generator sets; and</li> </ul>	Significant and Unavoidable

Impact	Level of Significance Before Mitigation	Mitigation Measures	Level of Significance After Mitigation
		<ul> <li>All generator sets utilized during project construction shall be limited to 5 horsepower and shall only be used to power handheld power tools.</li> <li>The construction contractor shall maintain reasonable records concerning its efforts to comply with this requirement, including equipment lists. Documentation that each relevant applicant provides to the City shall include, but is not limited to, equipment type, equipment manufacturer, equipment identification number, engine model year, engine certification (Tier rating), horsepower, and engine serial number.</li> </ul>	
		MM AIR-1b: "Super-Compliant" Architectural Coatings Prior to the issuance of grading or building permits for each individual development proposal within the project site, the relevant applicant for each development shall provide the City with documentation demonstrating the use of "Super-Compliant" architectural coatings, as defined by the South Coast Air Quality Management District (South Coast AQMD), during construction of the proposed project. "Super-Compliant" architectural coatings, as defined by the South Coast AQMD, are paints which do not exceed 10 grams of reactive organic gas (ROG) per liter of paint.	
		MM AIR-1c: "Zero-VOC" Consumer Products  Prior to issuance of building permits for each individual development proposal within the project site, the relevant applicant for each development shall provide the City with documentation requiring the consumer products purchased by the building occupant(s) or by the cleaning business contracted by the building occupant(s) for onsite use shall consist of water-based or "zero volatile organic compound [VOC]" consumer products, to the maximum extent feasible. "Consumer products," as referred to in this mitigation measure, shall include detergents, cleaning compounds, polishes, and floor finishes. "Consumer products," as referred to in this mitigation measure, shall not include parking lot degreasers, architectural coatings, pesticides, or fertilizers.	
		MM AIR-1d: Clean Truck Fleet Prior to the issuance of the certificate of occupancy for each individual development proposal within the project site, the relevant applicant for the subject individual development proposal shall provide the City with reasonable documentation demonstrating the use of a clean truck fleet that meets the California Air Resources	

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Impact	Level of Significance Before Mitigation	Mitigation Measures	Level of Significance After Mitigation
		Board's adopted 2013 Optional Low-NO <sub>x</sub> Standard of 0.02 gram of nitrogen oxide (NO <sub>x</sub> ) per brake horsepower hour for all heavy-duty trucks during operation of the proposed project, to the maximum extent feasible. If the relevant applicant does not own the truck fleet that will be used during operation of the subject individual development, the relevant applicant shall provide the City with reasonable documentation from the truck fleet owner demonstrating that trucks utilized for operation of the subject individual development will meet the California 2013 Optional Low-NO <sub>x</sub> Standard, to the maximum extent feasible. If any change occurs where a new truck fleet is utilized during operation of the subject individual development, the relevant applicant shall provide the City with reasonable documentation demonstrating that the new truck fleet meets the California 2013 Optional Low-NO <sub>x</sub> Standard of 0.02 gram per brake horsepower hour, to the maximum extent feasible. Prior to the issuance of the certificate of occupancy for each phase of the proposed project, the relevant applicant for the individual development proposal within the project site shall provide the City with reasonable documentation demonstrating the use of a clean truck fleet that meets the California Air Resources Board's adopted 2013 Optional Low-NO <sub>x</sub> Standard of 0.02 gram of nitrogen oxide (NO <sub>x</sub> ) per brake horsepower hour for all heavy-duty trucks during operation of the proposed project, to the maximum extent feasible. If the relevant applicant does not own the truck fleet that will be used during operation of each phase of the proposed project, the relevant applicant shall provide the City with reasonable documentation from the truck fleet owner demonstrating that trucks utilized for operation of the individual development at issue will meet the California 2013 Optional Low-NO <sub>x</sub> Standard, to the maximum extent feasible. If any change occurs where a new truck fleet is utilized during operation of the individual development at issue, the releva	
		MM AIR-1e: Operational Truck Fleet Routing Prior to the issuance of the certificate of occupancy for each individual development proposal within the project site, the relevant applicant for the subject individual development proposal shall provide the City with reasonable documentation demonstrating that trucks	

Impact	Level of Significance Before Mitigation	Mitigation Measures	Level of Significance After Mitigation
		used during project operation for the subject individual development proposal will be prohibited from accessing Grant Line Road east of the project site, such as plans illustrating intended truck routes. Additionally:	
		A. Prior to the issuance of grading permit, the project applicant shall demonstrate to the City of Tracy Engineering Department plans or designs that show where the project's private drive intersects with Grant	
		Line Road, the applicant shall use a combination of raised concreate medians (or islands) and/or bollards to prevent trucks from entering the left turn pocket. Truck drivers shall be directed into a dedicated right turn lane onto Grant Line Road. Signage and roadway stripping within	
		the project will also direct drivers to the appropriate lanes as they approach the intersection. The design shall be reviewed and approved by the City of Tracy Engineering Department.	
		B. Prior to the issuance of occupancy permit for the first building, the Phase I Developer shall demonstrate to the City of Tracy Public Works Department that the development shall include new signage warning truck	
		drivers that truck travel through the Community of Banta is not permitted and a fineable offense shall be placed along Grant Line Road. Specifically, two signs shall be placed on the north and south sides of Grant Line Road near its intersection with the project's private drive and	
		visible to east bound traffic. The exact locations, design and text of the signs shall be approved by the City of Tracy Public Works department.	
		All trucks used during project operation shall use routes that circumvent the use of Grant Line Road east of the project site.  MM AIR-1f: Idling Limitation	
		Prior to the issuance of the certificate of occupancy for each individual development proposal within the project site, the relevant applicant for the subject individual development proposal shall provide the City with	
		reasonable documentation demonstrating that on-site truck idling during project operation for the subject individual development proposal shall be limited to no greater than 3 minutes. The documentation provided to the City shall include photos or a map of signage posted in	
		strategic locations on-site identifying that truck idling does not exceed 3 minutes. The signage shall include a phone number to contact at the facility regarding idling	

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	Level of Significance Before		Level of Significance After
Impact	Mitigation	Mitigation Measures	Mitigation
		violation complaints, and corrective action shall occur within 48 hours of receipt of the complaint.	
		MM AIR-1g: Electric On-site Off-Road and On-Road  Equipment  Prior to the issuance of the certificate of occupancy for each individual development proposal within the project site, the relevant applicant for the subject individual development proposal shall provide the City with reasonable documentation demonstrating that all on-site off-road and on-road equipment to be used during project operation of the subject individual development proposal will be electric-powered. On-site off-road and on-road equipment shall include, but are not limited to, forklifts and pallet jacks.  MM AIR-1h: Vegetated Project Site Buffer  Prior to the issuance of building permit(s) for each	
		individual development proposal within the project site, the relevant applicant for the subject individual development proposal shall demonstrate on their site plans the inclusion of a vegetative buffer along the eastern property line of the project site adjacent to sensitive receptors. Examples of vegetative buffers may include, but are not limited to, trees, bushes, shrubs, or a mix thereof.	
		MM AIR-1i: Tier 2 CALGreen Electric Vehicle Charging Infrastructure  Prior to the issuance of building permit(s) for each individual development proposal within the project site, the relevant applicant for the subject individual development proposal shall provide the City with reasonable documentation (e.g., shown on-site plans) showing that the proposed parking areas for passenger automobiles and trucks for project operation of the subject individual development proposal are designed and will be built to include electric vehicle (EV) charging stations. At a minimum, the parking shall be designed to include a number of EV charging stations equal to the Tier 2 Nonresidential Voluntary Measures of the California Green Building Standards Code, Section A5.106.5.3.2.	
Impact AIR-2: The proposed project could result in a cumulatively considerable net increase of any criteria pollutant for which the	Potentially Significant	MM AIR-1a through <del>MM AIR-1d</del> MM AIR-1i	Significant and Unavoidable

Impact	Level of Significance Before Mitigation	Mitigation Measures	Level of Significance After Mitigation
region is in nonattainment under an applicable federal or State ambient air quality standard.			
Impact AIR-3: The proposed project could expose sensitive receptors to substantial pollutant concentrations.	Potentially Significant	MM <u>s</u> AIR-1d <u>through AIR-1i</u> .	Significant and Unavoidable
Cumulative Impact	Potentially Significant	MM AIR-1a through MM AIR-1 <del>d</del> i	Significant and Unavoidable
Impact TRANS-1: The proposed project would result in a substantial increase in vehicle miles travelled.	Potentially Significant	MM TRANS-1: Transportation Demand Management Measures MM TRANS-1(a): Transportation Demand Management Measures Prior to issuance of the first building permit for the relevant individual development proposal, the relevant applicant for the individual development proposal at issue shall submit to the City of Tracy Planning Department a transportation demand management (TDM) program that incorporates all of the following six measures (as explained further in Table 3.14-6 of the Draft EIR): 1. Communication and Information Strategies—4 percent reduction; 2. Telecommuting for administrative staff (5 percent of staff population)—1 percent reduction; 3. Designated parking spaces for carpool vehicles—1 percent reduction; 4. Provide a transit stop along the project frontage on Grant Line Road, if agreed to by the City—2 percent reduction; 5. Provide bike lanes and sidewalks along the project frontage—1 percent reduction; and 6. Provide on-site bike racks and showers—1 percent reduction.  Provided, however, that if the relevant applicant determines that one of more of the foregoing six TDM measures is not feasible in connection with the individual development proposal at issue, then the relevant	Significant and Unavoidable

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Impact	Level of Significance Before Mitigation	Mitigation Measures	Level of Significance After Mitigation
		applicant may obtain approval from the City of Tracy Planning Department of acceptable substitute TDM measure(s) pursuant to Table 3.14-6 of the Draft EIR.	
		The relevant applicant's TDM program, as described above, shall reflect a 10 percent reduction in VMT for the relevant individual development proposal.	
		MM TRANS-1(b): Payment of Applicable Banking Fee. In addition to the TDM program required in MM TRANS-1(a), each applicant for an individual development proposal shall pay its fair share of the applicable fee as set forth in the adopted VMT Mitigation Banking Fee in place and effective at the time the relevant applicant seeks to obtain building permits for its individual development proposal. Provided, however, that if the City Council has not adopted the Mitigation Banking Fee Program such that it is effective and in place at the time an applicant for an individual development proposal seeks to obtain a building permit, then the relevant applicant shall implement additional VMT reduction measures in order to meet the total minimum VMT reduction requirement of 15 percent. then payment of \$633.11 (cost per VMT reduction for the relevant individual development proposal) shall constitute compliance with this MM TRANS-1(b) then the relevant applicant shall implement additional VMT reduction measures in order to meet the minimum VMT reduction requirement of 15 percent.	

## **Section 3.3 Air Quality**

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## San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District Rules and Regulations

The following Valley Air District rules and regulations are relevant to this analysis:

Rule 2010—Permits Required. This rule requires operators of emission sources to obtain an Authority to Construct and Permit to Operate from the District.

Rule 2201—New and Modified Stationary Source Review. This rule requires that new and modified stationary sources of emissions mitigate their emissions using Best Available Control Technology, such as requiring a backup generator to meet Tier 4 emission standards.

Rule 2520—Federally Mandated Operating Permits. The purpose of this rule is to issue operating permits for new and modified sources of air contaminants pursuant to the requirements of 40 Code of Federal Regulations, Part 70.

Rule 4002—National Emissions Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants. The purpose of this rule is to protect the public from uncontrolled emissions of asbestos by requiring a thorough inspection for asbestos before any demolition or renovation activities occur.

**Rule 4102—Nuisance**. The purpose of this rule is to protect the health and safety of the public and applies to any source operation that emits or may emit air contaminants or other materials.

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**Regulation VIII—Fugitive PM<sub>10</sub> Prohibitions**. Rules 8011-8081 are designed to reduce PM<sub>10</sub> emissions (predominantly dust/dirt) generated by human activity, including construction and demolition activities, road construction, bulk materials storage, paved and unpaved roads, carryout and trackout, etc. All development projects that involve soil disturbance are subject to at least one provision of the Regulation VIII series of rules.

Rule 9410—Employer Based Trip Reduction. This rule applies to projects that result in the employment of 100 or more "eligible" employees and requires the employer to establish an Employer Trip Reduction Implementation Plan that encourages employees to reduce single-occupancy vehicle trips.

**Rule 9510—Indirect Source Review**. This rule reduces the impact of  $NO_X$  and  $PM_{10}$  emissions from growth within the Air Basin. The rule places application and emission reduction requirements on development projects meeting applicability criteria in order to reduce emissions through on-site mitigation, off-site Valley Air District-administered projects, or a combination of the two. The proposed project must comply with Rule 9510 because it would develop more than 25,000 square feet of light industrial uses.

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#### MM AIR-1e Operational Truck Fleet Routing

Prior to the issuance of the certificate of occupancy for each individual development proposal within the project site, the relevant applicant for the subject individual development proposal shall provide the City with reasonable documentation demonstrating that trucks used during project operation for the subject individual development proposal will be prohibited from accessing Grant Line Road east of the project site, such as plans illustrating intended truck routes. Additionally:

A. Prior to the issuance of grading permit, the project applicant shall demonstrate to the City of Tracy Engineering Department plans or designs that show where the project's private drive intersects with Grant Line Road, the applicant shall use a combination of raised concreate medians (or islands) and/or bollards to prevent trucks from entering the left turn pocket. Truck drivers shall be directed into a dedicated right turn lane onto Grant Line Road. Signage and roadway stripping within the project will also direct drivers to the appropriate lanes as they approach the intersection. The design shall be reviewed and approved by the City of Tracy Engineering Department.

B. Prior to the issuance of occupancy permit for the first building, the Phase I Developer shall demonstrate to the City of Tracy Public Works Department that the development shall include new signage warning truck drivers that truck travel through the Community of Banta is not permitted and a fineable offense shall be placed along Grant Line Road. Specifically, two signs shall be placed on the north and south sides of Grant Line Road near its intersection with the project's private drive and visible to east bound traffic. The exact locations, design and text of the signs shall be approved by the City of Tracy Public Works department.

All trucks used during project operation shall use routes that circumvent the use of Grant Line Road east of the project site.

#### MM AIR-1f Idling Limitation

Prior to the issuance of the certificate of occupancy for each individual development proposal within the project site, the relevant applicant for the subject individual development proposal shall provide the City with reasonable documentation demonstrating that on-site truck idling during project operation for the subject individual development proposal shall be limited to no greater than 3 minutes. The documentation provided to the City shall include photos or a map of signage posted in strategic locations on-site identifying that truck idling does not exceed 3 minutes. The signage shall include a phone number to contact at the facility regarding idling violation complaints, and corrective action shall occur within 48 hours of receipt of the complaint.

## MM AIR-1g Electric On-site Off-Road and On-Road Equipment

Prior to the issuance of the certificate of occupancy for each individual development proposal within the project site, the relevant applicant for the subject individual development proposal shall provide the City with reasonable documentation demonstrating that all on-site off-road and on-road equipment to be used during project operation of the subject individual development proposal will be electric-powered. On-site off-road and on-road equipment shall include, but are not limited to, forklifts and pallet jacks.

#### MM AIR-1h Vegetated Project Site Buffer

Prior to the issuance of building permit(s) for each individual development proposal within the project site, the relevant applicant for the subject individual development proposal shall demonstrate on their site plans the inclusion of a vegetative buffer along the eastern property line of the project site adjacent to sensitive receptors. Examples of vegetative buffers may include, but are not limited to, trees, bushes, shrubs, or a mix thereof.

#### MM AIR-1i Tier 2 CALGreen Electric Vehicle Charging Infrastructure

Prior to the issuance of building permit(s) for each individual development proposal within the project site, the relevant applicant for the subject individual development proposal shall provide the City with reasonable documentation (e.g., shown on-site plans) showing that the proposed parking areas for passenger automobiles and trucks for project operation of the subject individual development proposal are designed and will be built to include electric vehicle (EV) charging stations. At a minimum, the parking shall be designed to include a number of EV charging stations equal to the Tier 2 Nonresidential Voluntary Measures of the California Green Building Standards Code, Section A5.106.5.3.2.

#### Level of Significance After Mitigation

Significant and unavoidable impact.

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As shown in Table 3.3-12, unmitigated operational emissions would exceed Valley Air District thresholds of significance for ROG and NO<sub>x</sub>. Therefore, MMs AIR-1c, and AIR-1d, AIR-1e, AIR-1f, AIR-1g, AIR-1h, and AIR-1i would be required to mitigate operational emissions to the extent feasible-to below Valley Air District thresholds.

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Nonetheless, the full implementation of MM AIR-1c and MM AIR-1d cannot be guaranteed during project operation; therefore, the emission estimates provided in Table 3.3-14 demonstrate a reasonable worst-case scenario for project operation after incorporation of identified mitigation. In addition, MM AIR-1f would restrict on-site vehicle idling to no greater than 3 minutes. MM AIR-1g would require the use of electric on-site on- and off-road equipment in place of non-electric alternatives. MM AIR-1i would require the installation of EV charging stations which meet the Tier 2 standards set forth in Section A5.106.5.3 of Appendix A5 – Nonresidential Voluntary Measures of CALGreen of the 2019 California Building Code. The inclusion of MMs AIR-1f, AIR-1g, and AIR-1i would help further incrementally reduce emissions below those disclosed in this Draft EIR; however, the quantified reductions from these measures cannot be accurately identified and guaranteed at this time. Because the operational emissions shown therein above would exceed the Valley Air District's significance thresholds for ROG and NOx, and this impact would remain significant and unavoidable.

#### **Operational Ambient Air Quality Analysis**

Valley Air District Rule 2201 requires that an AAQA be conducted for a project when that project's maximum daily emissions exceed 100 pounds for any single criteria or precursor pollutant after incorporation of all mitigation. As shown in Table 3.3-14, due to the uncertainty of full implementation of MM AIR-1c and MM AIR-1d, and the uncertain extent and efficacy of quantified reductions resulting from MM AIR-1f, MM AIR-1g, MM AIR-1i, the potential emission reductions resulting from MM AIR-1c and MM AIR-1d identified mitigation are not considered in the proposed project's mitigated operational emissions. As such, maximum daily operational emissions generated by all phases of the proposed project would exceed the Valley Air District's screening threshold for

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an AAQA for  $NO_X$  emissions. As a result, this impact would remain significant and unavoidable after mitigation is incorporated.

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#### **Mitigation Measures**

Implement MMS AIR-1a, AIR-1b, AIR-1c, to AIR-1d, AIR-1f, AIR-1g, and AIR-1i.

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The implementation of MM AIR-1d would contribute to the minimization of DPM emissions generated from trucking emissions; however, full implementation of MM AIR-1d cannot be guaranteed. In addition, MM AIR-1e would restrict truck traffic from accessing Grant Line Road east of the project site, where many sensitive receptors are located. MM AIR-1f would restrict on-site vehicle idling to no greater than 3 minutes. MM AIR-1g would require the use of electric on-site on-and off-road equipment in place of non-electric alternatives. MM AIR-1h would require the installation of a vegetated buffer around specified portions of the project site to reduce the potential off-site dispersion of TACs generated at the project site during operation. MM AIR-1i would require the installation of EV charging stations which meet the Tier 2 standards set forth in Section A5.106.5.3 of Appendix A5 – Nonresidential Voluntary Measures of CALGreen of the 2019 California Building Code. The inclusion of MMs AIR-1f, AIR-1g, and AIR-1i would help incrementally reduce emissions below those disclosed in this Draft EIR; however, the quantified reductions from these measures cannot be accurately identified and guaranteed at this time. As a result, this impact would be significant and unavoidable after the incorporation of mitigation.

### Level of Significance Before Mitigation

Potentially Significant Impact

#### **Mitigation Measures**

MMs AIR-1d through AIR-1i.

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...constructed concurrently. In addition, because the full implementation of MMs AIR-1c and AIR-1d cannot be guaranteed during project operation, and the potential emission reduction from inclusion of MMs AIR-1f, AIR-1g, and AIR-1i cannot be accurately identified and guaranteed at this time, the proposed project could result in potentially significant impacts related to regional emissions significance thresholds for ROGs and  $NO_x$ , both ozone precursor pollutants, during project operation.

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### **Mitigation Measures**

MMs AIR-1a to AIR-1i-and MM AIR-3

#### Section 3.8 Greenhouse Gas Emissions

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**Table 3.8-5: Summary of Applicable Greenhouse Gas Regulations** 

Regulation	Project Applicability
Title 24 Energy Efficiency Standards	Project buildings would be required to be constructed to meet the latest version of Title 24 (currently 2019), which, among other standards, requires that nonresidential projects construct their roofs to be solar-ready to accommodate the future installation of solar panels. Reduction applies only to energy consumption subject to the regulation.
Green Building Code Standards	The project would be required to include water conservation features mandated by the standard.
Water Efficient Land Use Ordinance	The project landscaping would be required to comply with the regulation.
Renewable Portfolio Standard	Electricity purchased for use at the project site is subject to the 33 percent RPS mandate.
Solid waste	The solid waste service provider would be required to provide programs to increase diversion and recycling to meet the 75 percent mandate, to which the project would be required to adhere.

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Accordingly, taking into account the proposed project's emissions, and the progress being made by the State toward reducing emissions in key sectors such as transportation, industry, and electricity, the project would be consistent with State GHG Plans and would further the State's goals of reducing GHG emissions 40 percent below 1990 levels by 2030, and 80 percent below 1990 levels by 2050, and does not obstruct their attainment.

#### Consistency with RTP/SCS

The SJCOG 2018 RTP establishes regional transportation policy for San Joaquin County based on specific transportation goals and objectives. The RTP focuses on achieving a coordinated and balanced multimodal transportation system, while maintaining the integrity of the existing system. The RTP includes projects located throughout San Joaquin County for all forms or modes of transportation, including automobiles, transit, nonmotorized (including bicycle), passenger rail, freight, and aviation facilities. The goals and objective contained in the RTP are focused on transportation initiatives, infrastructure, planning, and funding on the regional level. The proposed project would support these policies and strategies.

Policy 1 of the RTP/SCS would enhance the environment for existing and future generations and conserve energy. The Draft EIR evaluates the proposed project's impacts on the environment and provides feasible mitigation to address these potential impacts. As analyzed in Section 3.6, Energy, the proposed project would not result in potentially significant environmental impact due to wasteful, inefficient, or unnecessary consumption of energy resources during project construction or operation (Impact ENER-1) or conflict with or obstruct a State or local plan for renewable energy of

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energy efficiency (Impact ENER-2). The proposed project site has a land use designation of "Industrial" in the City of Tracy General Plan, and the proposed project, which consists of the buildout of warehousing and other industrial space, is consistent with this land use designation. The RTP/SCS accounts for growth in the project site and vicinity, including industrial developments such as the proposed project. Strategy 3 is to improve air quality by reducing transportation-related emissions. Though the proposed project would result in significant and unavoidable impacts with respect to air quality and VMT, the project would be required to implement feasible mitigation (MM AIR-1d, MM AIR-1e, MM AIR-1f, MM AIR-1i, MM TRANS-1a, MM TRANS-1b), which would reduce transportation-related emissions to the maximum extent feasible thereby improving air quality, consistent with Strategy 3. Strategy 4 is to improve the regional transportation system efficiency. As described in Chapter 2, Project Description, and throughout the EIR, the proposed project would set aside approximately 12.51 acres in the northwest corner of the project site, which would be sufficient to accommodate improvements to the City's expressway system, as well as a future I-205/Paradise Road/Chrisman Road interchange as shown in Exhibit 2-7c in Chapter 2, Project Description of the EIR, consistent with the City of Tracy Transportation Master Plan (TMP). As noted in the TMP, it provides a comprehensive review of the City's transportation system and serves as a blueprint that can be utilized to identify and implement required improvements to the existing roadway system as well as expand upon the system to accommodate future development consistent with the General Plan. As an interstate, I-205 serves the region, and, therefore, the future I-205/Paradise Road/Chrisman Road interchange would improve the regional transportation system and support Strategy 4. Similarly, Strategy 8 requires the improvement of major transportation corridors to minimize impacts on rural roads. While these specific future regional transportation improvements would be considered and implemented as part of a separate process subsequent to approval of the proposed project, the approximately 12.51 acres of land set aside that would facilitate the improvements to the City's expressway system and the future I-205/Paradise Road/Chrisman Road interchange would result in such improvements by providing infrastructure for automobiles and trucks entering and exiting the site. Furthermore, as discussed in Section 14, Transportation, of the EIR, the proposed project would implement the following travel demand measures to reduce project VMT as is required by MM TRANS-1(a).

- 1. Utilize communication and information strategies-4 percent reduction;
- 2. Offer telecommuting for administrative staff (5 percent of staff population)—1 percent reduction;
- 3. Designate parking spaces for carpool vehicles—1 percent reduction;
- 4. Provide a transit stop along the project frontage on Grant Line Road, if agreed to by the City–2 percent reduction;
- 5. Provide bike lanes and sidewalks along the project frontage-1 percent reduction; and
- 6. Provide on-site bike racks and showers—1 percent reduction.

Through the implementation of project design features and required mitigation measures, as discussed above, the proposed project is considered to be consistent with the RTP/SCS.

# **Section 3.11 Land Use and Planning**

Page 3.11-27 and -28, Table 3.11-3

		Goal/Objective/Policy	
Element	No.	Text	Consistency Determination
10—Air Quality	Goal AQ-1	Improved air quality and reduced greenhouse gas emissions.	Consistent: The proposed project would be subject to various regulatory measures adopted to ensure ambient air quality standards are met to the extent feasible. The proposed project would implement MMs AIR-1a through AIR-1i to reduce emissions generated during construction and operation to the extent feasible not be a source of significant toxic or hazardous air pollutants and odors, and was not found to have a significant impact with respect to GHG or odors. Refer to Section 3.3, Air Quality and Section 3.8, Greenhouse Gas, for further discussion.
	AQ-1.2 P1	The City shall assess air quality impacts using the latest version of the CEQA Guidelines and guidelines prepared by the San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District.	Consistent: The proposed project would be subject to various regulatory measures adopted to ensure ambient air quality standards are met. This Draft EIR evaluated the proposed project's potential air quality impacts pursuant to CEQA and San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District (Valley Air District) Guidelines. Refer to Section 3.3, Air Quality, for further discussion.
	AQ-1.2 P3	Developers shall implement best management practices to reduce air pollutant emissions associated with the construction and operation of development projects.	Consistent. Section 3.3, Air Quality, in the Draft EIR and Section 4, Errata, include mitigation measures that the proposed project would be required to implement to reduce air pollutant emissions to the extent feasible. In addition, as described in Section 3.3, Air Quality, the proposed project would adhere to the applicable federal, State, and local laws and regulations, which include BMPs to reduce air pollutant emissions associated with the construction and operation of the proposed project.
	AQ-1.2 P4	New development projects should incorporate energy efficient design features for HVAC, lighting systems and insulation that exceed Title 24.	Consistent: The proposed project's buildings, including the HVAC, lighting systems, and insulation, would be designed and constructed in accordance with the City's latest adopted energy efficiency standards, which are based on the State's Building Energy Efficiency Standards. These are widely regarded as the most advanced and stringent building energy efficiency standards and compliance would ensure that building energy consumption would not be wasteful, inefficient, or unnecessary.

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	1	Goal/Objective/Policy	
Element	No.	Text	Consistency Determination
	AQ-1.2 P6	Installation of solar voltaic panels on new homes and businesses shall be encouraged.	Consistent. The installation of solar voltaic panels is not a City of Tracy requirement for industrial development. As described in Draft EIR Section 3.6, Energy page 24, the proposed project would be required to design the proposed buildings according to Subchapter 6, Part 6 of the Title 24 standards, to structurally accommodate future installation of a rooftop solar system. As such, the design of the proposed project would facilitate the future commitment to renewable energy resources. The Draft EIR was prepared based on Valley Air District guidance and, with the implementation of BMPs and MMs AIR-1a through 1i, the proposed project would reduce air quality and GHG emissions to the maximum amount feasible.
	AQ-1.2 P7	Trees should be planted on the south- and west-facing sides of new buildings or building undergoing substantial renovation in order to reduce energy usage.	<b>Consistent.</b> Project landscaping trees are included in the project design and would be consistent with the NEI Specific Plan requirements for placing one tree per five parking spaces, and otherwise would comply with all applicable landscaping requirements.
	AQ-1.2 P12	New sources of toxic air pollutants shall prepare a Health Risk Assessment as required under the Air Toxics "Hot Spots" Act and based on the results of the Assessment, establish appropriate land use buffer zones around those areas posing substantial health risks.	Consistent. A Health Risk Assessment (HRA) is provided in Section 3.3, Air Quality, of the Draft EIR, and the Draft EIR concluded that the proposed project would exceed the San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District's (Valley Air District's) significance thresholds, resulting in significant and unavoidable impacts. However, with the implementation of BMPs and MMs AIR-1a through 1i, the proposed project would reduce air quality and GHG emissions to the maximum amount feasible. For purposes of clarification and amplification, in terms of a land use buffer zone, MM AIR-1h, as provided in Section 4, Errata of the Final EIR, requires a vegetated project site buffer along the east property boundary near the sensitive receptors in compliance with this policy. The City has agreed to adopt, and the project applicants have agreed to implement this additional mitigation measure.
	AQ-1.2 P13	Dust control measures consistent with the San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District rules shall be required as a condition of	Consistent. Valley Air District Rule 8021 includes basic dust control measures as noted in Section 3.3, Air Quality in the Draft EIR. In compliance with this policy, these measures would be included as an

		Goal/Objective/Policy	
Element	No.	Text	Consistency Determination
		approval for subdivision maps, site plans, and grading permits.	enforceable condition of approval for the proposed project.
	AQ-1.2 P14	Developments that significantly impact air quality shall only be approved if all feasible mitigation measures to avoid, minimize or offset the impact are implemented.	Consistent. As described in Section 3.3, Air Quality, of the Draft EIR there are several significant, unavoidable air quality impacts. However, the proposed project would be required to implement all feasible MMs AIR-1a through MM AIR-1i. The basis for these determinations is detailed more fully in Section 3.3, Air Quality.
	AQ-1.2 P15	Encourage businesses to electrify loading docks or implement idling-reduction systems so that trucks transporting refrigerated goods can continue to power cab cooling elements during loading, layovers, and rest periods.	Consistent. The proposed project would not include refrigerated units. Therefore, no trucks transporting refrigerated goods would be accessing the site. In addition, the City has agreed to adopt, and the project applicants have agreed to implement MM AIR-1f, which would restrict on-site vehicle idling in any event to no greater than 3 minutes.

#### **Section 3.14 Transportation**

#### Page 3.14-29

As noted above, the City is currently pursuing a VMT Mitigation Banking Fee Program; the draft program currently calculates the cost per one (1) VMT reduction as \$633.11. However, the VMT Mitigation Banking Fee Program has not yet been finalized and adopted; accordingly, the applicable fee would be the amount provided for under the Mitigation Banking Fee Program adopted by the City Council and effective at the time the relevant applicant for an individual development proposal within the project site obtained building permits. Provided, however, that if the Council has not adopted the Mitigation Banking Fee Program such that it is effective and in place at the time an applicant for an individual development proposal seeks to obtain a building permit, then payment of \$633.11 (cost per one (1) VMT reduction) shall constitute compliance for the payment component of MM TRANS-1(b) then the relevant applicant shall implement additional VMT reduction measures in order to meet the minimum VMT reduction requirement of 15 percent.

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## MM TRANS-1(b) Payment of Applicable Banking Fee

In addition to the Transportation Demand Management (TDM) program required in MM TRANS-1(a), each applicant for an individual development proposal shall pay <u>its</u> <u>fair share of</u> the applicable fee as set forth in the adopted Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT) Mitigation Banking Fee in place and effective at the time the relevant

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applicant seeks to obtain building permits for its individual development proposal. Provided, however, that if the City Council has not adopted the Mitigation Banking Fee Program such that it is effective and in place at the time an applicant for an individual development proposal seeks to obtain a building permit, then payment of \$633.11 (cost per VMT reduction for the relevant individual development proposal) shall constitute compliance with this MM TRANS-1(b) then the relevant applicant shall implement additional VMT reduction measures in order to meet the total minimum VMT reduction requirement of 15 percent.

#### Section 6 Alternatives

#### Page 6-1—6.2-Significant Unavoidable Impacts

- Project-Level Impact Related to Implementation of the Applicable Air Quality Plan: The proposed project is consistent with the site's General Plan designation which means the proposed industrial use was accounted for in the Air Quality Plan (AQP) land use projections. However, the proposed project could create a localized violation of State or federal air quality standards, significantly contribute to cumulative non-attainment pollutant violations, and expose sensitive receptors to substantial pollutant concentrations. The proposed project would be required to implement MM AIR-1a through MM AIR-41i; however, because full implementation of the mitigation cannot be guaranteed due to potential technical and/or financial infeasibility, the proposed project's potentially significant impact is conservatively identified as significant and unavoidable. Therefore, the proposed project is inconsistent with Criterion 1 of the AQP even after the incorporation of mitigation. The impact would be significant and unavoidable.
- Project-Level Impact Related to Cumulatively Considerable Net Increase of reactive organic gases (ROG) and carbon monoxide (CO) During Construction, and ROG and oxides of nitrogen (NOX) During Operation: The construction schedule for the proposed project assumed that none of the three project phases would overlap. In this scenario, after the incorporation of MMs AIR-1a and AIR-1b, construction of the proposed project would not exceed the San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District (Valley Air District) daily emission screening levels for an Ambient Air Quality Analysis (AAQA), pursuant to District Rule 2201. However, the potential remains for project phases to be constructed concurrently. If the three phases of construction occur concurrently, emissions of ROG and CO would exceed the Valley Air District's significance thresholds if all three project phases were constructed concurrently. As such, this impact would remain significant and unavoidable after implementation of identified mitigation.

During operation, unmitigated emissions would exceed Valley Air District thresholds of significance for ROGs and NO $_{\rm X}$ . Therefore, MM AIR-1c through MM AIR-1iand MM AIR-1d would be required to mitigate operational emissions to below Valley Air District thresholds. However, the full implementation of MM AIR-1c through MM AIR-1iand MM AIR-1d cannot be guaranteed during project operation; therefore, the reasonable worst-case operational emissions would exceed the Valley Air District's significance thresholds for ROG and NO $_{\rm X}$  and this impact would remain significant and unavoidable.

# **Appendix E**

# Page E-1

**Tracy Alliance Sunnyvale FCII-**Project Energy Use Summary

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# Appendix A: Exhibit



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Appendix B: Tracy Alliance Full Project I-205 MacArthur Interchange Ramp Queuing Analysis





# **MEMORANDUM**

From: Frederik Venter, PE and Colin Ogilvie | Kimley-Horn and Associates

**To:** Tom Dumas, Office of Metropolitan Planning Chief | Caltrans

Date: November 4, 2022

Re: Tracy Alliance: I-205 & MacArthur Drive Interchange Ramp Queuing Analysis

#### 1. Introduction

This memorandum presents the findings of the I-205 & MacArthur Drive Interchange ramp queuing analysis for the Tracy Alliance project requested by Caltrans in their Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) comments. The queuing analysis is based on the updated I-205 and MacArthur Drive Interchange geometry, traffic counts collected in 2022, and signal timings requested from Caltrans.

The following scenarios were analyzed:

- Exisiting Conditions
- Existing Plus Project (Full Project) Conditions

All Project trips at the I-205 & MacArthur Interchange under Background Conditions are anticipated to move to the future I-205 & Chrisman Interchange under Cumulative Conditions and are assumed to be included in the TOAR. Therefore, the Project will not cause a queuing deficiency at the MacArthur interchange in the Cumulative Conditions.

This analysis is supplemental to the Kimley-Horn *Tracy Alliance and Northeast Area Annexation* report dated April 2022.

#### 2. Queuing Analysis

The I-205 & MacArthur Drive Interchange ramp queuing analysis was completed for the off-ramps only per Caltrans's *Traffic Safety Bulletin 20-02-R1: Interim Local Development Intergovernmental Review Safety Review Practitioners Guidance* to determine safety impacts to the freeway mainline. The following analysis scenarios were analyzed:

- Exisiting Conditions
- Existing Plus Project (Full Project) Conditions

Existing traffic counts are illustrated in **Figure 1**. Analysis volumes represent the peak hour volumes per intersection and were balanced as necessary between intersections. Existing signal timings were obtain from Caltrans and no modifications were made between Existing Conditions and Existing Plus Project (Full Project) Conditions.



Existing Plus Project (Full Project) volumes are provided in **Figure 2**. All Project trips at the I-205 & MacArthur Interchange under Background Conditions are anticipated to move to the future I-205 & Chrisman Interchange under Cumulative Conditions and are assumed to be included in the TOAR. Therefore, the Project will not cause a queuing deficiency at the MacArthur interchange in the Cumulative Conditions.

The analysis utilized SimTraffic 11 with a 10-minute seeding period, four 15-minute periods and 10 runs. The average and 95th-percentile queues for each of the ten runs was averaged and shown in **Table 1** and **Table 2**. The Existing Conditions queues were calibrated based on field-verified queuing.

All ramp queuing under Existing Conditions and Existing Plus Project Conditions is within each ramp's storage capacity and does not extend to the freeway mainline. Therefore, no Project safety mitigations are required.

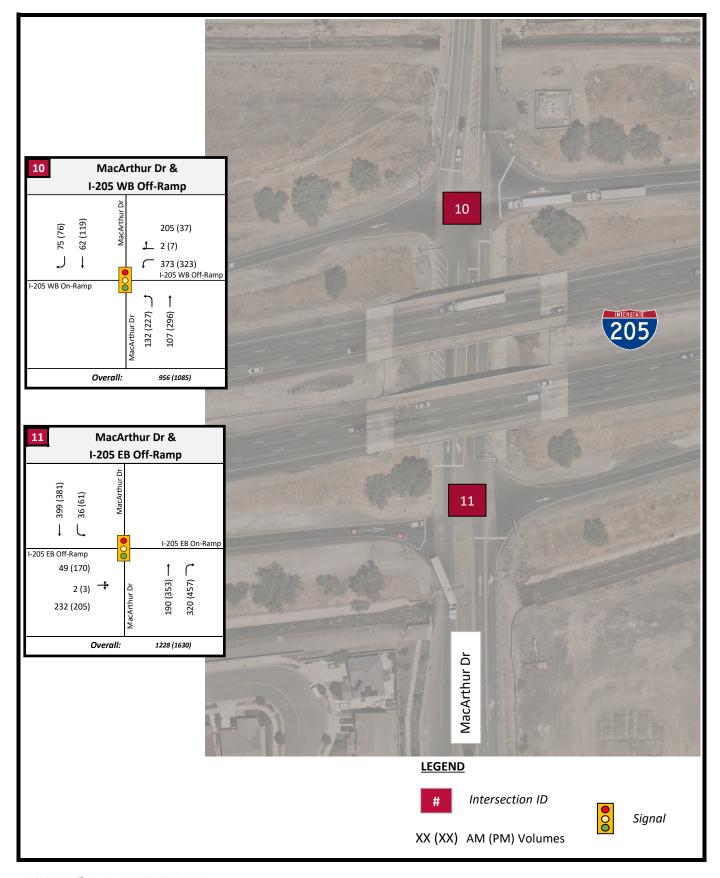




Figure 1 Existing Conditions

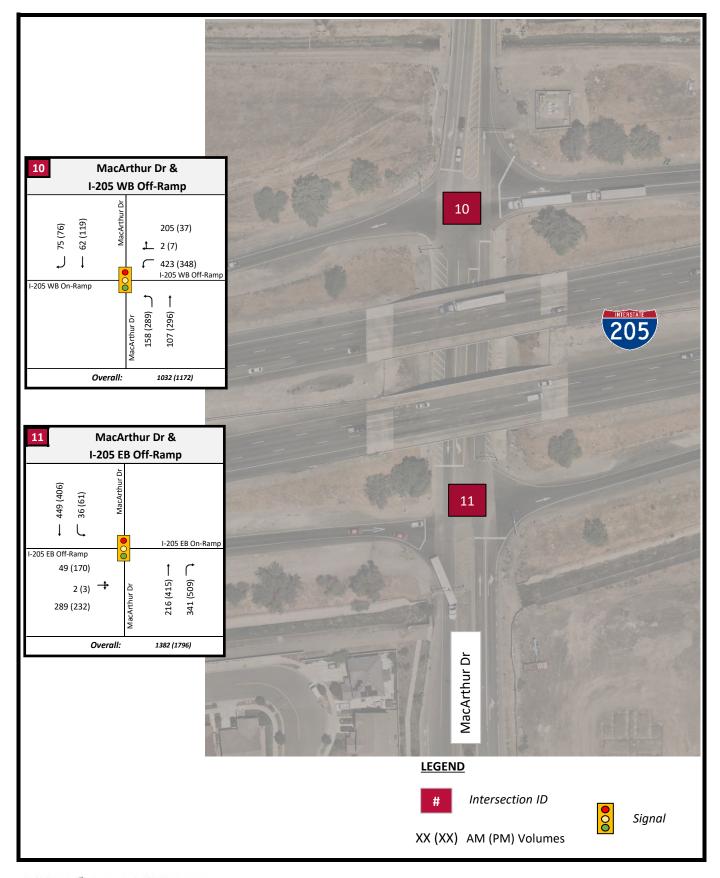




Figure 2 Existing Plus Project Conditions



Table 1 – Existing Conditions

	Intersection	Movement	Storage Length		rage ie (ft)	95 <sup>th</sup> Pei Queu	
			(ft)	AM Peak	PM Peak	AM Peak	PM Peak
		WBL	500	149	129	252	236
		WBT/R	1,020	46	22	79	57
10	I-205 WB Ramps &	NBL	200	102	108	184	189
10	MacArthur Dr	NBT	230	47	72	97	142
		SBT	1,400	54	43	116	86
		SBR	450	22	24	42	52
		EBL/T/R	1,000	104	155	194	278
		NBT	750	54	101	118	187
11	I-205 EB Ramps & Macarthur Dr	NBR	750	110	75	197	140
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Table 2 – Exisiting Plus Project (Full Project) Conditions

	Intersection	Movement	Storage Length		rage ıe (ft)	95 <sup>th</sup> Pei Queu	rcentile ie (ft)
			(ft)	AM Peak	PM Peak	AM Peak	PM Peak
		WBL	500	174	152	324	259
		WBT/R	1,020	48	22	151	60
10	I-205 WB Ramps &	NBL	200	109	150	193	249
10	MacArthur Dr	NBT	230	41	78	85	143
		SBT	1,400	46	51	107	105
		SBR	450	21	23	44	50
		EBL/T/R	1,000	118	217	229	410
		NBT	750	69	154	157	283
11	I-205 EB Ramps & Macarthur Dr	NBR	750	117	91	226	171
		SBL	220	38	48	94	99
		SBT	220	129	112	253	234

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## 3. Appendix

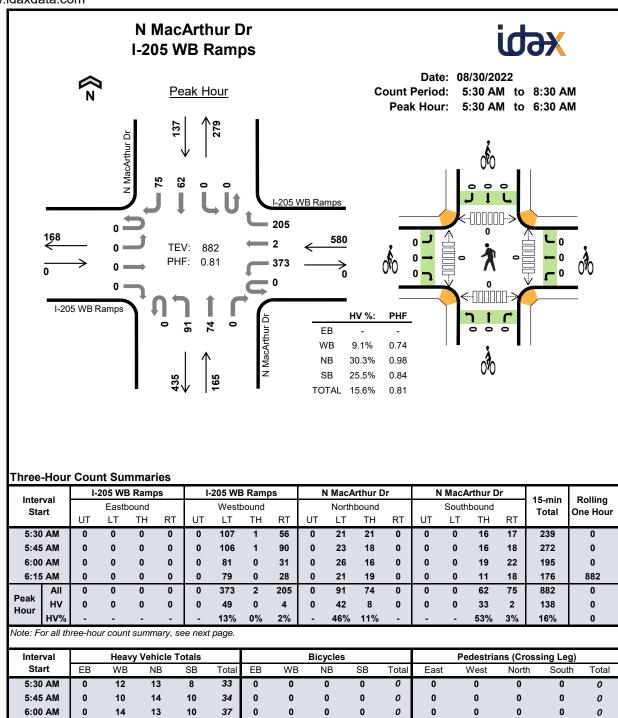
- A. Traffic Counts
- B. SimTraffic Reports
- C. Caltrans DEIR Comment Letter

<sup>1.</sup> Movements highlighted in blue represent I-205 off-ramp movements.

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## **A. Traffic Counts**



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Peak Hour

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5:45	AM	0	0	0	0	0	106	1	90	0	23	18	0	0	0	16	18	272	0
6:00	AM	0	0	0	0	0	81	0	31	0	26	16	0	0	0	19	22	195	0
6:15	AM	0	0	0	0	0	79	0	28	0	21	19	0	0	0	11	18	176	882
6:30	AM	0	0	0	0	0	86	1	16	0	20	32	0	0	0	17	26	198	841
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7:00	AM	0	0	0	0	0	82	0	14	0	44	20	0	0	0	19	18	197	809
7:15	AM	0	0	0	0	0	90	0	16	0	38	34	0	0	0	20	22	220	853
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7:45	AM	0	0	0	0	0	95	0	12	0	37	24	0	0	0	14	28	210	815
8:00	AM	0	0	0	0	0	73	0	14	0	41	22	0	0	0	24	19	193	811
8:15	AM	0	0	0	0	0	74	0	11	0	45	25	0	0	0	9	23	187	778
Count	Total	0	0	0	0	0	1,070	4	329	0	373	281	0	0	0	194	262	2,513	0
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Note: Three-hour count summary volumes include heavy vehicles but exclude bicycles in overall count.

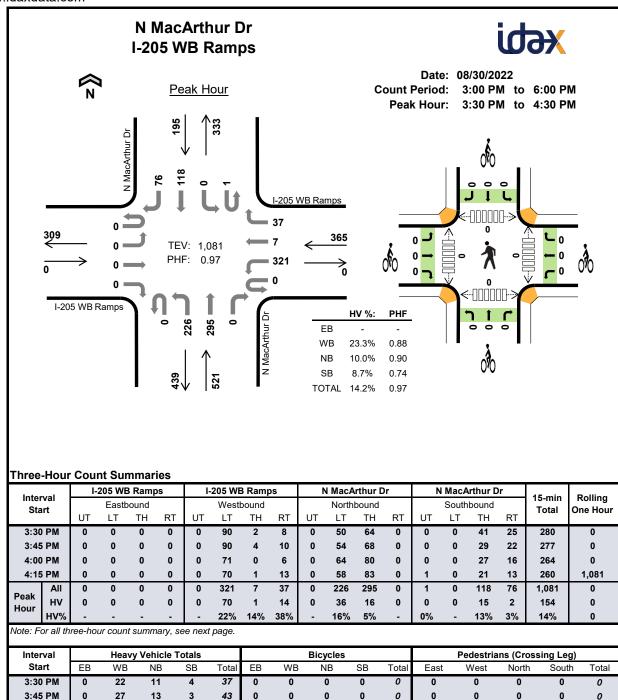
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6:30 AM	0	22	11	8	41	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
6:45 AM	0	22	19	9	50	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
7:00 AM	0	17	23	4	44	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
7:15 AM	0	23	19	10	52	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
7:30 AM	0	19	13	10	42	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
7:45 AM	0	13	19	3	35	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
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6:45 AM	0	0	0	0	0	17	0	5	0	14	5	0	0	0	4	5	50	162
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7:30 AM	0	0	0	0	0	15	0	4	0	12	1	0	0	0	7	3	42	188
7:45 AM	0	0	0	0	0	13	0	0	0	17	2	0	0	0	3	0	35	173
8:00 AM	0	0	0	0	0	18	0	0	0	11	3	0	0	0	9	3	44	173
8:15 AM	0	0	0	0	0	18	0	3	0	13	1	0	0	0	2	2	39	160
Count Total	0	0	0	0	0	179	1	28	0	149	33	0	0	0	75	20	485	0
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## Three-Hour Count Summaries - Bikes

Interval	I-20	5 WB Ra	mps	I-20	5 WB Ra	mps	N N	lacArthu	ır Dr	NW	lacArthu	ır Dr	15-min	Rolling
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5:30 AM	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
5:45 AM	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
6:00 AM	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
6:15 AM	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
6:30 AM	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
6:45 AM	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
7:00 AM	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
7:15 AM	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
7:30 AM	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
7:45 AM	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
8:00 AM	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
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Peak Hour	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Note: U-Turn volumes for bikes are included in Left-Turn, if any.



4:00 PM

4:15 PM

Peak Hour

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1-4		I-2	205 WE	Ramp	os	I-	205 WE	Ramp	s	1	MacA	rthur D	r	N	MacA	rthur D	)r	45	D - III
Inter Sta			Eastb	ound			West	ound			North	bound			South	bound		15-min Total	Rolling One Hour
Ota		UT	LT	TH	RT	UT	LT	TH	RT	UT	LT	TH	RT	UT	LT	TH	RT	Total	One Hour
3:00	PM	0	0	0	0	0	87	1	18	0	35	45	0	0	0	33	24	243	0
3:15	PM	0	0	0	0	0	81	0	22	0	53	52	0	0	0	23	16	247	0
3:30	PM	0	0	0	0	0	90	2	8	0	50	64	0	0	0	41	25	280	0
3:45	PM	0	0	0	0	0	90	4	10	0	54	68	0	0	0	29	22	277	1,047
4:00	PM	0	0	0	0	0	71	0	6	0	64	80	0	0	0	27	16	264	1,068
4:15	PM	0	0	0	0	0	70	1	13	0	58	83	0	1	0	21	13	260	1,081
4:30	PM	0	0	0	0	0	61	1	8	0	57	56	0	0	0	29	20	232	1,033
4:45	PM	0	0	0	0	0	48	0	18	0	65	46	0	0	0	19	17	213	969
5:00	PM	0	0	0	0	0	59	0	3	0	55	47	0	0	0	12	17	193	898
5:15	PM	0	0	0	0	0	61	0	11	0	65	49	0	0	0	18	11	215	853
5:30	PM	0	0	0	0	0	71	1	5	0	39	45	0	0	0	27	10	198	819
5:45	PM	0	0	0	0	0	53	0	4	1	53	38	0	0	0	18	19	186	792
Count	Total	0	0	0	0	0	842	10	126	1	648	673	0	1	0	297	210	2,808	0
D I-	All	0	0	0	0	0	321	7	37	0	226	295	0	1	0	118	76	1,081	0
Peak Hour	HV	0	0	0	0	0	70	1	14	0	36	16	0	0	0	15	2	154	0
rioui	HV%	-	-	_	-	-	22%	14%	38%	-	16%	5%	-	0%		13%	3%	14%	0

Note: Three-hour count summary volumes include heavy vehicles but exclude bicycles in overall count.

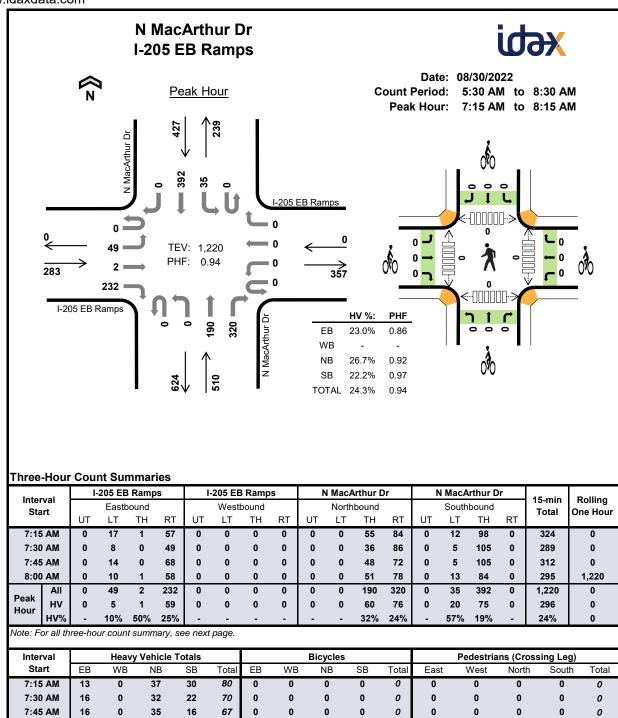
Interval		Heavy	Vehicle	Totals				Bicycles	;			Pedestria	ıns (Cross	ing Leg)	
Start	EB	WB	NB	SB	Total	EB	WB	NB	SB	Total	East	West	North	South	Total
3:00 PM	0	23	13	1	37	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3:15 PM	0	19	14	5	38	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3:30 PM	0	22	11	4	37	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3:45 PM	0	27	13	3	43	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
4:00 PM	0	21	16	6	43	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
4:15 PM	0	15	12	4	31	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
4:30 PM	0	15	7	2	24	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
4:45 PM	0	11	15	4	30	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	2
5:00 PM	0	16	8	1	25	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	2
5:15 PM	0	18	6	4	28	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
5:30 PM	0	16	6	2	24	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
5:45 PM	0	9	0	3	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Count Total	0	212	121	39	372	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	0	5
Peak Hour	0	85	52	17	154	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Interval	I-3	205 WE	3 Ramp	os	I-	205 WE	Ram	os	N	I MacA	rthur D	)r	N	I MacA	rthur D	)r	15-min	Dallina
Start		Eastb	ound			West	oound			North	bound			South	bound		Total	Rolling One Hour
Otart	UT	LT	TH	RT	UT	LT	TH	RT	UT	LT	TH	RT	UT	LT	TH	RT	Total	Ono rioui
3:00 PM	0	0	0	0	0	18	0	5	0	5	8	0	0	0	0	1	37	0
3:15 PM	0	0	0	0	0	16	0	3	0	11	3	0	0	0	5	0	38	0
3:30 PM	0	0	0	0	0	17	0	5	0	9	2	0	0	0	4	0	37	0
3:45 PM	0	0	0	0	0	22	1	4	0	9	4	0	0	0	2	1	43	155
4:00 PM	0	0	0	0	0	20	0	1	0	11	5	0	0	0	6	0	43	161
4:15 PM	0	0	0	0	0	11	0	4	0	7	5	0	0	0	3	1	31	154
4:30 PM	0	0	0	0	0	12	1	2	0	7	0	0	0	0	2	0	24	141
4:45 PM	0	0	0	0	0	6	0	5	0	12	3	0	0	0	3	1	30	128
5:00 PM	0	0	0	0	0	15	0	1	0	7	1	0	0	0	1	0	25	110
5:15 PM	0	0	0	0	0	16	0	2	0	4	2	0	0	0	4	0	28	107
5:30 PM	0	0	0	0	0	14	0	2	0	5	1	0	0	0	2	0	24	107
5:45 PM	0	0	0	0	0	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	12	89
Count Total	0	0	0	0	0	176	2	34	0	87	34	0	0	0	34	5	372	0
Peak Hour	0	0	0	0	0	70	1	14	0	36	16	0	0	0	15	2	154	0

## Three-Hour Count Summaries - Bikes

Interval	I-20	5 WB Ra	mps	I-20	5 WB Ra	mps	N N	lacArthu	ır Dr	NW	lacArthu	ır Dr	15-min	Rolling
Start	Е	Eastboun	d	V	Vestbour	nd	N	lorthbour	nd	S	outhbour	nd	Total	One Hour
	LT	TH	RT	LT	TH	RT	LT	TH	RT	LT	TH	RT		
3:00 PM	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3:15 PM	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3:30 PM	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3:45 PM	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
4:00 PM	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
4:15 PM	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
4:30 PM	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
4:45 PM	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
5:00 PM	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
5:15 PM	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
5:30 PM	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
5:45 PM	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Count Total	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Peak Hour	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Note: U-Turn volumes for bikes are included in Left-Turn, if any.



8:00 AM

Peak Hour

**Project Manager:** (415) 310-6469

14		ŀ	-205 EE	Ramp	s	ŀ	205 EE	Ramp	s	N	I MacA	rthur C	)r	1	l MacA	rthur D	r	45	D-111
Inter Sta			East	ound			Westl	bound			North	bound			South	bound		15-min Total	Rolling One Hour
Ola		UT	LT	TH	RT	UT	LT	TH	RT	UT	LT	TH	RT	UT	LT	TH	RT	Total	One Hour
5:30	) AM	0	15	1	38	0	0	0	0	0	0	28	51	0	3	117	0	253	0
5:45	5 AM	0	8	1	50	0	0	0	0	0	0	35	40	0	5	120	0	259	0
6:00	) AM	0	7	2	33	0	0	0	0	0	0	36	40	0	10	88	0	216	0
6:15	5 AM	0	11	0	28	0	0	0	0	0	0	28	42	0	5	86	0	200	928
6:30	) AM	0	22	0	43	0	0	0	0	0	0	30	84	0	8	95	0	282	957
6:45	5 AM	0	22	2	47	0	0	0	0	0	0	43	54	0	6	105	0	279	977
7:00	) AM	0	15	0	49	0	0	0	0	0	0	48	58	0	14	92	0	276	1,037
7:15	5 AM	0	17	1	57	0	0	0	0	0	0	55	84	0	12	98	0	324	1,161
7:30	) AM	0	8	0	49	0	0	0	0	0	0	36	86	0	5	105	0	289	1,168
7:45	AM.	0	14	0	68	0	0	0	0	0	0	48	72	0	5	105	0	312	1,201
8:00	) AM	0	10	1	58	0	0	0	0	0	0	51	78	0	13	84	0	295	1,220
8:15	5 AM	0	12	1	42	0	0	0	0	0	0	56	63	0	3	80	0	257	1,153
Count	Total	0	161	9	562	0	0	0	0	0	0	494	752	0	89	1,175	0	3,242	0
Daak	All	0	49	2	232	0	0	0	0	0	0	190	320	0	35	392	0	1,220	0
Peak Hour	HV	0	5	1	59	0	0	0	0	0	0	60	76	0	20	75	0	296	0
rioui	HV%		10%	50%	25%	-	-	-	-	-	-	32%	24%	-	57%	19%	-	24%	0

Note: Three-hour count summary volumes include heavy vehicles but exclude bicycles in overall count.

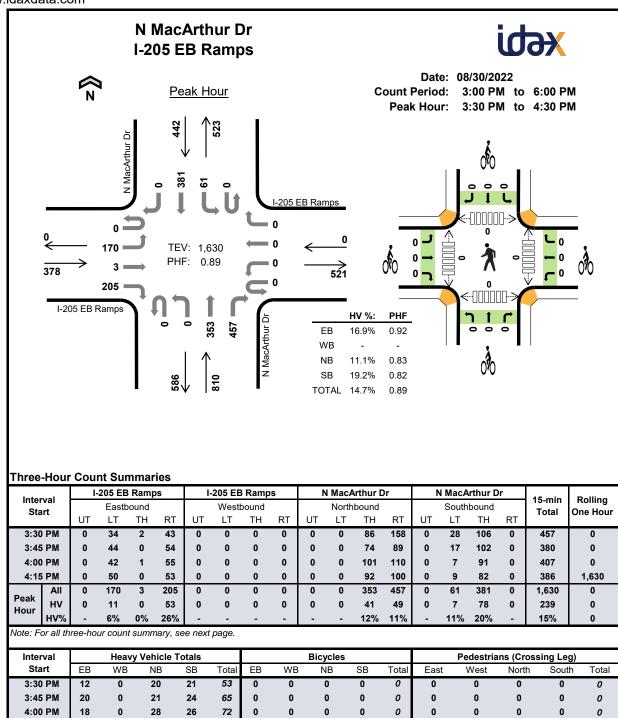
Interval		Heavy	Vehicle	Totals				Bicycles	i			Pedestria	ıns (Cross	ing Leg)	
Start	EB	WB	NB	SB	Total	EB	WB	NB	SB	Total	East	West	North	South	Total
5:30 AM	11	0	22	18	51	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
5:45 AM	8	0	29	20	57	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
6:00 AM	10	0	21	20	51	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
6:15 AM	10	0	18	24	52	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
6:30 AM	11	0	19	23	53	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
6:45 AM	18	0	41	20	79	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
7:00 AM	10	0	38	15	63	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
7:15 AM	13	0	37	30	80	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
7:30 AM	16	0	32	22	70	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
7:45 AM	16	0	35	16	67	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
8:00 AM	20	0	32	27	79	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
8:15 AM	11	0	33	19	63	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Count Total	154	0	357	254	765	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Peak Hour	65	0	136	95	296	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Interval	I-	205 EE	Ramp	s	I-	205 EE	Ramp	s	N	I MacA	rthur D	)r	N	I MacA	rthur D	r	15-min	Rolling
Start		Easth	ound			Westl	bound			North	bound			South	bound		Total	One Hour
	UT	LT	TH	RT	UT	LT	TH	RT	UT	LT	TH	RT	UT	LT	TH	RT	. • • • •	0.10 1.10
5:30 AM	0	2	0	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	12	10	0	1	17	0	51	0
5:45 AM	0	0	1	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	15	14	0	2	18	0	57	0
6:00 AM	0	1	0	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	12	9	0	3	17	0	51	0
6:15 AM	0	1	0	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	9	9	0	5	19	0	52	211
6:30 AM	0	4	0	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	13	0	5	18	0	53	213
6:45 AM	0	1	2	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	18	23	0	3	17	0	79	235
7:00 AM	0	1	0	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	21	17	0	3	12	0	63	247
7:15 AM	0	1	1	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	16	21	0	7	23	0	80	275
7:30 AM	0	0	0	16	0	0	0	0	0	0	14	18	0	2	20	0	70	292
7:45 AM	0	1	0	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	18	17	0	2	14	0	67	280
8:00 AM	0	3	0	17	0	0	0	0	0	0	12	20	0	9	18	0	79	296
8:15 AM	0	0	1	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	15	18	0	1	18	0	63	279
Count Total	0	15	5	134	0	0	0	0	0	0	168	189	0	43	211	0	765	0
Peak Hour	0	5	1	59	0	0	0	0	0	0	60	76	0	20	75	0	296	0

## Three-Hour Count Summaries - Bikes

Interval	I-20	5 EB Raı	mps	I-20	5 EB Ra	mps	N N	lacArthu	ır Dr	N M	lacArthu	r Dr	15-min	Rolling
Start	Е	Eastboun	d	V	Vestbour	ıd	N	lorthbour	nd	S	outhbour	nd	Total	One Hour
	LT	TH	RT	LT	TH	RT	LT	TH	RT	LT	TH	RT		
5:30 AM	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
5:45 AM	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
6:00 AM	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
6:15 AM	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
6:30 AM	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
6:45 AM	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
7:00 AM	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
7:15 AM	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
7:30 AM	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
7:45 AM	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
8:00 AM	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
8:15 AM	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Count Total	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Peak Hour	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Note: U-Turn volumes for bikes are included in Left-Turn, if any.



4:15 PM

Peak Hour

1		ŀ	205 EE	Ramp	s	ŀ	205 EE	Ramp	s	N	I MacA	rthur [	)r	N	I MacA	rthur D	r	45	D. III
Inter Sta			East	ound			Westl	bound			North	bound			South	bound		15-min Total	Rolling One Hour
Ota		UT	LT	TH	RT	UT	LT	TH	RT	UT	LT	TH	RT	UT	LT	TH	RT	Total	One Hour
3:00	PM	0	27	1	48	0	0	0	0	0	0	54	97	0	15	105	0	347	0
3:15	PM	0	32	2	41	0	0	0	0	0	0	69	83	0	6	97	0	330	0
3:30	PM	0	34	2	43	0	0	0	0	0	0	86	158	0	28	106	0	457	0
3:45	PM	0	44	0	54	0	0	0	0	0	0	74	89	0	17	102	0	380	1,514
4:00	PM	0	42	1	55	0	0	0	0	0	0	101	110	0	7	91	0	407	1,574
4:15	PM	0	50	0	53	0	0	0	0	0	0	92	100	0	9	82	0	386	1,630
4:30	PM	0	41	1	47	0	0	0	0	0	0	74	75	0	17	72	0	327	1,500
4:45	PM	0	32	0	48	0	0	0	0	0	0	78	74	0	10	59	0	301	1,421
5:00	PM	0	41	0	35	0	0	0	0	0	0	65	101	0	2	70	0	314	1,328
5:15	PM	0	33	0	38	0	0	0	0	0	0	77	77	0	7	72	0	304	1,246
5:30	PM	0	32	2	48	0	0	0	0	0	0	55	74	0	11	87	0	309	1,228
5:45	PM	0	22	1	35	0	0	0	0	0	0	68	72	0	6	64	0	268	1,195
Count	Total	0	430	10	545	0	0	0	0	0	0	893	1,110	0	135	1,007	0	4,130	0
Dook	All	0	170	3	205	0	0	0	0	0	0	353	457	0	61	381	0	1,630	0
Peak Hour	HV	0	11	0	53	0	0	0	0	0	0	41	49	0	7	78	0	239	0
Hour	HV%	-	6%	0%	26%	-	-	-	-	-	-	12%	11%	-	11%	20%	-	15%	0

Note: Three-hour count summary volumes include heavy vehicles but exclude bicycles in overall count.

Interval		Heavy	Vehicle	Totals				Bicycles	i			Pedestria	ıns (Cross	ing Leg)	
Start	EB	WB	NB	SB	Total	EB	WB	NB	SB	Total	East	West	North	South	Total
3:00 PM	13	0	33	17	63	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3:15 PM	15	0	33	22	70	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3:30 PM	12	0	20	21	53	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3:45 PM	20	0	21	24	65	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
4:00 PM	18	0	28	26	72	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
4:15 PM	14	0	21	14	49	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
4:30 PM	13	0	15	14	42	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
4:45 PM	10	0	22	10	42	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	2
5:00 PM	6	0	19	15	40	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	2
5:15 PM	3	0	21	20	44	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	2
5:30 PM	10	0	20	16	46	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
5:45 PM	8	0	15	11	34	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Count Total	142	0	268	210	620	0	0	0	0	0	2	5	0	0	7
Peak Hour	64	0	90	85	239	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

		205 EB	Domn		Ī	205 EE	Dome			l MacA	rthur D	١		l MaaA	rthur D			
Interval	- 1-	Eastb		15	-		bound	15	I N		bound	νr	r		bound	ır	15-min	Rolling
Start	UT	LT	TH	RT	UT	LT	TH	RT	UT	LT	TH	RT	UT	LT	TH	RT	Total	One Hour
3:00 PM	0	1	0	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	12	21	0	0	17	0	63	0
3:15 PM	0	2	1	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	12	21	0	2	20	0	70	0
3:30 PM	0	2	0	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	9	11	0	3	18	0	53	0
3:45 PM	0	2	0	18	0	0	0	0	0	0	10	11	0	2	22	0	65	251
4:00 PM	0	3	0	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	14	14	0	2	24	0	72	260
4:15 PM	0	4	0	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	13	0	0	14	0	49	239
4:30 PM	0	0	0	13	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	8	0	0	14	0	42	228
4:45 PM	0	2	0	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	13	9	0	1	9	0	42	205
5:00 PM	0	1	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	12	0	0	15	0	40	173
5:15 PM	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	15	0	2	18	0	44	168
5:30 PM	0	0	0	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	14	0	1	15	0	46	172
5:45 PM	0	0	0	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	15	0	1	10	0	34	164
Count Total	0	17	1	124	0	0	0	0	0	0	104	164	0	14	196	0	620	0
Peak Hour	0	11	0	53	0	0	0	0	0	0	41	49	0	7	78	0	239	0

## Three-Hour Count Summaries - Bikes

Interval	I-20	5 EB Rai	mps	I-20	5 EB Ra	mps	N N	lacArthu	ır Dr	NW	lacArthu	ır Dr	15-min	Rolling
Start	Е	Eastboun	d	V	Vestbour	ıd	N	lorthbour	nd	S	outhbour	nd	Total	One Hour
- Ctart	LT	TH	RT	LT	TH	RT	LT	TH	RT	LT	TH	RT		0.101.104.1
3:00 PM	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3:15 PM	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3:30 PM	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3:45 PM	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
4:00 PM	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
4:15 PM	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
4:30 PM	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
4:45 PM	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
5:00 PM	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
5:15 PM	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
5:30 PM	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
5:45 PM	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Count Total	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Peak Hour	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Note: U-Turn volumes for bikes are included in Left-Turn, if any.



# **B. SimTraffic Reports**

# Intersection: 1: N MacArthur Dr & I-205 WB Ramps

Movement	WB	WB	NB	NB	SB	SB
MOVEMENT	VVD	WD	IND	IND	SD	JD
Directions Served	L	TR	L	T	T	R
Maximum Queue (ft)	290	102	204	136	139	62
Average Queue (ft)	149	46	102	47	54	22
95th Queue (ft)	252	79	184	97	116	42
Link Distance (ft)		976	228	228	544	
Upstream Blk Time (%)			0			
Queuing Penalty (veh)			0			
Storage Bay Dist (ft)	500					450
Storage Blk Time (%)						
Queuing Penalty (veh)						

# Intersection: 2: N MacArthur Dr & I-205 EB Ramps

Movement	EB	EB	NB	NB	SB	SB
Directions Served	LT	R	Т	R	L	T
Maximum Queue (ft)	249	78	149	232	112	233
Average Queue (ft)	104	57	54	110	43	111
95th Queue (ft)	194	74	118	197	98	230
Link Distance (ft)	1106		747	747	228	228
Upstream Blk Time (%)						1
Queuing Penalty (veh)						2
Storage Bay Dist (ft)		25				
Storage Blk Time (%)	18	35				
Queuing Penalty (veh)	45	19				

# **Network Summary**

Network wide Queuing Penalty: 66

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## Intersection: 1: N MacArthur Dr & I-205 WB Ramps

Movement	WB	WB	NB	NB	SB	SB
Directions Served	L	TR	L	Т	Т	R
Maximum Queue (ft)	275	68	215	194	104	68
Average Queue (ft)	129	22	108	72	43	24
95th Queue (ft)	236	57	189	142	86	52
Link Distance (ft)		976	228	228	544	
Upstream Blk Time (%)			0	0		
Queuing Penalty (veh)			1	0		
Storage Bay Dist (ft)	500					450
Storage Blk Time (%)						
Queuing Penalty (veh)						

## Intersection: 2: N MacArthur Dr & I-205 EB Ramps

Movement	EB	EB	NB	NB	SB	SB
Directions Served	LT	R	T	R	L	T
Maximum Queue (ft)	332	78	215	193	111	228
Average Queue (ft)	155	54	101	75	44	101
95th Queue (ft)	278	71	187	140	86	200
Link Distance (ft)	1106		747	747	228	228
Upstream Blk Time (%)						0
Queuing Penalty (veh)						1
Storage Bay Dist (ft)		25				
Storage Blk Time (%)	40	23				
Queuing Penalty (veh)	91	45				

## **Network Summary**

Network wide Queuing Penalty: 138

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## Intersection: 10: N MacArthur Dr & I-205 WB Ramps

Movement	WB	WB	NB	NB	SB	SB
Directions Served	L	TR	L	T	Т	R
Maximum Queue (ft)	401	154	227	103	133	66
Average Queue (ft)	174	48	109	41	46	21
95th Queue (ft)	324	151	193	85	107	44
Link Distance (ft)		976	228	228	544	
Upstream Blk Time (%)			1			
Queuing Penalty (veh)			1			
Storage Bay Dist (ft)	500					450
Storage Blk Time (%)	0	0				
Queuing Penalty (veh)	1	0				

## Intersection: 11: N MacArthur Dr & I-205 EB Ramps

Movement	EB	EB	NB	NB	SB	SB
Directions Served	LT	R	T	R	L	T
Maximum Queue (ft)	295	76	212	283	121	241
Average Queue (ft)	118	58	69	117	38	129
95th Queue (ft)	229	74	157	226	94	253
Link Distance (ft)	1106		747	747	228	228
Upstream Blk Time (%)						2
Queuing Penalty (veh)						4
Storage Bay Dist (ft)		25				
Storage Blk Time (%)	17	39				
Queuing Penalty (veh)	49	20				

## **Network Summary**

Network wide Queuing Penalty: 75

## Intersection: 10: N MacArthur Dr & I-205 WB Ramps

Movement	WB	WB	NB	NB	SB	SB
Directions Served	L	TR	L	Т	T	R
Maximum Queue (ft)	310	76	241	161	139	69
Average Queue (ft)	152	22	150	78	51	23
95th Queue (ft)	259	60	249	143	105	50
Link Distance (ft)		976	228	228	544	
Upstream Blk Time (%)			2	0		
Queuing Penalty (veh)			6	0		
Storage Bay Dist (ft)	500					450
Storage Blk Time (%)						
Queuing Penalty (veh)						

## Intersection: 11: N MacArthur Dr & I-205 EB Ramps

Movement	EB	EB	NB	NB	SB	SB
Directions Served	LT	R	T	R	L	Т
Maximum Queue (ft)	460	75	342	224	118	238
Average Queue (ft)	217	55	154	91	48	112
95th Queue (ft)	410	71	283	171	99	234
Link Distance (ft)	1106		747	747	228	228
Upstream Blk Time (%)						1
Queuing Penalty (veh)						2
Storage Bay Dist (ft)		25				
Storage Blk Time (%)	46	28				
Queuing Penalty (veh)	120	53				

## **Network Summary**

Network wide Queuing Penalty: 182



## **C. Caltrans DEIR Comment Letter**

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June 2, 2022

10-SJ-205-PM R009.500 Tracy Alliance Project Suvik, Zuriakat SCH#2020080524

Victoria Lombardo City of Tracy 333 Civic Center Plaza Tracy, CA 95376

Dear Ms. Lombardo:

The California Department of Transportation appreciates the opportunity to review the proposed Mountain House Apartments. The project is located south of Interstate 205, east of Paradise Road, and north of Grant Line Road. The proposed project consists of the development of up to 3,352,320 square feet of warehouse and distribution and related uses on a total of approximately 191.18 acres. The site consists of six parcels under ownership by three separate parties: the Tracy Alliance Group owns two parcels (totaling approx. 122.44 acres), Suvik Farms, LLC owns three parcels (totaling approx. 46.61 acres), and Zuriakat owns one parcel (approx. 22.17 acres). The Department has the following comments:

- There is a future project 205/Chrisman Road interchange currently in PA&ED.
  Please continue to work with Caltrans to ensure this warehouse proposal will
  not conflict with the ultimate build out of the 205/Chrisman Road interchange
  footprint.
- 2. Please submit a revised Traffic Impact Study (TIS) report with the following changes to Caltrans for review and comment prior to project approval.
  - a. The TIS should include the following Analysis Scenarios.
    - i. Existing Conditions.
    - ii. Project Only Condition.
    - iii. Existing Conditions plus Project.
    - iv. Cumulative Conditions (Existing Conditions plus Other Approval and Pending Project without this project).
    - v. Cumulative Conditions with this project.

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vi. Synchro/Simtraffic version 10 electronic files should be included with the submittal.

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b. The TIS shows I-205/MacArthur interchange is the only access from freeway to this facility. At this time the south site of the interchanges is signed for STAA however, with the significant truck use of this facility, the 95th Percentile queue length analysis using Simtraffic (Simtraffic 5 runs, four 15-minute intervals with 10-minute seeding period) is required to review for all scenarios above to ensure no traffic spillback to the mainline. It is the project proponent's responsibility to provide mitigations to avoid negative impacts to the mainline operation.

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c. Please ensure the revised study clearly explains how the City's draft VMT per employee threshold is developed and is being met.

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d. The study should explain how all the project trip distributions are derived.

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e. The study should provide the supporting analysis documenting how the project's VMT per employee is derived.

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f. Please clarify how the City's travel demand model is utilized in developing the cumulative volumes.

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g. The revised study should cite the source of the Office of Planning and Research (OPR) guidance which allows the exclusion of truck trips from VMT impact analysis for clarification.

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3. From the perspective of goods movement there exists concern with the access to the proposed project. The traffic study identifies a daily truck traffic volume of 1510 vehicles to and from the proposed project. This volume is anticipated to access the proposed project by the MacArthur Road / I-205 interchange, then travel south on MacArthur Road to Grant Line Road to the project. MacArthur Road is a terminal access route consistent with the standards of the Surface Transportation Assistance Act (STAA) of 1984. However, Grant Line Road is not, according to a 2019 map of truck routes in Tracy. As the proposed project is a warehouse, it will likely require access by STAA class truck, and the City of Tracy and the project proponent must address this. The applicant will be responsible for making the needed improvements to the highway and acquiring the appropriate STAA Terminal Access approvals. Terminal Access application procedures can be found at the following link: https://dot.ca.gov/programs/traffic-operations/legal-truck-access/ta-process

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4. Since on-site mitigation measures are not able to significantly reduce the Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT) impacts, off-site mitigation measures should be considered and implemented as these may be acceptable as an exchange. The City could collect fees and use toward offsite mitigations such as public transit, bicycle, and pedestrian improvements to help reduce VMT impacts.

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- 5. The developer needs to ensure that the existing State drainage facilities will not be significantly impacted by the project. If historical undeveloped topography shows drainage from this site flowed into the State Right-of-Way, it may continue to do so with the conditions that peak flows may not be increased from the pre-construction quantity and the site runoff be treated to meet present storm water quality standards. Please submit to Caltrans would for review and comment the pre and post construction runoff calculations, basin calculations, and drainage plans to understand flow patterns prior to project approval.
- 6. An Encroachment Permit will be required for work (if any) done within Caltrans's right of way (ROW). This work is subject to the California Environmental Quality Act. Therefore, environmental studies may be required as part of the encroachment permits application. A qualified professional must conduct any such studies undertaken to satisfy Caltrans' environmental review responsibilities. Ground disturbing activities to the site prior to completion and/or approval of required environmental documents may affect Caltrans' ability to issue a permit for the project.

If you have any questions, please contact me at 209-483-2582 or Nicholas Fung at (209) 986-1552.

Sincerely,

Tom Dumas

Chief, Office of Metropolitan Planning

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CEQA Findings of Fact and
Statement of Overriding Considerations
Tracy Alliance Project
City of Tracy, San Joaquin County, California

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**Appendix A: Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program** 

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## CEQA FINDINGS OF FACT AND STATEMENT OF OVERRIDING CONSIDERATIONS

#### 1.1 - Introduction

The City of Tracy is the lead agency for the Tracy Alliance Project (State Clearinghouse [SCH] No. 2020080524) (proposed project). Having received, reviewed, and considered the EIR (as defined below) and other relevant information in the administrative record of proceedings, the Tracy City Council (City Council) hereby finds and adopts the findings set forth herein (collectively, "Findings") pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) (California Government Code § 21000 et seq.) and the CEQA Guidelines (California Public Resources Code [PRC] § 15000 et seq.) (collectively, "CEQA").

Pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21081 and CEQA Guidelines Section 15091:

No public agency shall approve or carry out a project for which an EIR has been certified which identifies one or more significant environmental effects of the project unless the public agency makes one or more written findings for each of those significant effects, accompanied by a brief explanation of the rationale for each finding. The possible findings are:

- (a) Changes or alterations have been required in, or incorporated into, the project which avoid or substantially lessen the significant environmental effect as identified in the Final EIR (hereinafter referred to as "finding (1)").
- (b) Such changes or alterations are within the responsibility and jurisdiction of another public agency and not the agency making the finding. Such changes have been adopted by such other agency or can and should be adopted by such other agency (hereinafter referred to as "finding (2)").
- (c) Specific economic, legal, social, technological or other considerations, including provision of employment opportunities for highly trained workers, make infeasible the mitigation measures or project alternatives identified in the Final EIR (hereinafter referred to as "finding (3)").

The required findings shall be supported by substantial evidence in the record. (CEQA Guidelines § 15091(b)).

As discussed in more detail below, for those impacts that cannot be mitigated below a level of significance, if the public agency intends to approve the project, the public agency must find that specific overriding economic, legal, social, technological, or other benefits of the project outweigh the significant effects of the project. (CEQA Guidelines §§ 15092(b)(2)(B), 15093).

## 1.2 - Overview of the Statement of Findings

Based on the nature and scope of the proposed project, the City of Tracy, as lead agency, determined that the proposed project may have significant effects on the environment even after the application

of all feasible mitigation measures. Therefore, a Draft Environmental Impact Report, including attached appendices (collectively, Draft EIR), was prepared, noticed, published, circulated, reviewed and completed in full compliance with CEQA. The Draft EIR was circulated for public review and comment (as described further below), after which the City of Tracy prepared a Final EIR/Responses to Comments, including attached appendices (collectively, "Final EIR"). References herein to the "EIR" are to the collective documentation contained in the Draft EIR and Final EIR. This City Council has heard, been presented with, reviewed, and considered all of the information and data in the administrative record, including, without limitation, the Draft and Final EIRs, and all oral and written evidence presented to it during the proposed project's entitlement process including, without limitation, evidence presented to it during all meetings and hearings on the matter. The EIR reflects the independent judgment of this City Council and is deemed adequate for purposes of making decisions on the merits of the proposed project.

The EIR for the proposed project identifies the effects on the environment which may occur as a result of the proposed project. Section 1.5 below sets forth the potential environmental effects which are not significant; because it has been determined that impacts would be less than significant, no mitigation is required. Section 1.6 below sets forth the potentially significant environmental effects that can feasibly be mitigated, as well as the feasible mitigation measures that would reduce them to less than significant levels. Section 1.7 below sets forth the potential environmental effects that cannot be mitigated to less than significant levels even after implementing all feasible mitigation measures, and therefore would remain significant and unavoidable. Section 1.8 summarizes the alternatives evaluated in the EIR and makes findings, with respect to each alternative, regarding its feasibility, its ability to achieve the project objectives, including whether and the extent to which it would lessen the significant environmental effects of the proposed project while still achieving most of the project objectives.

The following summarizes all significant effects of the proposed project and with respect to each environmental topic, makes one or more of the findings set forth in the Introduction above and states facts in support of such findings in accordance with CEQA's requirements.

The EIR as well as other documentation and materials set forth in the administrative record for the proposed project provide additional facts in support of these Findings. The mitigation measures set forth in the Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program (MMRP) (Attachment A) are incorporated by reference in these Findings, and the Findings in Sections 1.6 through 1.8 refer to individual mitigation measures as appropriate.

## 1.3 - Project Summary

#### **Project Location**

The 122.44-acre project site is located at the northeast corner of Grant Line Road and Paradise Road and consists of five Assessor's Parcel Numbers (APNs) 213-170-27, 213-170-24, -25, -26, and 213-170-14) (project site) held by three different ownership groups: the Tracy Alliance Group, the Suvik Farms Group, and the Zuriakat Group, respectively, in connection with individual development proposals. The entire project site is within unincorporated San Joaquin County, adjacent to the northeastern city

limits and within the City of Tracy's Sphere of Influence (SOI), 10-year planning horizon. The project site is directly east of the City's Northeast Industrial (NEI) Specific Plan boundary. The project site is bound by Interstate 205 (I-205) to the north, California Avenue to the northeast, Grant Line Road to the south, and Paradise Road to the west. In the EIR, and for purposes of these Findings of Fact and Statement of Overriding Considerations, the project site is described as consisting of three parcels: the Tracy Alliance parcel, the Suvik Farms parcel and the Zuriakat parcel, and the term "proposed project" means the development of all three parcels.

#### **Project Description**

The Tracy Alliance Group, Suvik Farms, LLC, and Zuriakat (co-applicants) are pursuing the proposed project, which consists, collectively, of the development of up to 3,352,320 square feet of warehouse and distribution and related development on a total of approximately 191.18 acres comprising six parcels. The six parcels consist of two Tracy Alliance parcels (totaling approximately 122.44 acres), three Suvik Farms, LLC parcels (totaling approximately 46.61 acres), and one Zuriakat parcel (approximately 22.17 acres).

The approximately 122 acres of the Tracy Alliance parcels would be developed with three buildings (Building A, Building B, and Building C) consisting of approximately 1,849,500 square feet of warehouse and distribution space (including ancillary office uses), approximately 12.51 acres of the Tracy Alliance land to be reserved to accommodate a portion of a planned interchange at Paradise Road and Interstate 205 (I-205),<sup>1</sup> and an approximately 12.44-acre stormwater detention basin area with pump station.

Development plans for the Suvik Farms, LLC parcels (identified as Suvik Farms parcels) and the Zuriakat parcel are not specified at this time. For the purposes of analysis in the EIR, buildout of these parcels is estimated to consist of a total of approximately 1,502,820 square feet of warehouse and distribution development, consistent with the maximum allowable density per acre identified in the NEI Specific Plan. Specifically, it is assumed that the Suvik Farm parcels would have a maximum building square footage of 1,023,660 square feet on approximately 46.61 acres of land area (50 percent floor area ratio [FAR]) and the Zuriakat parcel would have a maximum building square footage of 479,150 square feet on approximately 22.17 acres of land area (50 percent FAR). These parcels would be required to adhere to all applicable development standards and design guidelines, including those related to landscaping and parking. The entire proposed project includes demolition of 11 existing residential and agricultural structures on approximately four acres located at the southwestern corner of the Tracy Alliance parcels, removal of all crops, and construction of a warehouse facility. The proposed project would include landscaping consistent with all applicable City requirements, including, for example, approximately 110,000 square feet of landscaped areas associated with the site plan for the Tracy Alliance parcel. In connection with the individual development proposal for the Tracy Alliance parcels, the relevant site plan reflects approximately 1,134 automobile parking spaces, and approximately 572 trailer parking spaces. Parking for the

As explained in the EIR, the potential impacts of constructing this future interchange would undergo a separate environmental review process pursuant to CEQA and National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) once funding is programmed and available and once the ultimate design of the interchange is finalized; accordingly, the construction is not considered part of the proposed project (although the interchange is assumed to be in place as part of the cumulative conditions within the Transportation Impact Analysis prepared by Kimley Horn).

proposed project would be provided pursuant to applicable parking requirements of Tracy Municipal Code Chapter 10.08 Article 26; based on these requirements, the proposed project would be required to provide a total of approximately 1,153 automobile parking spaces. Trailer parking and bike parking spaces would also be provided pursuant to applicable City requirements and standards.

The proposed project would also include off-site roadway improvements, including a westbound right-turn lane at the intersection of Grant Line Road and North MacArthur Drive with a right-turn overlap of the signal phase as well as an additional second westbound left turn lane at the intersection of Chrisman Road and Eleventh Street with the signal timing being modified to allow a lagging phase for the eastbound left turn and northbound left turn. The City of Tracy General Plan designates the project site as Industrial. The project site would be annexed into the City of Tracy upon the Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCo) approval and detached from the Tracy Rural Fire District; at such time as the reorganization is complete, the current San Joaquin County General Plan designation (A/UR) would no longer apply to the project site. Because the project site is already designated Industrial by the City of Tracy General Plan, no land use re-designation (General Plan Amendment) would be required. The proposed project would be consistent with this City land use designation, for the reasons set forth in the EIR. The proposed project is expected to employ a total of approximately 1,871 people at full buildout. Upon annexation, the Tracy Fire Department and South San Joaquin County Fire Authority (South County Fire) would provide fire protection services to the project site.

#### **Project Objectives**

The quantifiable objectives of the proposed project include the following:

- Development of approximately 165 acres of industrial uses (building and parking areas).
- Development of 12.44 acres of public facilities (storm basin).
- Reserve 12.51 acres for future Interchange at Paradise Road and I-205.
- Build a maximum of 3,352,320 square feet of employment-generating industrial uses.

Qualitative objectives for the proposed project are as follows:

- **Employment Opportunities:** Provide for local and regional employment opportunities that take advantage of the proposed project area's high level of accessibility, allow for the expansion of the City's economic base, help improve the jobs/housing balance, and reduce the commute for regional residents.
- **Transportation:** Provide an efficient circulation system, including reserving land for a future interchange at Paradise Road and I-205 (construction of the interchange will not be completed as part of the proposed project).
- **Public Facilities and Services:** Provide infrastructure and services that meet applicable City standards and integrate with existing and planned facilities.
- **Phasing:** Establish a logical phasing plan designed to ensure that each phase of development would include necessary public improvements required to meet applicable City standards.

#### 1.3.3-Required Approvals

The following discretionary approvals and permits are required by the City for implementation of the proposed project:

- EIR Certification
- Prezoning to Northeast Industrial Specific Plan
- Northeast Industrial Specific Plan Amendment
- Development review permit(s)
- Tentative Parcel Map or Lot Line Adjustment as needed to create final development lots
- Resolution of City Initiation of Reorganization Proceedings
- Cancellation of the Williamson Act Contract on the Suvik Farms parcels (if required)

In addition, the following actions would be required by the City for implementation of the proposed project:

- Demolition permits
- Grading permits
- Building permits
- Certificates of occupancy

This list is representative and does not provide an exhaustive list of all subsequent City actions that may be necessary to implement the project.

In addition to the City, several other agencies will serve as Responsible and Trustee Agencies, pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15381 and Section 15386, respectively. The EIR provides environmental information that may be required to grant approvals or to support coordination with other agencies as part of project implementation. These agencies may include, but are not limited to the following:

- United States Army Corps of Engineers
- United States Fish and Wildlife Service
- California Department of Fish and Wildlife
- California Department of Transportation
- California Public Utilities Commission
- Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board
- County of San Joaquin
- San Joaquin Local Agency Formation Commission

Actions by other agencies that are necessary to implement the project:

- Annexation of the project site into the City of Tracy (San Joaquin LAFCo)
- Detachment of the project site from Tracy Rural Fire District (San Joaquin LAFCo)
- Coverage under General Construction Stormwater Permit (California State Water Resources Control Board/Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board)

- Approval of Indirect Source Review (San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District)
- Issuance of Encroachment Permits for roadway or utility improvements within facilities under the jurisdiction of the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) or the County of San Joaquin may also be necessary.

### 1.4 - Procedural Background

The City prepared and published a Notice of Preparation (NOP) for public review and comment by responsible and trustee agencies, as well as other interested agencies, organizations and individuals, from August 28, 2020 to September 30, 2020. The NOP and copies of comments received are included as Appendix A to the EIR.

On September 9, 2020, a scoping meeting was held as a virtual meeting via WebEx. The meeting was held at 7:00 p.m. during which individuals and organizations/agency representatives were provided an opportunity to submit oral and written comments pertaining to environmental concerns related to the proposed project and the proposed scope of the environmental review process.

Pursuant to Public Resources Code Sections 21161 and 21092 as well as CEQA Guidelines Sections 15085 and 15087(b), on April 20, 2022, a Notice of Completion (NOC)/Notice of Availability (NOA) document and copies of the Draft EIR were distributed to the State of California Governor's Office of Planning and Research State Clearinghouse, to those public agencies that have jurisdiction by law with respect to the proposed project, or that exercise authority over resources that may be affected by the proposed project, and to other interested parties and agencies as required by law.

The Draft EIR was publicly available at the City of Tracy Department of Development and Engineering Services at 333 Civic Center Plaza, Tracy, CA, 95376, as well as the Tracy Branch Library at 20 East Eaton Avenue, Tracy, CA 95376. In addition, the Draft EIR was posted on the City of Tracy Department of Development and Engineering Services website at https://www.cityoftracy.org/ourcity/departments/planning/specific-plans-environmental-impact-reports-and-initial-studies during the public review period. The Draft EIR was circulated for a public review period between April 20, 2022, and June 3, 2022, for 45 days.

A public meeting was held by the Planning Commission on May 25, 2022, at 333 Civic Center Plaza, which took place both virtually and in person. The meeting was held at 7:00 p.m. and interested individuals, organizations, and agency representatives were invited to provide oral and written comments on the Final EIR.

The City of Tracy received and evaluated numerous comments from other public agencies, as well as other interested organizations and individuals. After the close of the public review period for the Draft EIR, the City of Tracy prepared the Final EIR in accordance with CEQA, consisting of the comments received on significant environmental issues during the 45-day public review period on the Draft EIR, written responses to those comments, revisions to the Draft EIR, and an errata making minor, non-substantive changes to the Final EIR. The Final EIR was prepared and published on January 17, 2023. In accordance with applicable CEQA requirements, the responses to comments

contained in the Final EIR address all written and verbal comments on environmental issues received by the City during the 45-day public review period. In addition, although not required to do so under CEQA, for purposes of providing for full disclosure and to further facilitate the EIR serving as an informational document, the City elected, in its discretion, to respond to written comments received by the City after the close of the 45-day public review period.

As noted above, for purposes of these Findings, the "EIR" shall consist of the Draft EIR, all appendices attached to the Draft EIR, and the Final EIR (consisting of the Introduction, Errata, and Master and Individual Responses to Comments) and all appendices attached to the Final EIR. The conclusions and analyses set forth in the EIR are further supported by other documents and materials included in the administrative record.

## 1.5 - Statement of Findings

This City Council hereby finds that the EIR was prepared, published, circulated, reviewed and considered in accordance with CEQA and constitutes an accurate, adequate, objective and complete EIR. This City Council has exercised its independent judgment and analysis in evaluating the EIR. In exercising this judgment, this City Council has reviewed and considered the EIR and other relevant information in the administrative record including, without limitation, public testimony.

The City Council further finds, based on all of the evidence presented, including, without limitation, the EIR, written and oral testimony given at public meetings and hearings in connection therewith, and the submission of comments from interested individuals, organizations and other public agencies, as well as all other relevant information in the administrative record, the following environmental impacts associated with the proposed project are: (1) less than significant and do not require mitigation; or (2) potentially significant but will be avoided or reduced to a level of insignificance through the identified mitigation measures; or (3) significant and cannot be fully mitigated to a level of less than significant but will be substantially lessened to the extent feasible by the identified mitigation measures.

This City Council concludes that implementation of the proposed project could result in potentially significant and adverse environmental impacts as described in Section 1.7. As discussed herein, this City Council is required to make certain findings with respect to these impacts pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15091. Accordingly, this City Council hereby makes these required Findings, as set forth in this document. Among other things, these Findings summarize the environmental determinations about the proposed project's significant impacts before and after mitigation, and summarize the proposed project's individual and cumulative impacts. These Findings do not attempt to describe the full analysis of each environmental impact. Instead, they provide a summary description of each significant impact and the applicable mitigation measures identified in the EIR and adopted by this City Council (as reflected in the MMRP) and state the conclusions regarding the significance of each impact after incorporation of the identified mitigation measures. A comprehensive explanation of these environmental impact conclusions can be found in the EIR, as supplemented and explained in staff reports and materials presented by the project applicants, City of Tracy staff, and various project consultants, and other relevant materials in the administrative record.

The EIR contains substantial evidence to support all the conclusions presented in these Findings.

As reflected in certain comments, there is disagreement among various parties regarding particular conclusions in the EIR. CEQA and relevant case law interpreting the CEQA statute and Guidelines provide the standards for the treatment of disagreement among experts in the context of an EIR, as follows: Where evidence and opinions conflict on an issue concerning the environment, and the lead agency knows of these controversies in advance, the EIR and/or related findings must acknowledge the controversies, summarize the conflicting opinions of the experts, and include sufficient information on the controversy. In making a decision on a project where there is disagreement among experts, the lead agency is not obligated to select the viewpoint that purports to be the most environmentally sensitive. Instead, in the context of an EIR, such as the case at hand, decisionmakers are vested with the discretion to weigh expert opinion and choose which they intend to rely on and are not required to resolve a dispute among experts. In their proceedings, decision-makers must consider comments received concerning the adequacy of the EIR and address any objections raised in these comments pursuant to CEQA's mandate to facilitate disclosure and informed decisionmaking. However, decision-makers are not obligated to follow any directives, recommendations, or suggestions presented in comments on an EIR, and can certify an EIR without needing to resolve disagreements among experts.

In making its decision to certify the EIR and approve the proposed project, this City Council recognizes that a range of technical and scientific opinion exists with respect to certain environmental issues, including air quality and greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions impacts, among others. This City Council has acquired a comprehensive and well-rounded understanding of the range of this technical and scientific opinion by its review of the EIR; as well as by its review of the information provided by the experts who prepared the EIR; the City's other consultants and its staff; along with testimony, letters, reports, and other relevant materials in the administrative record, as well as its own experience and expertise in these matters. The materials reviewed by this City Council include conflicting expert opinions and conflicting interpretations of facts, as well as other comments on the environmental issues set forth in the EIR. This comprehensive review has enabled this City Council to make its decisions after weighing and considering the various viewpoints on these important issues, and this City Council has made determinations of significant effects based on substantial evidence, not public controversy or speculation. Accordingly, this City Council hereby certifies that its Findings and determinations are based on all of the evidence contained in the EIR, as well as the evidence and other information in the record addressing the environmental impacts of the proposed project, and hereby elects to rely on the analysis and evidence set forth in the EIR.

The EIR is incorporated into these Findings in its entirety. Without limitation, this incorporation is intended to elaborate on the scope and nature of mitigation measures, the basis for determining the significance of impacts, the comparative analysis of alternatives, and the reasons for approving the proposed project despite the potential for associated significant and unavoidable adverse impacts.

This City Council hereby adopts, and incorporates as enforceable conditions of approval of the proposed project, the mitigation measures set forth in the Mitigation, Monitoring and Reporting Program (MMRP) (Attachment A), which has been prepared in accordance with CEQA Guidelines Section 15097. This City Council adopts this MMRP as it pertains to the proposed project and finds

that the mitigation measures set forth in the MMRP will reduce or avoid the potentially significant environmental effects of the proposed project to the extent feasible for the reasons described in the EIR. In the event a mitigation measure recommended in the EIR has inadvertently been omitted from the MMRP, this City Council hereby adopts such mitigation measure(s) as stated in the EIR and hereby incorporates said mitigation measure into these Findings by reference.

The mitigation measures as set forth in the MMRP are being made enforceable as conditions of approval. Accordingly, changes or alterations have been required in, or incorporated into the proposed project, which avoid or substantially lessen the significant environmental effects identified in the EIR. The proposed project has several significant and unavoidable impacts, as discussed further in Section 1.8 below.

Various measures were suggested by commenters as proposed additional mitigation measures or modifications to the mitigation measures identified in the EIR. Other comments requested mitigation measures for impacts that were determined by the City to be less than significant or requested additional mitigation measures for impacts that were already determined by the City to be reduced to a less than significant level by the proposed mitigation measures. These requests are declined as unnecessary except as otherwise set forth in the Final EIR. This City Council adopts the reasons set forth in the EIR and as otherwise further supported by materials and other information in the administrative record as its grounds for rejecting the suggested adoption of new mitigation measures beyond those detailed in the Final EIR.

In addition, certain commenters suggested that additional analyses be completed and/or that analyses be conducted utilizing different modeling, methodologies, thresholds and/or assumptions. These requests are declined as unnecessary except as otherwise set forth in the Final EIR. This City Council adopts the reasons set forth in the EIR and as otherwise further supported by materials and other information in the administrative record as its grounds for rejecting the suggested additional and/or modified analyses beyond that which is detailed in the Final EIR.

Regarding the potential for growth-inducing impacts of the proposed project, this City Council adopts the conclusions set forth in the EIR, including but not limited to the conclusions in Section 5.2 (Growth-Inducing Effects), based upon the evidence and reasoning they reflect, and adopts the findings as set forth in Section 1.10 below.

With respect to the potential significant and irreversible environmental effects of the proposed project, this City Council hereby adopts the conclusions set forth in the EIR, including but not limited to the conclusions in Section 3.16 (Utilities and Service Systems), Section 3.6 (Energy), and Section 5.3 (Significant Irreversible Changes), based upon the evidence and reasoning they reflect, and adopts the findings as set forth in Section 1.11 below.

# 1.6 - Potential Environmental Effects Which are Not Significant Without Mitigation

Based on the information in the administrative record of proceedings, including the EIR, the following environmental effects are found to be less than significant, and therefore do not trigger the need for any mitigation. (CEQA Guidelines § 15091)

The section numbering used below is the same numbering used in the EIR. In addition to the supporting information presented below, please refer to the EIR, under separate cover, for greater detail.

To provide more meaningful public disclosure, reduce the time and cost required to prepare an environmental impact report, and focus on potentially significant effects on the environment of a proposed project, the EIR focuses on those potential effects on the environment of the proposed project which the City of Tracy has determined are or may be significant. Accordingly, consistent with Public Resources Code Sections 21100 and 21002.1 and CEQA Guidelines Section 15128s, the EIR focused its analysis on potentially significant and significant impacts. For other impacts for which it can be seen with certainty there is no potential for significant adverse environmental impacts, the EIR has limited discussion on these other effects to a brief explanation as to why those effects are not potentially significant.

Accordingly, this City Council, based on the evidence and reasoning set forth in the EIR, finds that there are no mineral resource recovery sites or known mineral resources on or in the vicinity of the project site; therefore, there are no impacts to mineral resources (Draft EIR, Page 4-1). Because the proposed project is industrial in nature and would not develop single-family or multi-family residential uses, no direct population growth would be expected to occur because of the proposed project; therefore, there would be no impacts to Population and Housing (Draft EIR, Page 4-2). Additionally, because the quantity of existing visitors and total facility usage would not likely increase significantly as a result of the proposed project, the City Council finds there would be no impacts to Parks and Recreation (Draft EIR, Page 4-3).

The EIR discusses and analyzes all other environmental topical areas for potential impacts. CEQA Guidelines Section 15091 does not require specific findings to address environmental effects that an EIR identifies as "no impact" or a "less than significant" impact and for which no mitigation is necessary. Nevertheless, based on its independent judgment and the entire administrative record before it, this City Council finds that the following potential environmental effects would not be significant and no mitigation is necessary for the reasons stated below and as further detailed in the EIR.

#### 1.6.1 - Aesthetics

#### **Potential Effect**

**Impact AES-1:** The proposed project would not have a substantial adverse effect on a scenic vista. (Draft EIR, Page 3.1-15).

**Findings:** Less than significant impact.

Facts in Support of Findings: The General Plan identifies scenic resources, rather than scenic vistas. During construction, views of scenic resources could be impacted because of construction vehicles and dust generated from construction of the proposed project. Scenic resources include views of the Diablo Range, natural landscapes surrounding the Paradise Cut, Old River, Tom Paine Sloughs, expansive agricultural areas and hillside areas, as well as views from the exits on I-205 off MacArthur Drive, Tracy Boulevard, Grant Line Road and Eleventh Street, and exits from I-580 at Lammers Road and Corral Hollow Road. The scenic resources visible from the project site and from adjacent, publicly accessible roadways (Grant Line Road, Paradise Road, and California Avenue) include views of the "entry corridors" from eastbound I-205 off MacArthur Drive, views of expansive agricultural lands, and views of the Diablo Range to the west.

Construction of the proposed project would obstruct, to a certain degree, views of expansive agricultural lands on and adjacent to the project site from these roadways. Though the project site is located far from the Diablo Range (approximately 9 miles to the east of the range), the Diablo Range is still visible from California Avenue. Views of expansive agricultural lands or views of the Diablo Range from California Avenue would only be partially obstructed while the structures of the buildings are being erected. Dust caused by construction would be kicked up intermittently throughout the day but would not obstruct these views for long periods of time, and any such minor impacts would be reduced by dust control measures to which the applicants for individual development proposals would be required to adhere. Therefore, construction of the proposed project would not result in a substantial impact to publicly accessible views from certain roadways of certain scenic resources (expansive agricultural lands and certain views of the Diablo Range) as defined in the General Plan.

The area surrounding the project site is a transition zone between rural and agricultural lands to an urban environment, and the General Plan seeks to enhance the City's identity by creating a soft transition between urban and non-urban uses around the edge of the City. Techniques used to achieve this goal are addressed in Goal CC-4, which recommends the use of buffer zones and landscaping to create appropriate transitions. The proposed project would be required to adhere to this goal and associated policies.

During operation, the buildings would not significantly interrupt views from the entry corridor off MacArthur Drive because of the distance to those corridors as well as intervening development and trees, all of which would remain, and drivers along I-205 are considered to have a relatively low sensitivity because of the speed of travel along the highway.

The proposed project would provide setbacks, and the proposed buildings would be similar in height to the existing industrial development located between the publicly accessible roadways and the Diablo Range. In addition, pursuant to the NEI Specific Plan, the maximum height for the proposed buildings would be 60 feet. Even with the setback and adherence to applicable development standards and design guidelines, given the change in the project site from expansive agriculture land to a large industrial site and the proximity of the project site to Grant Line Road, Paradise Road, and California Avenue, operation of the proposed project would impact views of expansive agricultural

lands on and adjacent to the project site from publicly accessible roadways. However, this type of change was envisioned by the City in the General Plan and is in keeping with the General Plan goals, objectives and policies described above, as well as other surrounding urbanized uses in the general vicinity.

The proposed project would result in further obstruction of views of the Diablo Range from drivers along California Avenue; however, this roadway is considered to have a low sensitivity because of the typical speed of travel. In addition, this type of industrial development would be a continuation of the type of development that was envisioned by the General Plan and the already increasingly urbanized nature of the general vicinity (Draft EIR, Page 3.1-15–17). The proposed project's impacts would be less than significant. No mitigation is necessary.

#### **Potential Effect**

**Impact AES-2:** The proposed project would not substantially damage scenic resources, including, but not limited to, trees, rock outcroppings, and historic buildings within a State Scenic Highway. (Draft EIR, Page 3.1-17).

**Findings:** Less than significant impact.

**Facts in Support of Findings:** I-580 is officially designated as a State Scenic Highway between I-205 and I-5 and is the nearest State Scenic Highway from the project site. The project site is located approximately 7.2 miles northeast of I-580 and is not visible from that highway. Intervening trees and development, all of which would remain, would obscure the project site from being viewed from this portion of the highway. Therefore, the proposed project would not substantially damage any scenic resources during construction or operation. The proposed project's impacts would be less than significant. No mitigation is necessary.

#### **Potential Effect**

**Impact AES-3:** The proposed project is in an urbanized area. The proposed project would not conflict with applicable zoning and other regulations governing scenic quality. (Draft EIR, Page 3.1-18–19).

**Findings:** Less than significant impact.

Facts in Support of Findings: The proposed project is in an urbanized area. Primary land uses allowed under this designation consist of flex/office space, manufacturing, warehousing and distribution, and ancillary uses for workers' needs (e.g., restaurants, parks, consumers services, etc.). The maximum allowed FAR is 0.5. The project site is not currently within City limits although it is within the City's current SOI (10-year planning horizon); accordingly, the City of Tracy does not currently provide a zoning designation for the project site, although the City has designated the project site as "Industrial" in its General Plan. The co-applicants are requesting prezoning to a designation of NEI Specific Plan and an amendment to the boundaries of the NEI Specific Plan to include the project site.

Pursuant to the NEI Specific Plan, the maximum height for the proposed project would be 60 feet (similar to other industrial buildings in the area) and the proposed buildings would not be allowed to

exceed this height. This height would also be consistent and thus compatible with adjacent existing industrial uses to the south and west. The proposed project would be required to adhere to General Plan Goal CC-4 and associated policies, including the use of a buffer zone and landscaping, which could be provided by the proposed stormwater detention basin. The proposed buildings would be set back (by at least 10 feet) from California Avenue, which would provide a transition between the residential uses and agricultural lands adjacent to the project site. The proposed project would be required to comply with applicable General Plan and NEI Specific Plan design guidelines, policies and development standards set forth therein to ensure consistency and enhance overall visual compatibility with surrounding existing and planned uses (Draft EIR, Page 3.1-18–19). The proposed project's impacts would be less than significant. No mitigation is necessary.

#### **Potential Effect**

**Impact AES-4:** The proposed project would not create a new source of substantial light or glare which would adversely affect day or nighttime views in the area. (Draft EIR, Page 3.1-19).

**Findings:** Less than significant impact.

Facts in Support of Findings: Construction-related impacts would include a certain amount of light and glare from construction equipment and machinery as well as nighttime security lighting. However, light and glare during the construction phase would be temporary and limited to the duration of construction. Pursuant to Section 4.12.820 of the Municipal Code, construction activities would be limited to the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 10:00 p.m. on weekdays or between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 10:00 p.m. on weekends and federal holidays, which would limit the amount of nighttime construction lighting. Though there would be some nighttime lighting, it would not occur during the most sensitive time period (after 10:00 p.m.) when sleeping activities would most likely occur.

The project site contains minimal existing light and glare due to the small amount of existing development on-site. Additional exterior lighting would be located around and within the project site for security and safety reasons. As a result, the proposed project would increase the amount of light and glare on the project site. The light fixtures used for the proposed project would meet all applicable standards pursuant to the latest adopted edition of the California Building Standards Code (CBC) and would be installed throughout the length of the New Private Drive pursuant to applicable provisions of the Municipal Code. The proposed project would be required to adhere to all applicable development standards and design guidelines provided in the NEI Specific Plan intended to reduce daytime glare and nighttime lighting. Project signage would be required to conform to the applicable requirements of Municipal Code Chapter 10.08, Article 35, except as modified by the NEI Specific Plan. A site-specific sign program would be prepared and integrated into the total design concept for each individual development proposal within the proposed project, and all signs would be approved prior to installation. Sign illumination would be confined to the area of the sign except when such illumination is back lighting for an otherwise non-illuminated sign. No sign illumination would cast a glare which is visible from any street. Landscaping would further reduce light spillage off-site and help to block glare from significantly impacting nearby uses to the extent feasible.

Windows installed as part of the proposed project could result in glare, although it would be partially obscured by landscaping. Glare may also occur from on-site vehicles; however, such glare would be transient. Because of the proposed project's location adjacent to other existing urban development, the proposed project would not add significant nighttime lighting or glare in an area with no existing lighting impacts. (Draft EIR, Page 3.1-19–20). The proposed project's impacts would be less than significant. No mitigation is necessary.

#### **Cumulative Impact**

The proposed project's cumulative impacts related to aesthetics would be less than significant. (Draft EIR, Page 3.1-21).

**Findings:** Less than significant impact.

Facts in Support of Findings: The relevant geographic scope of review is within the immediate vicinity surrounding the project site. This is the area within view of the proposed project. The cumulative setting includes relevant past, present and reasonably foreseeable future development. There are three probable future cumulative projects located within 1 mile of the project site. The cumulative projects are subject to applicable City Code provisions, development standards and design policies and guidelines related to building heights, setbacks, undergrounding of utilities, landscaping, signage, and permitted land uses as described in the EIR, which would serve to reduce visual impacts to a certain extent. The past, present and reasonably foreseeable cumulative projects would be consistent with the types of projects envisioned in the General Plan, would reflect the increasingly urbanized nature of this area, and would adhere to all applicable regulations and policies. As described above, the proposed project would not result in significant impacts with respect to visual character and views and would not have a cumulatively considerable contribution to the already less than significant cumulative impact.

Existing and new buildings associated with the existing and foreseeable cumulative projects could result in an increase in light and glare impacts on surrounding uses. Because these cumulative projects would be adjacent to other existing urban development, they would add significant nighttime lighting or glare in an area with relatively limited existing lighting. The cumulative projects are required to adhere to all applicable development standards and design guidelines provided in the NEI Specific Plan intended to reduce daytime glare and nighttime lighting; the City would confirm consistency with these requirements as part of the development review process. Therefore, there is a less than significant cumulative impact to light and glare. As discussed above, the proposed project would have a less than significant impact with respect to light and glare and its contribution to the already less than significant cumulative impact would not be considered cumulatively considerable.

The proposed project combined with the relevant cumulative projects would include sources of daytime glare such as direct beam sunlight and reflections from windows, architectural coatings, glass, and other reflective surfaces. Nighttime illumination would include stationary sources such as structure lighting and decorative landscaping, lighted signs, solar panels, and streetlights. Mobile nighttime sources would primarily be from headlights from motor vehicles. As described above, the proposed project would be adding a certain amount of lighting and glare in an area with relatively

limited existing lighting, but would be required to adhere to all applicable development standards provided in the NEI Specific Plan intended to reduce daytime glare and nighttime lighting. Accordingly, the proposed project would not result in a cumulatively considerable contribution to the already less than significant cumulative impact (Draft EIR, Page 3.1-20–21).

#### 1.6.2 - Agriculture and Forestry Resources

#### **Potential Effect**

**Impact AG-2:** The proposed project would not conflict with existing zoning for agricultural use, or a Williamson Act Contract (Draft EIR, Page 3.2-9).

**Findings:** Less than significant impact.

**Facts in Support of Findings:** The existing zoning for the project site is AG-40 under the County's General Plan. However, the co-applicants are requesting prezoning to "Northeast Industrial (NEI) Specific Plan," which would take effect upon annexation into the City. The prezoning allows for the proposed industrial use, and the change in zoning from AG-40 under the County's General Plan to NEI Specific Plan zoning would ensure there is no conflict with existing zoning.

The Suvik Farms parcels are covered by an active Williamson Act Contract; none of the other land within the project site is covered by an active Williamson Act Contract. Pursuant to the applicable provisions of the California Government Code, the Suvik Farms landowners initiated a Notice of Nonrenewal in 2017 for the contract, beginning a 9-year process to formally expire the contract. Based on the date of the Notice of Nonrenewal, the contract will expire on August 21, 2026. Additionally, State law provides a detailed procedure to terminate a Williamson Act Contract. Accordingly, should development of the Suvik Farms parcels be pursued prior to the Williamson Act Contract expiration date, then pursuant to the provisions of the Williamson Act, the applicant for the development of the Suvik Farms parcels would be required to petition the City Council for cancellation, or agree to the imposition of a condition of approval such that no permit for development on the Suvik Farms parcels would be issued prior to the August 21, 2026, expiration date. Accordingly, because the Suvik Farms parcels applicant would be required to follow applicable provisions of State law, the proposed project would not result in any conflicts with a Williamson Act Contract (Draft EIR, Page 3.2-9–10). The proposed project's impacts would be less than significant. No mitigation is necessary.

#### **Potential Effect**

**Impact AG-3:** The proposed project would not conflict with existing zoning for, or cause rezoning of, forest land, timberland, or timberland zoned Timberland Production. (Draft EIR, Page 3.2-10).

**Findings:** No impact.

**Facts in Support of Findings:** The project site does not contain any forest land or timberland, as defined by Public Resource Code Section 4526, nor does it contain any timberland zoned Timberland Production, as defined by Government Code Section 51104(g). This condition precludes the

possibility of the proposed project conflicting with forest zoning of forest land or timberland (Draft EIR, Page 3.2-10). The proposed project would have no impact. No mitigation is necessary.

#### **Potential Effect**

**Impact AG-4:** The proposed project would not result in the loss of forest land or conversion of forest land to non-forest use. (Draft EIR, Page 3.2-10).

**Findings:** No impact.

**Facts in Support of Findings:** The project site is adjacent to urbanized, industrial land uses (with these surrounding uses also not containing any forest land) and does not contain any forest land. This condition precludes the possibility of the proposed project converting forest land to non-forest use (Draft EIR, Page 3.2-10). The proposed project would have no impact. No mitigation is necessary.

#### **Potential Effect**

**Impact AG-5:** The proposed project would not involve other changes in the existing environment which, due to their location or nature, could result in conversion of Farmland, to nonagricultural use or conversion of forest land to non-forest use. (Draft EIR, Page 3.2-11)

**Findings:** Less than significant impact.

Facts in Support of Findings: The County of San Joaquin zones areas north, east, and south of the project site (outside City limits) as AG-40, General Agriculture (40 acres), and designates these lands under the County General Plan as General Agriculture (A/G). Similar to the project site, the land directly northwest of the project site (north of I-205) is within the City's SOI and is designated Industrial by the City's General Plan. For this land to be converted to nonagricultural uses, it would need to be annexed into the City of Tracy (or seek the appropriate discretionary approvals from the County to modify the agricultural land use and zoning designations) and would require the completion of CEQA analysis prior to the discretionary approval of any urban development. However, the proposed project does not include the annexation of these lands and, therefore, would not result in a change in the existing environment that could result in conversion of Farmland to nonagricultural use. Though there is a possibility this land would be converted to nonagricultural uses in the future, the proposed project would not be the cause of that conversion. Moreover, the proposed project would be required to adhere to applicable Right-to-Farm provisions described above, which would help to avoid any potential land use incompatibility issues that could otherwise facilitate the eventual conversion of other agricultural lands. The project site is adjacent to urbanized, industrial land uses and does not contain any forest land. This condition precludes the possibility of the proposed project converting forest land to non-forest use (Draft EIR, Page 3.2-11). The proposed project's impacts would be less than significant or no impact. No mitigation is necessary.

#### 1.6.3 - Air Quality

#### **Potential Effect**

**Impact AIR-4:** The proposed project would not result in other emissions (such as those leading to odors) adversely affecting a substantial number of people. (Draft EIR, Page 3.3-52).

**Findings:** Less than significant impact.

**Facts in Support of Findings:** Odor impacts occur when a new odor source is located near an existing sensitive receptor or when a new sensitive receptor locates near an existing source of odor. Impacts to new receptors is generally outside the scope of CEQA review but is included in the Draft EIR analysis for informational purposes.

Land uses that are typically identified as sources of objectionable odors include landfills, transfer stations, sewage treatment plants, wastewater pump stations, composting facilities, feed lots, coffee roasters, asphalt batch plants, and rendering plants. The proposed project would not involve any of these or similar activities. Therefore, the proposed project would not be considered to have the potential to expose nearby persons to substantial sources of objectionable odors.

During construction, the various diesel-powered vehicles and equipment in use on-site would create localized odors. These odors would be temporary and would not likely be noticeable for extended periods of time beyond the project's site boundaries. The proposed project would neither constitute a land use which would generate odors affecting a substantial amount of people nor place new sensitive receptors that could be affected by any existing odor sources (Draft EIR, Page 3.3-52–53). The proposed project's impacts would be less than significant. No mitigation is necessary.

#### 1.6.4 - Biological Resources

#### **Potential Effect**

**Impact BIO-2:** The proposed project would not have a substantial adverse effect on riparian habitat or other sensitive natural community identified in local or regional plans, policies, regulations, or by the California Department of Fish and Wildlife or United Sates Fish and Wildlife Service. (Draft EIR, Page 3.4-26).

**Findings:** Less than significant impact.

Facts in Support of Findings: A small portion of the project site contains approximately 0.07 acre of cattail marsh. The majority of the cattails consisted of broadleaf cattails; this vegetation type is not classified as a sensitive natural community, but rather a California Natural Community by the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) (Type 52.050.04–Typha [latifolia, angustifolia]) and is not applicable to this resource category. The project site does not contain any riparian habitat or sensitive natural communities identified in local or regional plans, policies, or regulations, by the CDFW or United States Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) (Draft EIR, Page 3.4-26–27). The proposed project's impacts would be less than significant. No mitigation is necessary.

#### **Potential Effect**

**Impact BIO-4:** The proposed project would not substantially interfere with the movement of native resident or migratory fish or wildlife species or with established native resident or migratory wildlife corridors, or impede the use of native wildlife nursery sites. (Draft EIR, Page 3.4-29).

**Findings:** Less than significant impact.

**Facts in Support of Findings:** The project site is surrounded by industrial developments and is situated in a semi-urban landscape with high amounts of traffic from local industrial operations. Further, I-205 separates the project site from the closest wildlife corridor to the north, and I-5 and Business I-205 preclude non-volant wildlife movement from the east and southeast. The project site is not part of or within a wildlife movement corridor and, for this reason, impacts would be less than significant under CEQA (Draft EIR, Page 3.4-29–30). No mitigation is necessary.

#### **Potential Effect**

**Impact BIO-5:** The proposed project would not conflict with local policies or ordinances protecting biological resources, such as a tree preservation policy or ordinance. (Draft EIR, Page 3.4-30).

**Findings:** No impact.

Facts in Support of Findings: The proposed project would be required to adhere to the relevant provisions of the San Joaquin County Multi-Species Habitat Conservation and Open Space Plan (SJMSCP). Participation in the SJMSCP ensures that potential impacts for covered species are mitigated below a level of significance in compliance with CEQA as well as the Endangered Species Act and California Endangered Species Act (CESA). Therefore, the proposed project would be subject to compliance to the SJMSCP, which may include payment of development fees and implementation of other identified mitigation measures (Draft EIR, Page 3.4-30–31). The proposed project would have no impact. No mitigation is necessary.

#### **Potential Effect**

**Impact BIO-6:** The proposed project would not conflict with the provisions of an adopted Habitat Conservation Plan, Natural Community Conservation Plan, or other approved local, regional, or State Habitat Conservation Plan. (Draft EIR, Page 3.4-30)

**Findings:** Less than significant impact.

Facts in Support of Findings: Because the project site is located within the SJMSCP Planning Area, and the City is a signatory to the SJMSCP, the proposed project would be required to adhere to the relevant provisions of the SJMSCP. Participation in the SJMSCP ensures that potential impacts for covered species are mitigated below a level of significance in compliance with CEQA as well as the Endangered Species Act and CESA. Therefore, the proposed project would be subject to compliance with the SJMSCP, which may include payment of development fees for the conversion of lands that may provide habitat for covered special-status species as well as implementation of other identified mitigation measures. Implementation of the SJMSCP would ensure that specific impacts to listed

species are less than significant under CEQA. Additionally, any potential conflicts with the SJMSCP would be limited to the construction phase of the proposed project, and construction would need to proceed in accordance with all applicable laws and regulations including those set forth in the SJMSCP. Therefore, no impacts related to conflicts with the SJMSCP would occur. Impacts would be less than significant.

#### 1.6.5 - Energy

#### **Potential Effect**

**Impact ENER-1:** The proposed project would not result in potentially significant environmental impact due to wasteful, inefficient, or unnecessary consumption of energy resources, during project construction or operation. (Draft EIR, Page 3.6-22).

**Findings:** Less than significant impact.

Facts in Support of Findings: For purposes of a conservative analysis, the anticipated construction schedule for all three phases of development was assumed to begin in April 2022 and conclude in March 2025. Construction equipment is estimated to consume a total of approximately 446,864 gallons of diesel fuel over the entire construction duration. In total, the proposed project is estimated to generate approximately 2,937,391 Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT) and a combined approximately 155,123 gallons of gasoline and diesel for vehicle travel during construction. Equipment could include singlewide mobile office trailers, which are commonly used in construction staging areas and generally range in size from 160 square feet to 720 square feet. A typical 720square-foot office trailer would consume approximately 21,562 kWh during the 3-year construction phase. Limitations on idling of vehicles and equipment along with requirements that equipment be properly maintained would result in fuel savings. Similarly, compliance with applicable State laws and regulations would limit idling from both on-road and off-road diesel-powered equipment and are part of a comprehensive regulatory framework that is implemented by the California Air Resources Control Board (ARB). Additionally, as a practical matter, it is reasonable to assume that the overall construction schedule and process would be designed to be as efficient as feasible in order to avoid excess monetary costs. For example, equipment and fuel are not typically used wastefully due to the added expense associated with renting the equipment, maintaining it, and fueling it. Therefore, the opportunities for further future efficiency gains during construction are limited. For the foregoing reasons, it is anticipated that the construction phase of the proposed project would not result in wasteful, inefficient, and unnecessary consumption of energy.

During operation, the proposed project would consume energy as part of building operations and transportation activities. Project energy consumption is summarized in Table 3.6-1 of the Draft EIR (Draft EIR, Page 3.6-23). Operation of the proposed project would consume an estimated 16,056,160 kWh of electricity and an estimated 21,072,650 kBTU of natural gas on an annual basis. The proposed project's buildings would be designed and constructed in accordance with the City's latest adopted energy efficiency standards, which are based on the State's Title 24 Energy Efficiency Standards for Nonresidential Buildings and Green Building Code Standards. The proposed project would be required to incorporate electrical conduit to facilitate future installation of electric vehicle (EV) charging infrastructure, and would be required to design the proposed buildings to structurally

accommodate future installation of a rooftop solar system. As such, the design of the proposed project would facilitate the future commitment to renewable energy resources. Therefore, building energy consumption would not be considered wasteful, inefficient, or unnecessary.

Project-related vehicle trips would consume an estimated 805,478 gallons of gasoline and diesel annually. The proposed project would include the installation of bicycle parking fixtures at 5 percent of the proposed automobile parking spaces, encouraging the use of alternative modes of transportation for worker commutes. Regional access to the project site is provided via US Interstate 205, which borders the project site. Moreover, the proposed project would be required to implement various Transportation Demand Management (TDM) strategies that would contribute to fuel savings through incentives for project staff to utilize nonmotorized transportation modes. Thus, transportation fuel consumption would not be wasteful, inefficient, or unnecessary (Draft EIR, Page 3.6-22–24). The proposed project's impacts would be less than significant or no impact. No mitigation is necessary.

#### **Potential Effect**

**Impact ENER-2:** The proposed project would not conflict with or obstruct a State or local plan for renewable energy or energy efficiency. (Draft EIR, Page 3.6-24).

**Findings:** Less than significant impact.

Facts in Support of Findings: The proposed project would be served with electricity provided by Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E). In 2018, PG&E's electricity-generating portfolio contained 39 percent electricity generated from renewable sources. The utility is required to meet the future objective of 60 percent of electricity from renewable energy sources by 2030. The buildings would be required to be designed in accordance with all applicable laws and regulations including the provisions of Title 24, California's Energy Efficiency Standards for Nonresidential Buildings and Title 24, Green Building Code Standards.

The City's Sustainability Action Plan and General Plan contain goals, objectives and policies related to energy conservation. Compliance with applicable Title 24 standards would ensure that the proposed project would not conflict with any of the Sustainability Action Plan energy conservation policies related to the proposed project's building envelope, mechanical systems, and indoor and outdoor lighting. The proposed project would be required to comply with applicable State energy standards and with energy conservation policies contained in the Tracy Sustainability Action Plan. As such, the proposed project would not conflict with or obstruct the applicable State plans and policies for renewable energy and energy efficiency (Draft EIR, Page 3.6-24–25). The proposed project's impacts would be less than significant. No mitigation is necessary.

#### **Cumulative Impact**

The proposed project's cumulative impacts related to energy would be less than significant. (Draft EIR, Page 3.6-26).

**Findings:** Less than significant impact.

#### **Facts in Support of Findings**

#### Electricity and Natural Gas

The geographic scope of the cumulative energy analysis is the portion of PG&E's service area that covers incorporated and unincorporated San Joaquin County. During operation, the buildings and other improvements that would be constructed as part of the various cumulative projects would be required to be designed in accordance with Title 24, California's Energy Efficiency Standards for Residential and Nonresidential Buildings as applicable. Future cumulative development would also be required to meet even more stringent energy efficiency requirements through local and Statewide policy. Furthermore, PG&E, which supplies electricity to the project site and vicinity, would be required by Senate Bill (SB) 100 to incrementally increase the proportion of renewable electricity generation supplying its in-state retail sales until it reaches 100 percent carbon-free electricity generation by 2045. Electricity consumed during construction of the cumulative projects would also be subject to the renewable electricity generation requirements established by SB 100, as PG&E would be the anticipated electricity supplier for the cumulative project areas. Similarly, the proposed project's energy use would be limited to that which is necessary for the construction and operation of the proposed project. As discussed above, the proposed project would be required to comply with applicable Statewide and local policies and standards pertaining to energy efficiency and can reasonably be assumed to pursue greater energy efficiencies to the extent commercially practicable in its operation, in the interest of reducing operating costs.

#### Fuel

Cumulative projects would be required to comply with California Code of Regulations Title 13, Sections 2449(d)(3) and 2485, which limit idling from both on-road and off-road diesel-powered equipment and are enforced by the ARB. Additionally, various federal and State regulations, including the Low Carbon Fuel Standard (LCFS), Pavley Clean Car Standards, and Low Emission Vehicle (LEV) Program, would serve to reduce the transportation fuel demand of cumulative projects. The proposed project would consume vehicle fuel during both construction and operation. The proposed project would also be required to use fuels which conform to various federal and State regulations, such as the LCFS, Pavley Clean Car Standards, and LEV Program. In addition, the proposed project would consume fuels in an amount necessary to construct and operate the proposed project and it is reasonable to assume that it would not consume excessive amounts of fuel beyond what is necessary in the interest of avoiding unnecessary construction or operation costs. Therefore, the proposed project's incremental contribution to the less than significant cumulative impact would not be cumulatively considerable (Draft EIR, Page 3.6-25–26). The proposed project's impacts would be less than significant. No mitigation is necessary.

#### 1.6.6 - Geology and Soils

#### **Potential Effect**

**Impact GEO-2:** The proposed project would not result in substantial soil erosion or the loss of topsoil. (Draft EIR, Page 3.7-13).

**Findings:** Less than significant impact.

Facts in Support of Findings: During construction, the proposed project would include grading and excavation that would expose approximately 500,000 cubic yards of soils. The proposed project would disturb at least 1 acre of land and therefore would be required to obtain a Construction General Permit from the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board), consistent with the City's General Permit (No. CAS000004) and to comply with its conditions and requirements, which are designed to minimize potential erosion issues. Consistent with Chapter 11.34 of the Municipal Code, compliance with the City's National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit would ensure the applicant(s) for individual development proposals within the project site would each obtain and implement a Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) in connection with the individual development proposal at issue where BMPs are implemented that would prevent sediments and other pollutants from entering the stormwater system. Additionally, compliance with Municipal Code Chapter 11.28 would ensure that each relevant development proposal would obtain and implement a grading plan during construction, which would prevent significant erosion of soils. Impacts related to soil erosion or loss of topsoil are limited to construction impacts. No respective operational impacts would occur. (Draft EIR, Page 3.7-13-14). The proposed project's impacts would be less than significant. No mitigation is necessary.

#### **Potential Effect**

**Impact GEO-5:** The proposed project would not have soils incapable of adequately supporting the use of septic tanks or alternative wastewater disposal systems where sewers are not available for the disposal of wastewater. (Draft EIR, Page 3.7-16).

**Findings:** Less than significant impact.

Facts in Support of Findings: Impacts related to soil capability of supporting the use of alternative wastewater disposal systems are limited to operational impacts. No respective construction impacts would occur. All development on the project site would connect to the City's wastewater collection system and no alternative wastewater disposal system would be operated. Furthermore, General Plan Objective 7.3 requires that new development within the City demonstrate adequate wastewater treatment for the proposed project. Wastewater treatment capacity impacts are discussed further under Section 3.16, Utilities and Service Systems (Draft EIR, Page 3.7-16). The proposed project's impacts would be less than significant. No mitigation is necessary.

#### 1.6.7 - Greenhouse Gas Emissions

#### **Potential Effect**

**Impact GHG-1:** The proposed project would not generate greenhouse gas emissions, either directly or indirectly, that may have a significant impact on the environment. (Draft EIR, Page 3.8-35).

**Findings:** Less than significant impact.

**Facts in Support of Findings:** Total GHG emissions generated during the three construction phases were estimated using California Emissions Estimator Model (CalEEMod) Version 2016.3.2. To provide a robust and conservative analysis, the City, in its discretion, has determined to include construction emissions, which were quantified for all phases of the development and then amortized over a 30-

year period. Project operation is assumed to begin in 2023 for Phase 1, 2024 for Phase 2 and 2025 for Phase 3. In addition to being required to comply with applicable rules and regulations, the proposed project would provide benefits in terms of its appropriate location and infrastructure that would reduce project VMT compared with default values. The proposed project would locate industrial uses close to major transportation corridors, for example. Results of this analysis for the three phases are presented in the Draft EIR, Table 3.8-6, Table 3.8-7 and Table 3.8-8. A second set of analyses for 2030 is presented in the Draft EIR, Table 3.8-9 through Table 3.8-11.

The City of Tracy has not adopted its own GHG thresholds or prepared a Climate Action Plan that can be used as a basis for determining project significance, although it has adopted a Sustainability Action Plan, which is a non-qualifying GHG Reduction Plan. The San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District (Valley Air District) Guidance for Valley Land-use Agencies in Addressing GHG Emission Impacts for New Projects under CEQA includes thresholds based on whether the project will reduce or mitigate GHG levels by 29 percent from Business as Usual (BAU) levels compared with 2005 levels. This level of GHG reduction is based on the target established by ARB's AB 32 Scoping Plan, approved in 2008.

As shown in the Draft EIR, with applicable regulations and design features incorporated: Phase 1 would achieve a reduction in GHG emissions of 49.7 percent from the BAU scenario (compared to the threshold of 21.7 percent reduction BAU) by the year 2023, Phase 2 would achieve a 48.7 percent reduction by 2024, and Phase 3 would achieve a 31.6 percent reduction by 2025. Each phase would achieve well above the 21.7 percent average reduction from all sources of GHG emissions now required to achieve Assembly Bill (AB) 32 targets. The ARB originally identified a reduction of 29 percent from BAU as needed to achieve AB 32 targets. The 2008 recession and slower growth in the years since 2008 resulted in a reduction of the growth forecasted for 2020, and the concomitant amount needed to be reduced to achieve 1990 levels as required by AB 32. The California Department of Finance population forecast for 2020 to 2030 predicts growth in the State of 8.1 percent by the 2030 target year or 0.8 percent per year.

The percent reductions from BAU for the three phases are all well in exceedance of the average 21.7 percent reduction required by the State from all sources to achieve the AB 32 2020 target and therefore addresses the concern expressed in the *Newhall Ranch* decision that projects should likely do more than the average to ensure they are providing a fair share of emission reductions. In addition, the percent reductions from BAU for the three phases are all well in exceedance of the average 29 percent reduction recommended by the SJVAPCD. The emission reductions achieved by the proposed project would primarily come from improved building energy efficiency, increasing transportation fuel content standards, and increasing vehicle fuel efficiency standards when compared with a 2005 BAU scenario.

For purposes of a conservative evaluation, the analysis also addresses consistency with the SB 32 targets and the 2017 Scoping Plan Update with an assessment of the proposed project's reduction from BAU levels based on emissions in 2030 compared with the Valley Air District's Guidance for Valley Land Use Agencies in Addressing GHG Emission Impacts for New Projects under CEQA includes thresholds based on whether the project will reduce or mitigate GHG levels by 29 percent from BAU levels compared with 2005 levels. Therefore, because the proposed project's buildout would occur

after 2020, operational emissions from the proposed project beginning in 2030 are summarized in the Draft EIR, Table 3.8-9 through Table 3.8-11 and compared with the applicable Valley Air District's threshold of a 29 percent reduction from BAU emission levels.

As shown in the Draft EIR, with applicable regulations and design features incorporated: Phase 1 would achieve a reduction of 43.9 percent as compared to the Valley Air District-established target of 29 percent reduction from BAU by the year 2030, Phase 2 would achieve a 43.3 percent reduction by 2030, and Phase 3 would achieve a 44 percent reduction by 2030. No new threshold has been adopted by the City of Tracy for the 2030 target, so in the interim the proposed project must make continued progress toward the 2030 goal.

In conclusion, each of the project phases would achieve reductions well in exceedance of both targets: (1) the ARB 2020 21.7 percent target and (2) the Valley Air District 29 percent reduction from BAU requirements from adopted regulations in their respective operational years. No new threshold has been adopted by the City for the SB 32 2030 target; however, the emission estimates presented in the Draft EIR demonstrate that the proposed project would achieve greater reductions than the Valley Air District-established threshold of 29 percent, resulting in annual reductions ranging from 43.3 to 44 percent. Based on this progress and the 2017 Scoping Plan Update, it is reasonable to conclude that the proposed project is consistent with the 2017 Scoping Plan and would make a reasonable fair share contribution to achieving the 2030 target.

In addition, compliance with the VMT targets, to the extent feasible, adopted to comply with SB 375 and implemented through the Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy (RTP/SCS) and updated VMT guidelines adopted by the Governor's Office of Planning and Research (OPR) and implemented by the City may be considered to appropriately address GHG emissions from passenger cars and light-duty trucks. (See Section 14, Transportation, for additional details of the VMT analysis as well as proposed mitigation measures to reduce impacts to the extent feasible, which would also reduce GHG emissions.) Additionally, the State strategy relies on the Cap-and-Trade Program to make up any shortfalls that may occur from the other regulatory strategies. The costs of Cap-and-Trade emission reductions will ultimately be passed on to the consumers of fuels, electricity and products produced by regulated industries which include future residents of development projects and other purchasers of products and services. Given the above information and that the proposed project would not exceed Valley Air District-established GHG significance thresholds, this impact would be less than significant (Draft EIR, Page 3.8-35–45). The proposed project's impacts would be less than significant. No mitigation is necessary.

#### **Potential Effect**

**Impact GHG-2:** The proposed project would not conflict with any applicable plan, policy or regulation of an agency adopted for the purpose of reducing the emissions of greenhouse gases. (Draft EIR, Page 3.8-46).

**Findings:** Less than significant impact.

**Facts in Support of Findings:** While the City of Tracy has adopted a Citywide Sustainability Action Plan, it has not adopted a GHG Reduction Plan. In addition, the City has not completed the GHG

inventory, benchmarking, or goalsetting process required to identify a reduction target and take advantage of the streamlining provisions contained in the CEQA Guidelines amendments adopted for SB 97 and clarifications provided in the CEQA Guidelines amendments adopted on December 28, 2018. The Valley Air District has adopted a Climate Action Plan, but it does not contain measures that are applicable to individual development projects such as the proposed project. Therefore, the Valley Air District Climate Change Action Plan (CCAP) cannot be applied to the proposed project for purposes of streamlining under CEQA. Since no other local or regional Climate Action Plan is in place, the proposed project was assessed for its consistency with ARB's adopted Scoping Plans.

#### Consistency with California's Post-2020 Targets

Executive Order S-3-05 sets goals to reduce emissions to 1990 levels by 2020 and 80 percent below 1990 levels by 2050. The goal of Executive Order S-3-05 to reduce GHG emissions to 1990 levels by 2020 was codified by AB 32. The proposed project, for the reasons summarized above and analyzed in detail in the EIR, is consistent with AB 32. Therefore, the proposed project does not conflict with this component of Executive Order S-3-05. Executive Order B-30-15 establishes an interim goal to reduce GHG emissions to 40 percent below 1990 levels by 2030.

The 2030 goal was codified under SB 32 and is now addressed by the 2017 Scoping Plan Update. The Scoping Plan Update provides a strategy that is capable of reaching the SB 32 target if the measures included in this plan are implemented and achieve reductions within the ranges expected. Under the Scoping Plan Update, each local government plays a supporting role through its land use authority and control over local transportation infrastructure. The 2017 Scoping Plan Update includes reductions from implementation of SB 375 that applies to VMT from passenger vehicles. San Joaquin County targets for SB 375 are a 12 percent per capita reduction by 2020 and a 16 percent per capita reduction by 2035 relative to 2005 levels. SB 375 is implemented with the San Joaquin Council of Governments (San Joaquin COG) RTP/SCS. The RTP/SCS envisions an increase in development density and intensity that would encourage fewer and shorter trips and more trips by transit, walking, and bicycling in amounts sufficient to achieve the SB 375 targets.

The Executive Order S-3-05 2050 target has not been codified by legislation. However, studies have shown that, in order to meet the 2050 target, aggressive pursuit of technologies in the transportation and energy sectors, including electrification and the decarbonization of fuel, will be required. Quantitatively analyzing the proposed project's impacts further relative to the 2050 goal is speculative for purposes of CEQA.

The proposed project's post-2020 emissions trajectory is expected to follow a declining trend, consistent with the 2030 and 2050 targets. Recent studies show that the State's existing and proposed regulatory framework will allow the State to reduce its GHG emissions level to 40 percent below 1990 levels by 2030, and to 80 percent below 1990 levels by 2050. Even though these studies did not provide an exact regulatory and technological roadmap to achieve the 2030 and 2050 goals, they demonstrated that various combinations of policies could allow the Statewide emissions level to remain very low through 2050, suggesting that the combination of new technologies and other regulations not analyzed in the studies could allow the State to meet the 2050 target.

Given the proportional contribution of mobile source-related GHG emissions to the State's inventory, recent studies also show that relatively new trends—such as the increasing importance of webbased shopping, the emergence of different driving patterns, and the increasing effect of web-based applications on transportation choices—are beginning to substantially influence transportation choices and the energy used by transportation modes. These factors have changed the direction of transportation trends in recent years and will require the creation of new models to effectively analyze future transportation patterns and the corresponding effect on GHG emissions. For the reasons summarized above and described more fully in the EIR, the proposed project's post-2020 emissions trajectory is expected to follow a declining trend, consistent with the 2030 and 2050 targets.

# Consistency with SB 32

As explained above, the 2017 Scoping Plan Update includes the strategy that the State intends to pursue to achieve the 2030 targets of Executive Order S-3-05 and SB 32. The Draft EIR, Table 3.8-12, provides an analysis of the proposed project's consistency with the 2017 Scoping Plan Update measures. Regarding goals for 2050 under Executive Order S-3-05, at this time it is not possible to quantify the emissions savings from future regulatory measures, as they have not yet been developed; nevertheless, it can be anticipated that operation of the proposed project would be required to comply with whatever measures are enacted that State lawmakers decide would lead to an 80 percent reduction below 1990 levels by 2050. In its 2008 Scoping Plan, the ARB acknowledged that the "measures needed to meet the 2050 are too far in the future to define in detail." In the First Scoping Plan Update; however, the ARB generally described the type of activities required to achieve the 2050 target: "energy demand reduction through efficiency and activity changes; large scale electrification of on-road vehicles, buildings, and industrial machinery; decarbonizing electricity and fuel supplies; and rapid market penetration of efficiency and clean energy technologies that requires significant efforts to deploy and scale markets for the cleanest technologies immediately." The 2017 Scoping Plan Update provides an intermediate target that is intended to achieve reasonable progress toward the 2050 target.

Accordingly, taking into account the nature of the proposed project's use, location and infrastructure, as well as the proposed project's emissions, and the progress being made by the State toward reducing emissions in key sectors such as transportation, industry, and electricity, the proposed project would be consistent with State GHG Plans and would further the State's goals of reducing GHG emissions 40 percent below 1990 levels by 2030 and 80 percent below 1990 levels by 2050, and would not obstruct their attainment. (Draft EIR, Page 3.8-46–51).

# Consistency with the RTP/SCS

The SJCOG 2018 RTP establishes regional transportation policy for San Joaquin County based on specific regional transportation goals and objectives. The RTP focuses on achieving a coordinated and balanced multimodal transportation system, while maintaining the integrity of the existing system. The RTP includes projects located throughout San Joaquin County for all forms or modes of transportation, including automobiles, transit, nonmotorized (including bicycle), passenger rail, freight, and aviation facilities. The goals and objectives contained in the RTP are focused on

transportation initiatives, infrastructure, planning, and funding on the regional level. The proposed project would support these policies and strategies.

Policy 1 of the RTP/SCS focuses on enhancing the environment for existing and future generations and conserve energy. The EIR evaluates the proposed project's impacts on the environment and provides feasible mitigation to address these potential impacts. As analyzed in Section 3.6, Energy, the proposed project would not result in potentially significant environmental impact due to wasteful, inefficient, or unnecessary consumption of energy resources during project construction or operation (Draft EIR, Page 3.6-22-24) or conflict with or obstruct a State or local plan for renewable energy or energy efficiency (Draft EIR, Page 3.6-24-25). The project site has a land use designation of "Industrial" in the City of Tracy General Plan, and the proposed project, which consists of the buildout of warehousing and industrial space and ancillary office uses and related improvements, is consistent with this land use classification. The RTP/SCS accounts for growth in the project area, including industrial developments such as the proposed project. Strategy 3 is to improve air quality by reducing transportation-related emissions. Though the proposed project would result in significant and unavoidable impacts with respect to air quality and VMT, the proposed project would be required to implement feasible mitigation (Mitigation Measure [MM] AIR-1d, MM AIR-1e, MM AIR-1f, MM AIR-1i, MM TRANS-1(a), and MM TRANS-1(b)), which would reduce transportationrelated emissions to the maximum extent feasible thereby improving air quality, consistent with Strategy 3.

Strategy 4 is to improve the regional transportation system efficiency. As noted above, the proposed project involves industrial uses that would be strategically located near major transportation corridors, and as described in Chapter 2 of the Draft EIR, Project Description, and throughout the EIR, the proposed project would provide for an efficient on-site circulation system and off-site public transit, bicycle and pedestrian facilities as well as set aside approximately 12.51 acres in the northwest corner of the project site, which would be sufficient to accommodate improvements to the City's expressway system, as well as a future I-205/Paradise Road/Chrisman Road interchange as shown in Exhibit 2-7c in Chapter 2, Project Description of the EIR, consistent with the City of Tracy Transportation Master Plan (TMP). The TMP provides a comprehensive review of the City's transportation system and serves as a blueprint that can be utilized to identify and implement required improvements to the existing roadway system as well as expand upon the system to accommodate planned development consistent with the General Plan, such as the proposed project. As an interstate, I-205 serves the region, and, therefore, the future I-205/Paradise Road/Chrisman Road interchange would improve the regional transportation system and support Strategy 4. Similarly, Strategy 8 requires the improvement of major transportation corridors to minimize impacts on rural roads. While not part of the proposed project, the 12.51 acres of land set aside that would facilitate the improvements to the City's expressway system and the future I-205/Paradise Road/Chrisman Road interchange would result in such improvements, once constructed by the relevant public agencies, by providing regional infrastructure for automobiles and trucks entering and exiting the site and beyond. Furthermore, as discussed in Section 14, Transportation, of the EIR, the proposed project would be required to implement the following travel demand measures to reduce project VMT as is required by MM TRANS-1(a).

- 1. Utilize communication and information strategies-4 percent reduction;
- 2. Offer telecommuting for administrative staff (5 percent of staff population)—1 percent reduction;
- 3. Designate parking spaces for carpool vehicles—1 percent reduction;
- 4. Provide a transit stop along the project frontage on Grant Line Road, if agreed to by the City–2 percent reduction;
- 5. Provide bike lanes and sidewalks along the project frontage-1 percent reduction; and
- 6. Provide on-site bike racks and showers—1 percent reduction.

Through the implementation of project design features and required mitigation measures, as discussed above, the proposed project is considered to be consistent with the RTP/SCS.

The proposed project's impacts would be less than significant. No mitigation is necessary.

# **Cumulative Impact**

The proposed project's cumulative impacts related to GHGs would be less than significant. (Draft EIR, Page 3.8-51).

**Findings:** Less than significant impact.

Facts in Support of Findings: GHG emissions and global climate change inherently represent cumulative impacts. GHG emissions cumulatively contribute to the significant adverse environmental impacts of global climate change. No single project could generate enough GHG emissions to noticeably change the global average temperature; instead, the GHG emissions from past, present, and reasonably foreseeable future projects and activities have contributed to and would contribute to global climate change and its associated environmental impacts. According to the Valley Air District, GHG emissions from development projects are inherently cumulative and do not require the estimation of cumulative projects in the region of the project. Thus, the determination of GHG cumulative impacts is based on the State target established by AB 32 to reduce GHG emissions to 1990 levels by 2020 and the project's consistency with the State's post-2020 GHG emission reduction targets. In order to ensure that these goals would be achieved, as discussed above in detail, Air Districts and Lead Agencies developed GHG thresholds to ensure compliance with the State's AB 32 target. Projects with GHG emissions in conformance with these thresholds, therefore, would not be considered significant for purposes of CEQA. In addition, although the emissions from such cumulative projects would add an incremental amount to the overall GHG emissions that cause global climate change impacts, emissions from projects consistent with these thresholds would not be a "cumulatively considerable" contribution under CEQA. Such projects would not be "cumulatively considerable," because they would be helping to solve the cumulative problem as a part of the AB 32 process. Given that it has been determined the proposed project would be consistent with the applicable thresholds as evaluated above in detail, it would result in a less than significant cumulative impact related to generation of GHG emissions (Draft EIR, Page 3.8-51).

#### 1.6.8 - Hazards and Hazardous Materials

#### **Potential Effect**

**Impact HAZ-2:** The proposed project would not create a significant hazard to the public or the environment through reasonably foreseeable upset and accident conditions involving the likely release of hazardous materials into the environment. (Draft EIR, Page 3.9-24).

**Findings:** Less than significant impact.

Facts in Support of Findings: Construction activity would be expected to involve the transport, use, and disposal of hazardous materials, such as diesel fuels, aerosols, and paints, which are typical for this type of light industrial use. Transport, use, and disposal of hazardous materials can increase the risk of upset and accident conditions that could involve the likely release of hazardous materials into the environment. However, the use of these materials would be subject to applicable provisions of the Hazardous Materials Transportation Act, California Public Resources Code, and other State and local laws and regulations that would reduce risks of accident by limiting the use of hazardous materials and thereby reducing the associated risks of exposure. Any handling, transporting, use, or disposal by the proposed project would be required to comply with applicable laws, regulations, policies, and programs set forth by various federal, State, and local agencies, including the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), RCRA, Caltrans, the Hazardous Materials Transportation Act, and the City of Tracy Hazard Mitigation Plan (HMP), which are designed to reduce risk of upset and accident conditions involving the release of hazardous materials into the environment.

During operation, tenants/operators of the proposed project may use potentially hazardous substances that are typical for this type of light industrial use, including lubricants, hydraulic oils, and other substances. Small quantities of hazardous materials would be used on-site during operation of the proposed project, but not in sufficient quantities to create a significant hazard in the unlikely event of upset or accident. These types of materials are common in such light industrial projects and represent a low risk to people and the environment when used and handled as intended and would not be expected to result in the release of hazardous materials into the environment. The handling, transport, and disposal of such substances by the proposed project would be required to comply with all local, State, and federal laws and regulations, which would reduce risks of accident conditions. (Draft EIR, Page 3.9-24–25). The proposed project's impacts would be less than significant. No mitigation is necessary.

#### **Potential Effect**

**Impact HAZ-3:** The proposed project would not emit hazardous emissions or handle hazardous or acutely hazardous materials, substances, or waste within one-quarter mile of an existing or proposed school. (Draft EIR, Page 3.9-25).

**Findings:** Less than significant impact.

**Facts in Support of Findings:** The project site is not located within 0.25 mile of an existing or proposed school. The closest school, Banta Elementary School, is located approximately 0.35 mile to

the east (Draft EIR, Page 3.9-25–26). The proposed project's impacts would be less than significant. No mitigation is necessary.

#### **Potential Effect**

**Impact HAZ-5:** The proposed project would not be located within an airport land use plan or, where such a plan has not been adopted, within two miles of a public airport or public use airport, and result in a safety hazard or excessive noise for people residing or working in the project area. (Draft EIR, Page 3.9-32).

**Findings:** No impact.

Facts in Support of Findings: The proposed project is located greater than 5 miles northeast from the Tracy Municipal Airport. At this distance, the proposed project would not be located within an airport land use plan or within 2 miles of a public airport. Therefore, no impact related to exposure of people to safety hazards or excessive noise in proximity to an airport would occur. (Draft EIR, Page 3.9-32–33). The proposed project would have no impact. No mitigation is necessary.

#### **Potential Effect**

**Impact HAZ-6:** The proposed project would not impair implementation of or physically interfere with an adopted emergency response plan or emergency evacuation plan. (Draft EIR, Page 3.9-33).

**Findings:** Less than significant impact.

Facts in Support of Findings: During construction, it is expected that construction equipment and vehicles would be accessing and leaving the project site, which in turn could potentially impede evacuation or EVA. During operation, employee vehicles would need to access and leave the project site. Neither the San Joaquin County Local HMP nor the City of Tracy Local HMP include specific evacuation routes. However, main arterial roads into and out of the project vicinity that would serve as evacuation routes in case of emergency would be Interstate 205 (I-205) in the east—west direction and I-5 in the north—south direction as well as Paradise Road and Grant Line Road. Given the nature of the proposed project and the fact that there are several alternate routes that provide access to these evacuation routes, the proposed project would not impair implementation of or physically interfere with these evacuation routes. With adherence to the applicable procedures of the San Joaquin County Local HMP and the City of Tracy Local HMP, the proposed project would not conflict with the relevant General Plan safety policies (Draft EIR, Page 3.9-33). The proposed project's impacts would be less than significant. No mitigation is necessary.

# **Potential Effect**

**Impact HAZ-7:** The proposed project would not expose people or structures, either directly or indirectly, to a significant risk of loss, injury, or death involving wildland fires (Draft EIR, Page 3.9-33).

**Findings:** Less than significant impact.

Facts in Support of Findings: The project site is surrounded by urban development and managed land without steep terrain or unmanaged open space areas prone to wildfires. The closest open space area is located approximately 7 miles south of the project site. The project site has not previously experienced wildfire. Given that the project site is not located in or near an area of steep terrain or historical wildfire burn, there is a low likelihood that the project site would be prone to greater wildfire risk as compared to existing conditions. Neither the City nor the project site is in a High or Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zone as designated by California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE). According to the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC), there are no Tier 2-Elevated Zones or Tier 3-Extreme Zones within the City of Tracy. The closest fire prone areas located in a designated fire hazard zone are the southwest areas of the City's SOI, over 7 miles southwest of the project site.

The proposed project would be adequately served by fire protection services from the Tracy Fire Department. Furthermore, project structures would be required to comply with applicable provisions of the California Fire Code with respect to emergency access and use of building materials that would limit the spread of wildfire to the greatest extent feasible. Compliance with applicable State and local plans, laws and regulations would decrease the risk of impacts related to wildland fire hazards. Specifically, the General Plan includes goals (Goal SA-3), objectives (Objective SA-3.1), and policies (PI and P3) that incorporate requirements for fire-safe construction into the land use planning process (Draft EIR, Page 3.9-33–34). The proposed project's impacts would be less than significant. No mitigation is necessary.

#### **Potential Effect**

The proposed project's cumulative impacts related to hazards and hazardous materials would be less than significant. (Draft EIR, Page 3.9-34).

**Findings:** Less than significant impact.

Facts in Support of Findings: The geographic scope of the cumulative hazards and hazardous materials cumulative analysis is the City. The types and sizes of cumulative development anticipated in the project vicinity would not be anticipated to involve large quantities of hazardous materials or activities that transport or handle hazardous materials. Cumulative projects would be subject to the Hazardous Materials Transportation Act, California Public Resources Code, and other State and local laws and regulations that would reduce and limit the associated risks. Any handling, transporting, use, or disposal would be required to comply with applicable laws, regulations, policies, and programs set forth by various federal, State, and local agencies, including the EPA, RCRA, Caltrans, and HMP. However, cumulative projects may include demolition of existing structures that have the potential to contain hazardous building materials. Building materials may contain asbestoscontaining material (ACM) and lead-based paint (LBP). To address potential release of hazardous materials, the City would require the applicants of cumulative developments to assess structures and comply with standard conditions of approval/mitigation measures. Additionally, a comprehensive regulatory framework involving regional, State, and federal laws and regulations would apply to these cumulative projects, which would further ensure a less than significant cumulative impact related to exposure to hazardous materials. With respect to the proposed project,

it would similarly be required to adhere to standard conditions of approval and identified mitigation, and otherwise ensure compliance with all applicable laws, regulations, plans and policies related to transport, use, and disposal of hazardous materials.

Planned uses as proposed by the cumulative projects are contemplated in the General Plan, would result in predominantly infill development, and would not significantly increase the need for emergency services, including those related to wildfires. Furthermore, all construction would be required to adhere to all applicable laws and regulations, including those in the California Fire Code, which are designed to minimize the potential for the release of hazardous materials or uncontrolled fires. Once development is proposed, the City would assess the needs for fire protection services and inform efforts to improve or expand needed facilities. Cumulative development would increase the population, as contemplated in the City's General Plan. All cumulative development would, however, be required to comply with emergency access requirements as standard conditions of approval. Furthermore, the cumulative development in the City would be required to ensure no permanent road closures and would not be permitted to impede established emergency access routes, or interfere with emergency response requirements. With respect to the proposed project, it would similarly be required to adhere to standard conditions of approval and identified mitigation, and otherwise ensure compliance with all applicable laws, regulations, plans and policies related to emergency access routes and emergency response requirements (Draft EIR, Page 3.9-34-35). The proposed project's impacts would be less than significant. No mitigation is necessary.

# 1.6.9 - Hydrology

# **Potential Effect**

**Impact HYD-2:** The proposed project would not substantially decrease groundwater supplies or interfere substantially with groundwater recharge such that the project may impede sustainable groundwater management of the basin. (Draft EIR, Page 3.10-24).

**Findings:** Less than significant impact.

Facts in Support of Findings: Impacts related to depletion of groundwater supplies or interference with groundwater recharge are limited to operational impacts. Implementation of the proposed project would result in a significant amount of new impervious surfaces, which could interfere with groundwater recharge rates. The Geotechnical Engineering Report determined that stormwater would percolate at a rate of 0.36 inch per hour or 167 minutes per inch. Project site soils contain finely layered, fine-grained alluvial soils (silt) that impede vertical percolation of stormwater. As such, groundwater recharge on the project site is currently limited. Percolation rates could be further reduced if stormwater pollutants are present in the runoff, such as sediment, organic materials, and/or oil residue. However, the design of the proposed project's on-site stormwater detention basin includes filters to remove sediments and organic materials that might otherwise reduce groundwater percolation rates and thus would help facilitate groundwater recharge. Therefore, despite the significant increase in impervious surfaces that would occur with the proposed project, implementation of the proposed project would not significantly impact groundwater recharge rates for the foregoing reasons.

Historically, groundwater accounted for up to 50 percent of the City's water supply. Prior to 2001, groundwater extraction in the City totaled less than 6,000 AFY. Between 2001 and 2004, to meet increased demands for water, the City extracted additional groundwater, ranging from 7,321 to 7,176 AFY. In 2005, the rate of groundwater extraction decreased back to the historic 6,000 AFY, reflecting two key factors: (1) the South County Water Supply Project (SCWSP) was completed and the City began receiving Stanislaus River water, and (2) rainfall was above normal, meaning that the City received a higher percentage of its Delta-Mendota Canal/Central Valley Project contractual entitlements. From 2006 to 2010, groundwater extraction ranged from 2,034 AFY to 498 AFY, declining as more water was used from the South San Joaquin Irrigation District. (Draft EIR, Page 3.10-24). The City's estimated groundwater yield is 9,000 AFY. An assessment of the aguifer beneath the City indicates that there is an average annual operational potential yield of 9,000 AFY. Since the City's groundwater is hard and consists of high TDS levels, the City has scaled back its groundwater extraction in most years, but it is anticipated that the City will continue to rely on groundwater for peaking and drought and emergency water supply. As described in more detail in the EIR, the City anticipates that total extraction during a normal year would be 2,500 AFY through the planning horizon. By reducing groundwater extraction on an average annual basis during normal years, the City would: (1) increase the overall quality of its drinking water, thus increasing customer satisfaction and reducing system maintenance and repair caused by the lower-quality groundwater; and (2) recharge the underlying aquifer, effectively increasing the availability of groundwater during a drought or emergency condition (i.e., effectively "banking" groundwater). At the production volumes shown in the EIR, Table 3.10-3, the City's groundwater supplies are considered to be 100 percent reliable. In the event of a severe water supply shortage or emergency, the City could increase production dramatically, up to 22,000 AFY.

The 2020 UWMP addressed the sufficiency of the City's groundwater supplies, in conjunction with the City's other existing and additional water supplies, to meet the City's existing and planned future uses. Based on the information summarized above, described further in the EIR, and included in the 2020 UWMP, the City's groundwater supply, together with the City's other existing and additional planned future water supplies, are sufficient to meet the water demands of the proposed project, in addition to the City's existing and other planned uses. Although the City can sustainably extract up to 9,000 AFY of groundwater on a continuous basis, the City's use of groundwater under normal hydrologic conditions is anticipated to be lower, as available higher-quality surface water supplies would be utilized first. Assuming normal year hydrologic conditions, annual groundwater use is anticipated to be 2,500 AFY. This anticipated future groundwater pumpage is significantly below the City's maximum historical groundwater pumpage and the average annual operational yield of 9,000 AFY. The proposed project would not significantly decrease groundwater supplies because, among other things, the design of the proposed project's on-site stormwater detention basin includes filters to remove sediments and organic materials that might further reduce groundwater percolation rates. Therefore, the proposed project would not substantially decrease groundwater supplies or interfere substantially with groundwater recharge (Draft EIR, Page 3.10-24-30). The proposed project's impacts would be less than significant. No mitigation is necessary.

#### **Cumulative Effect**

The proposed project's cumulative impacts related to hydrology and water quality would be less than significant. (Draft EIR, Page 3.10-39–41).

**Findings:** Less than significant impact.

# **Facts in Support of Findings**

#### Hydrology

All cumulative developments within the San Joaquin River Basin including those cumulative projects listed in the EIR, Table 3-1, have been considered in the EIR's analysis since they are located within the San Joaquin River Basin which eventually drains into the San Joaquin River and ultimately into the Pacific Ocean. All cumulative projects would be required to comply with applicable laws and regulations implemented by the relevant public agencies including the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board (Central Valley RWQCB), as well as relevant policies in the General Plan and other applicable codes, ordinances, and policies, which prevent a project from increasing off-site surface water flow from existing conditions and further ensures that projects adhere to BMPs during construction to prevent pollutants from being carried off-site. Additionally, cumulative development would be required to comply with applicable regional, State and federal laws and regulations regarding flooding to ensure impacts are less than significant in this regard. These laws and regulations, in combination with implementation of applicable provisions in the General Plan (including, but not limited to, Objective PF-7.3: Policies P1, P2, P3, P4, and P5, Objective PF-7.4: Policy P3, and Objective PF-8.2: Policies, P1, P2, P3, P4), would result in a less than significant cumulative impact related to hydrology.

The proposed project would also be required to comply with applicable laws and regulations implemented by the relevant public agencies including the Central Valley RWQCB, as well as relevant policies in the General Plan and other applicable codes, ordinances, and policies related to preventing pollutants from being conveyed off-site.

#### Water Quality

The geographic context for consideration of cumulative impacts related to surface water quality is the San Joaquin River Basin. All cumulative project construction would be required to obtain a Construction General Permit from the State Water Board, which would require preparation of a SWPPP that would control potential discharges of contaminants into the San Joaquin River. These cumulative projects would also be required to prepare a Storm Water Management Plan (SWMP) and comply with the applicable General Plan policies and relevant provisions of the Municipal Code during operation. Similarly, the proposed project would also be required to obtain a Construction General Permit from the State Water Board and prepare a SWPPP as well as a SWMP. In addition, the proposed project would be mandated to comply with applicable General Plan policies (including, but not limited to, Objective PF-7.3: Policies P1, P2, P3, P4, and P5, Objective PF-7.4: Policy P3, and Objective PF-8.2: Policies, P1, P2, P3, P4), and applicable provisions of the Municipal Code during operation.

The geographic context for consideration of cumulative impacts related to groundwater quality and management is the Tracy Groundwater Subbasin. Construction of cumulative projects would be required to obtain a Construction General Permit from the State Water Board, which would require preparation of a SWPPP that would control pollutants that could seep into groundwater. Operations of these cumulative projects would be required to comply with all applicable laws and regulations imposed by the relevant public agencies including the Central Valley RWQCB, thereby ensuring that stormwater is pre-treated via bioretention and is otherwise handled pursuant to all applicable standards and requirements to ensure that percolation to the groundwater table would not result in degradation of groundwater quality. In addition, the cumulative projects would include bioretention areas to remove sediments and organic materials that might reduce groundwater percolation rates and other project features that would help facilitate groundwater recharge. Similarly, the proposed project would include these types of features and would otherwise be mandated to comply with applicable General Plan policies and applicable provisions of the Municipal Code, as well as other governing laws and regulations, during operation.

#### Flooding

The geographic context for consideration of cumulative impacts related to flooding is the NEI Specific Plan area. A small portion of the northern part of the NEI Specific Plan area is within the 100-year flood zone and flooding impacts would affect other parcels in the NEI Specific Plan area. According to the City's General Plan, the City anticipates urban growth in this portion of the City. Flooding occurs mainly near the northern areas of the City closer to I-205. Cumulative development projects in the floodplain would be required to install stormwater facilities pursuant to applicable standards to ensure projects would not be susceptible to flooding. The City would review cumulative development proposals to ensure they are in accordance with applicable guidelines, ordinances, permitting requirements, including, among others, General Plan policies (including, but not limited to, Objective PF-8.1: Policies P1, P2, P3, P4, P5, P6, P7, Objective PF-8.2: Policies P1, P2, P3, and P4, Objective SA-2.1: Policies P1, P2, P3, and P4). Thus, there would be a less than significant cumulative impact related to flooding.

The proposed project would also be required to install stormwater facilities and prepare a Final Drainage Plan in connection with each individual development proposal, which would be required to adhere to the stringent criteria set forth in the City's Design Standards. For example, the proposed project would incorporate an on-site stormwater detention basin into its design that would be required to adhere to all applicable performance standards to ensure no flooding impacts. For these reasons and as further summarized and discussed more fully in the EIR, the proposed project's contribution to the less than significant cumulative impact would not be cumulatively considerable (Draft EIR, Page 3.10-39–41).

# 1.6.10 - Land Use

# **Potential Effect**

**Impact LAND-1:** The proposed project would not physically divide an established community. (Draft EIR, Page 3.11-17). The proposed project's impacts would be less than significant. No mitigation is necessary.

**Findings:** Less than significant impact.

Facts in Support of Findings: Impacts related to physical division of an established community are limited to operational impacts. The development of the proposed project would not involve construction of any type of linear feature that would impair mobility within an existing community, nor would it remove a means of access in a manner that would impede travel or otherwise constitute division of an established community. Rather, the proposed project would be designed in accordance with relevant NEI Specific Plan policies, which would help ensure a cohesive, integrated site and circulation plan, taking into account ready access to nearby transportation corridors (Draft EIR, Page 3.11-17–18).

#### **Potential Effect**

**Impact LAND-2:** The proposed project would not cause a significant environmental impact due to conflict with a land use plan, policy, or regulation adopted for the purpose of avoiding or mitigating an environmental effect. (Draft EIR, Page 3.11-18). The proposed project's impacts would be less than significant. No mitigation is necessary.

**Findings:** Less than significant impact.

**Facts in Support of Findings:** Impacts related to consistency with applicable land use plans and policies are limited to operational impacts.

# Local Agency Formation Commission General Standards for Annexation Consistency

Spheres and Municipal Service Reviews

The project site is within the City's existing SOI (10-year horizon), and therefore has already been contemplated for future inclusion within the City's municipal boundaries. The City's inclusion of the project site via its designation under the City's General Plan as Industrial is consistent with the land use vision for the proposed project and the SOI.

The City's Municipal Services Review (MSR) update determined that the City would have adequate capacity and funds to support expanded services as part of the anticipated development of the SOI (which, as noted above, includes the project site). This included a capital improvement program that identified and planned funds for specific infrastructure improvements and master plans that identified necessary infrastructure upgrades. Accordingly, the proposed project would be consistent with the LAFCo policy requiring a Municipal Service Review and SOI Plan to demonstrate that adequate services can be provided within the timeframe needed by the inhabitants of the annexed area.

#### Contiguity

The project site is contiguous to the existing City of Tracy limits and the existing NEI Specific Plan area. The boundaries of the proposed reorganization, which would involve the annexation of the project site into the City's municipal boundaries (along with the related detachment from the Fire District) would not create or result in areas that are difficult to serve.

# Progressive Urban Pattern

The proposed project would represent a progressive step toward filling in the SOI in this area of the City, consistent with the longtime planning vision of this City for the area as reflected in the City's General Plan. The project site is adjacent to existing City limits and is furthering outward growth that is not isolated and would not constitute "leapfrog" development or otherwise facilitate urban sprawl. Rather, the proposed reorganization would reflect a logical and orderly extension of the City's boundaries.

#### Piecemeal Annexation Prohibited

The proposed project does not reflect a piecemeal annexation approach. The project site has been included within the City's SOI and designated for urban development under the City's General Plan for the last approximately 29 years. The proposed reorganization reflects a logical and orderly extension of urban growth and the City's boundaries, which would ensure the project site is developed in a comprehensive and thoughtful manner consistent with other nearby lands in the NEI Specific Plan area.

#### Definite and Certain Boundaries

It is anticipated that project site boundaries that would be presented in the reorganization application would be definite and conform to Assessor's Parcel Number (APN) lines and/or ownership of legal lots and would not contain any split parcels.

#### Service Requirements

The City has the capacity to adequately serve the areas within its municipal boundaries as well its existing SOI. Moreover, the project site is contiguous to the City's municipal boundaries and other existing urban development, which facilitates the efficient extension of existing utilities. The proposed project would connect to and/or otherwise utilize existing utility lines for service to the proposed project, and would also construct and/or pay applicable development impact fees toward the construction of identified infrastructure and improvements, consistent with the City's Master Plans.

#### Adverse Impact of Annexation on the Other Agencies

The City has the capacity to adequately serve the areas within its municipal boundaries as well its existing SOI without impairing the City's ability to serve existing and other proposed uses, and the proposed reorganization reflects a logical and orderly extension of service boundaries and would result in the efficient delivery of services. All applicable impact fees would be paid by each coapplicant for individual development proposals within the project site, which would further ensure that new development "pays its own way."

# Annexation of Streets

The proposed project would be a logical and orderly extension of the City's boundaries and would include the annexation of territory such that the circulation plan and street network would not fragment governmental responsibility between the City and the County.

#### Prezoning Required

The project site would be pre-zoned NEI Specific Plan and this zoning designation would not be permitted to be changed within 2 years of the completion of the reorganization.

# Airport Land Use Compatibility Plan Consistency

The proposed project is not within the Airport Land Use Compatibility Zone. The proposed project does not reach the standard height and distance from an airport that would require Airport Land Use Commission (ALUC) review and Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) notification.

# General Plan Consistency

The County General Plan land use designation for the project site is A/UR. However, with project approval and completion of the related reorganization proposal, the County General Plan would no longer apply to the proposed project, as the project site would be annexed into the City of Tracy. One of the factors LAFCo must consider when reviewing a proposal for reorganization is the effect of the proposal on maintaining the physical and economic integrity of agricultural lands, as defined by Government Code Section 56016. Similar to the discussion reflected in the EIR, although the proposed project would result in a reduction of agricultural land, the proposed project is consistent with the City of Tracy General Plan land use designation of Industrial for the project site and reflects the planned urban development vision for the project site. The EIR provides a consistency analysis in Table 3.11-3, finding that the project is consistent.

#### Northeast Industrial Specific Plan Consistency

Implementation of the proposed project would require an amendment to the NEI Specific Plan to include the project site within its boundaries (and other conforming amendments to ensure consistency). As such, the proposed Specific Plan Amendment and prezoning, if approved, constitute a self-mitigating aspect of the proposed project that would serve to correct what would otherwise be a conflict. The proposed project would be designed to incorporate applicable development standards and design guidelines that comply with relevant provisions in the NEI Specific Plan. Proposed land uses on the project site are currently permitted in the NEI Specific Plan. Accordingly, the proposed project would be consistent with the urban, industrial character of the surrounding NEI Specific Plan area.

# **Tracy Municipal Code Consistency**

# Planning and Zoning Code

The project site would be pre-zoned "Northeast Industrial Specific Plan." In connection therewith, the proposed project includes an amendment to the NEI Specific Plan boundaries to incorporate the project site (and other conforming amendments to ensure consistency). With these actions, the provisions of the NEI Specific Plan would serve as zoning for the lands within its boundaries, including the project site. The proposed light industrial, warehouse and distribution and ancillary office uses would be consistent with this zoning. Development of the proposed project would be required to adhere to all applicable development standards and design guidelines set forth in the NEI Specific Plan and the Municipal Code.

#### Off-Street Parking Code

The proposed project would be required to provide approximately 1,153 automobile spaces and approximately 59 bicycle stalls. The proposed project proposes to meet or exceed these requirements.

#### Street Tree Ordinance

The applicant of each individual development proposal would be required to submit an application to the Parks and Community Services Department in connection with the proposed removal of any street trees. The Director of Parks and Community Services can authorize or prohibit the tree from being removed and can provide conditions of approval. (Draft EIR, Page 3.11-18–29). The proposed project's impacts would be less than significant. No mitigation is necessary.

# **Cumulative Impact**

The proposed project's cumulative impacts related to land use and planning would be less than significant. (Draft EIR, Page 3.11-30). The proposed project's impacts would be less than significant. No mitigation is necessary.

**Findings:** Less than significant.

Facts in Support of Findings: The cumulative setting includes past, present and reasonably foreseeable probable future developments within the City and its SOI. Development within the City is governed primarily by the City's General Plan and Municipal Code. These guiding laws and regulations and planning documents set forth the land use vision for the community, facilitate logical and orderly development, and ensure consistency with the General Plan as required under State Planning and Zoning laws. All cumulative developments would be required to be consistent with and conform to these planning documents and governing regulations. For cumulative projects, the relevant land use agency is required to issue findings demonstrating consistency with applicable General Plan and Municipal Code requirements to be approved. Projects listed in Table 3-1 that are within the boundaries of the Tracy Municipal Airport Land Use Compatibility Zone would be required to demonstrate consistency with the applicable airport land use compatibility criteria. For cumulative projects that are within the City's SOI and would be annexed into the City, these would be required to demonstrate consistency with applicable provisions of LAFCo regulations and local LAFCo policies. For the foregoing reasons, there would not be a significant cumulative impact related to division of an established community to a level of less than significant or conflict with a land use plan, policy, or regulation adopted for the purpose of avoiding or mitigating an environmental effect. The project would not make a cumulatively considerable contribution to cumulative impacts and no mitigation is required (Draft EIR, Page 3.11-29-30).

# 1.6.11 - Noise

# **Potential Effect**

**Impact NOI-1:** The proposed project would not cause a significant environmental impact due to a conflict with any land use plan, policy, or regulation adopted for the purpose of avoiding or mitigating an environmental effect. (Draft EIR, Page 3.12-17).

**Findings:** Less than significant impact.

Facts in Support of Findings: For purposes of determining the existing ambient noise levels, traffic noise is the primary noise source affecting the project site. Background traffic noise levels in the project vicinity range from approximately 63 A-weighted decibel (dBA) to 75 dBA day/night average sound level (Ldn) along modeled roadway segments adjacent to the project site as measured at 50 feet from the centerline of the outermost lane. The nearest proposed façade to Grant Line Road would be set back a minimum of 150 feet from the centerline of the outermost travel lane. At this distance, traffic noise levels would attenuate to below 69 dBA Ldn. These noise levels are within the City's "normally acceptable" noise land use compatibility range for the relevant type of new industrial land use development (Draft EIR, Page 3.12-18). The proposed project's impacts would be less than significant. No mitigation is necessary.

#### **Potential Effect**

**Impact NOI-3:** The proposed project would not result in generation of excessive groundborne vibration or groundborne noise levels. (Draft EIR, Page 3.12-26).

**Findings:** Less than significant impact.

**Facts in Support of Findings:** The City of Tracy has not adopted criteria for construction groundborne vibration impacts or for operational groundborne vibration impacts that would be applicable to the proposed project. Therefore, for purposes of this analysis, as noted above, the City, in its discretion, elects to utilize the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) construction vibration impact criteria. For operational impacts, a significant impact would occur if ongoing project activities would produce groundborne vibrations that are perceptible without instruments by a reasonable person at the property lines of the site.

#### Construction

The FTA impact assessment criteria for construction is 0.2 in/sec PPV for nonengineered timber and masonry buildings. Table 3.12-3 of the EIR provides approximate vibration levels for various construction activities. Of the variety of equipment used during the construction component of the proposed project, the small vibratory rollers that would be used in the site preparation phase of construction would produce the greatest groundborne vibration levels. Small vibratory rollers produce groundborne vibration levels ranging up to 0.101 in/sec PPV at 25 feet from the operating equipment.

The nearest off-site structure to where the heaviest construction equipment would operate during construction of the proposed structures on the western parcels is the barn structure located west of the project site near the intersection of Grant Line Road and Paradise Avenue. This structure would be located approximately 150 feet from the nearest construction footprint where a small vibratory roller would operate. At this distance, operation of a small vibratory roller could result in groundborne vibration levels up to 0.007 in/sec PPV. This is well below the FTA's damage threshold criteria of 0.2 PPV for nonengineered timber and masonry buildings.

The nearest off-site structure is located over 45 feet from the project site boundary. Therefore, operation of a small vibratory roller at the nearest project boundary could result in groundborne vibration levels up to 0.04 in/sec PPV. This also is well below the FTA's damage threshold criteria of 0.2 PPV for nonengineered timber and masonry buildings. Therefore, construction activities would not result in generation of excessive groundborne vibration levels.

#### Operation

Implementation of the proposed project would not include any permanent sources of vibration that would expose persons in the project vicinity to groundborne vibration levels that could be perceptible without instruments at any existing sensitive land use in the vicinity of the project site; this is given the nature of the project and the type of proposed on-site operations (parking lot and truck loading/unloading activity) which, due to distance to off-site receptors, would be less than perceptible without instruments as measured at sensitive receptors in the project vicinity (Draft EIR, Page 3.12-26–28). The proposed project's impacts would be less than significant. No mitigation is necessary.

#### **Potential Effect**

**Impact NOI-4:** The proposed project would not expose people residing or working in the project area to excessive noise levels for a project located within the vicinity of a private airstrip or an airport land use plan or, where such a plan has not been adopted, within two miles of a public airport or public use airport. (Draft EIR, Page 3.12-28). The proposed project's impacts would be less than significant. No mitigation is necessary.

**Findings:** Less than significant impact.

Facts in Support of Findings: The project site is not located within the vicinity of a private airstrip. Additionally, there is not a private airstrip located within a 5 mile radius of the project. The closest public airport is the Tracy Municipal Airport located 5.3 miles southwest of the project site. The project site is also not located within the 55 dBA CNEL airport noise contours of any public or public use airport. As such, operation of the proposed project would not expose people working at the project site to excessive noise levels associated with public airport or public use airport noise (Draft EIR, Page 3.12-28). The proposed project's impacts would be less than significant. No mitigation is necessary.

# **Cumulative Impact**

The proposed project's cumulative noise impacts would be less than significant. (Draft EIR, Page 3.12-28).

**Findings:** Less than significant impact.

#### **Facts in Support of Findings**

Noise Land Use Compatibility Consistency

Cumulative development would be required to comply with all applicable design review and development standards and regulations directing the siting, design, and insulation of new

development and redevelopment and all applicable noise policies, standards and requirements in the General Plan and Municipal Code, which would ensure that noise impacts are less than significant. Combined cumulative year traffic noise levels along modeled roadway segments in the project vicinity would result in noise levels that the City of Tracy considers to be "normally acceptable" for the relevant land use category (with projected traffic noise levels attenuating due to distance to below 70 dBA L<sub>dn</sub> at the nearest existing or proposed façades). This is the only noise land use compatibility category that would apply to existing and planned development for parcels adjacent to the modeled roadway segments. Cumulative traffic noise impacts would be less than significant. The incremental contribution of project traffic would also not be cumulatively considerable.

#### **Construction Noise**

Noise impacts tend to be localized; therefore, the area surrounding the project site (approximately 1,000 feet) would be the area most affected by proposed project activities. Cumulative development would be required to comply with all applicable construction hour requirements and would also be anticipated to incorporate appropriate Best Management Practices (BMPs) to help reduce construction noise. The proposed project would comply with design review and development standards and regulations directing the siting, design, and insulation of new development and redevelopment and all applicable noise policies, standards and requirements in the General Plan and Municipal Code. The incremental contribution of project construction noise would not be cumulatively considerable.

# Operational Traffic Noise

Combined cumulative year traffic noise levels along modeled roadway segments in the project vicinity would result in noise levels that the City of Tracy considers to be "normally acceptable" for existing and planned land use development along modeled roadway segments in the project vicinity. Therefore, cumulative traffic noise levels would be a less than significant impact for existing and planned development along modeled roadway segments in the project vicinity. Because there is not a cumulative significant traffic noise impact to existing or planned land uses in the project vicinity, even under Cumulative Plus Project traffic conditions, the incremental contribution of project traffic would also not be cumulatively considerable.

# **Operational Stationary Noise**

The source of operational stationary noise within 1,000 feet of the project site that would produce the highest noise levels would be truck loading activities. Existing truck loading facilities in the project vicinity are set back more than 100 feet from receptors on adjoining properties. Assuming compliance with applicable minimum setback requirements for all parcels within the project site, proposed truck loading areas would also be set back more than 100 feet from receptors on adjoining properties. Assuming a reasonable worst-case scenario of a truck loading event for every proposed truck loading dock within a single hour would result in an hourly average noise level of 67 dBA equivalent sound level ( $L_{eq}$ ) as measured at a cumulative project's boundary adjoining other properties. These noise levels are well below the City's hourly average noise performance threshold of 75 dBA  $L_{eq}$ (h). In addition, these noise levels would not exceed existing background ambient noise levels. Therefore, there is a less than significant cumulative impact related to operational stationary

noise sources in the project vicinity, and the incremental contribution of project operational stationary source noise would not be cumulatively considerable.

#### **Construction Vibration**

Construction vibration impacts are very localized; therefore, the area surrounding the project site (approximately 100 feet) would be the area most affected by proposed project construction activities. While there would be cumulative projects undergoing construction in the general vicinity, none of these are within 100 feet of the site and therefore, do not have to potential to create significant cumulative construction vibration impacts that would exceed potential impact criteria as measured at any sensitive receptor in the project vicinity. Thus, there would be a less than significant cumulative impact related to construction vibration, and the incremental contribution of project construction noise would not be cumulatively considerable.

#### **Operational Vibration**

The only major source of groundborne vibration in the project vicinity is railroad activity along the rail line located approximately 3,670 feet southeast of the project site. Groundborne vibration levels from these cumulative sources would not be perceptible without instruments at any sensitive receptor in the project vicinity, therefore there is no significant cumulative impact. The proposed project's incremental contribution to these less than significant cumulative operational vibration levels would not be cumulatively considerable. Implementation of the proposed project would not introduce any new permanent sources of vibration to the project vicinity that would result in groundborne vibration levels that would be perceptible without instruments as measured at sensitive receptors in the project vicinity, and would also not increase railroad activity (Draft EIR, Page 3.12-28–31). The proposed project's impacts would be less than significant. No mitigation is necessary.

# 1.6.12 - Public Services

#### **Potential Effect**

**Impact PUB-1:** The proposed project would not result in substantial adverse physical impacts associated with the provision of new or physically altered governmental facilities, need for new or physically altered governmental facilities, the construction of which could cause significant environmental impacts, in order to maintain acceptable service ratios, response times, or other performance objectives for fire protection. (Draft EIR, Page 3.13-8). The proposed project's impacts would be less than significant. No mitigation is necessary.

**Findings:** Less than significant impact.

Facts in Support of Findings: South San Joaquin County Fire Authority (South County Fire) would provide fire protection for the proposed project. The proposed project would require a detachment from Tracy Rural as part of project approval from the San Joaquin LAFCo of the proposed reorganization. Fire Station 92 is the nearest station approximately 1.4 miles west of the project site. Fire Station 92 is a City-owned fire station; however, South County Fire responds the closest resources to all emergency and non-emergency calls for service. The next closest station is Fire Station 96, approximately 3.6 miles west of the project site. The proposed project would be required

to comply with applicable provisions of the CBC, which is adopted by the Tracy Municipal Code (Chapter 9.04 Building Code), and the California Fire Code, which is adopted by the Tracy Municipal Code (Chapter 9.06 Fire Protection and Prevention). In compliance with the California Fire Code, Part 9 of the CBC, during construction the proposed project would be required to follow fire safety standards related to provision of fire apparatus access and acquisition of building permits.

Specifically, CBC Section 105.7.17 requires plans be submitted and a permit to install, improve, modify, or remove public or private roadways, driveways, and bridges for which Fire Department access is required by the Fire Code; this would ensure adequate driveway/entry turning radius, height clearance, and fire hydrant access for fire trucks and engines at the project site during construction. In addition, CBC Section 105.7.18 requires plans be submitted to the Fire Code official for all land developments or for the construction, alteration, or renovation of a building within the jurisdiction where a building permit is required; this would ensure that construction and alteration would not obstruct Tracy Fire Department from delivering adequate levels of fire protection services and otherwise help to ensure that all applicable standards and requirements are satisfied.

#### Operation

The City has an appropriate process in place to plan and fund fire protection services that would ensure that adequate fire protection staffing, performance levels, and facilities are maintained to serve the City's existing population as well and future growth within the SOI. New industrial uses on the project site would result in new employees, which could result in an increase in calls for fire protection and emergency medical services. However, given the nature of the proposed uses, this increase is not expected to be atypical or substantial. Given that the City has adequate fire protection staffing, performance levels, and facilities, and the proposed use would not require substantial use of hazardous materials, the proposed project would not cause a significant impact to fire protection services. The proposed project would be required to comply with applicable provisions of the Tracy Municipal Code, the CBC, and the California Fire Code. It is not expected that the proposed project would adversely affect response times or increase use of existing fire protection or emergency medical response facilities such that substantial physical deterioration, alteration, or expansion would be required, thereby triggering environmental impacts. Furthermore, the project applicant would be required to pay applicable review and development impact fees toward fire protection facilities and apparatus (Draft EIR, Page 3.13-8-10). The proposed project's impacts would be less than significant. No mitigation is necessary.

#### **Potential Effect**

**Impact PUB-2:** The proposed project would not result in substantial adverse physical impacts associated with the provision of new or physically altered governmental facilities, need for new or physically altered governmental facilities, the construction of which could cause significant environmental impacts, in order to maintain acceptable service ratios, response times, or other performance objectives for police protection. (Draft EIR, Page 3.13-10). The proposed project's impacts would be less than significant. No mitigation is necessary.

**Findings:** Less than significant impact.

# **Facts in Support of Findings**

#### Construction

The City has an appropriate process in place to plan and fund police protection services to ensure that adequate police staffing, performance levels, and facilities are maintained to serve the City's existing population as well as future growth within the SOI. After annexation, the Tracy Police Department would provide law enforcement services to the project site. Tracy Police Department headquarters is approximately 2.3 miles southwest of the project site; however, response is not likely to originate officers who are consistently patrolling the area. During construction, the proposed project would also implement appropriate security measures such as provision of adequate lighting and a project boundary fence around the subject construction area to prohibit access to unauthorized persons other than construction personnel. With adequate police capacity as noted above and provision of security measures, project construction would not create the need for new or altered police protection facilities, and impacts would be less than significant.

#### Operation

New industrial uses on the project site would result in new employees, which would result in an increase in calls for police protection services. However, given the nature of the proposed uses, this increase is not expected to be atypical or substantial. Primary access to the project site during operation would be from Grant Line Road and Paradise Road. Responses to calls for service would likely be from patrolling officers. As the Police Department's area of responsibility is increased through the annexation and development, the need may arise to add sectors or beats, which are assigned to officers to patrol. The increase in this responsibility may trigger the need for additional staffing (sworn and professional staff) in order to maintain the response standards and quality of services currently provided by the Tracy Police Department.

A significant increase in vehicle traffic, both personal vehicles and delivery trucks, is expected, consistent with Police Department's experience and observations at other similar sites in its jurisdiction. This would likely trigger another need for increase of personnel involved in traffic enforcement, particularly commercial vehicle regulations. However, this proposed project is part of the anticipated growth contemplated by the City in its General Plan. As new specific plans and development projects within the SOI are considered, the City will review the specific details of each proposal. Prior to approving any new development project (including individual development proposals for the project site), the City will have the opportunity to ensure that any Community Facilities District associated with the subject proposal, any relevant development agreement provisions for funding police services, and the development impact fee schedule are appropriately adjusted, in accordance with applicable laws, to reflect anticipated funding gaps. Each project applicant would be required to pay applicable review and development impact fees to help provide for the costs associated with a police facilities building, equipment, and staffing to serve additional demands for police services (Draft EIR, Page 3.13-10–11). The proposed project's impacts would be less than significant. No mitigation is necessary.

# **Potential Effect**

**Impact PUB-3:** The proposed project would not result in substantial adverse physical impacts associated with the provision of new or physically altered governmental facilities, need for new or

physically altered governmental facilities, the construction of which could cause significant environmental impacts, in order to maintain acceptable service ratios or other performance objectives for schools. (Draft EIR, Page 3.13-12). The proposed project's impacts would be less than significant. No mitigation is necessary.

**Findings:** Less than significant impact.

Facts in Support of Findings: Impacts related to provision of or need for construction of new or expanded school facilities are limited to operational impacts. The proposed project could result in indirect population growth due to the creation of employment opportunities. Based on the light industrial nature of the proposed project, it is expected that approximately 1,871 employees would work on-site at full buildout. Because the population of the City is currently estimated at 95,931, the total number of employees that may work at the proposed project represents a relatively nominal increase of approximately 2 percent of the current population of the City. Moreover, the proposed project would not include residential units that would directly result in new school-aged children or a substantial unplanned increase in population growth (Draft EIR, Page 3.13-12). In addition, the proposed project would be required to pay any applicable school impact fees pursuant to State law. The proposed project's impacts would be less than significant. No mitigation is necessary.

#### **Potential Effect**

**Impact PUB-4:** The proposed project would not result in substantial adverse physical impacts associated with the provision of new or physically altered governmental facilities, need for new or physically altered governmental facilities, the construction of which could cause significant environmental impacts, in order to maintain acceptable service ratios or other performance objectives for parks. (Draft EIR, Page 3.13-12). The proposed project's impacts would be less than significant. No mitigation is necessary.

**Findings:** Less than significant impact.

Facts in Support of Findings: Impacts related to provision of and need for construction of new or expanded park facilities are limited to operational impacts. It is expected that approximately 1,871 employees would work on-site at full buildout. Because the population of the City is currently estimated at 95,931, the total number of employees that may work at the proposed project represents a relatively nominal increase of approximately 2 percent of the current population of the City. While it is reasonable to assume that some employees would utilize park facilities during their workday to a certain degree, this use would be limited given the nature of the industrial use and the location of the project site. The proposed project would not include residential units that would directly result in the creation of additional park demand that would result in a significant increase in population or existing park use. Therefore, the proposed project would not require new or altered park facilities and would not result in significant environmental impacts to existing park facilities. (Draft EIR, Page 3.13-12–13). No mitigation is necessary.

# **Potential Effect**

**Impact PUB-5:** The proposed project would not result in substantial adverse physical impacts associated with the provision of new or physically altered governmental facilities, need for new or physically altered governmental facilities, the construction of which could cause significant environmental impacts, in order to maintain acceptable service ratios or other performance objectives for libraries or other public facilities. (Draft EIR, Page 3.13-13). The proposed project's impacts would be less than significant. No mitigation is necessary.

**Findings:** Less than significant impact.

**Facts in Support of Findings:** Impacts related to provision of and need for construction of new or expanded library facilities are limited to operational impacts. Because of the nature of the proposed industrial use and the location of the project site, the proposed project is not expected to result in an increase in use of the Tracy Branch Library. The proposed project would not create a need to construct new or expand existing library facilities and impacts would be less than significant. (Draft EIR, Page 3.13-14). No mitigation is necessary.

# **Cumulative Impact**

The proposed project would not result in cumulative impacts associated with the provision of new or physically altered governmental facilities, or the need for new or physically altered governmental facilities, the construction of which could cause significant environmental impacts, in order to maintain acceptable service ratios or other performance objectives for public facilities. (Draft EIR, Page 3.13-14). The proposed project's impacts would be less than significant. No mitigation is necessary.

**Findings:** Less than significant impact.

Facts in Support of Findings: Cumulative development would result in an increased demand for fire protection facilities. To help offset increased demand, similar to the proposed project, other past, present and reasonably foreseeable future cumulative projects would be required to pay all applicable fees to the Tracy Fire Department and Tracy Rural. All cumulative developments would also be required to adhere to applicable provisions of the California Fire Code, Part 9 of the CBC, in terms of meeting standards for fire safety such as fire flow requirements for buildings, fire hydrant location and distribution criteria, automated sprinkler systems, and fire-resistant building materials. With adherence to the CBC and payment of applicable fees, cumulative projects would not result in additional needs for new or altered fire protection or emergency medical facilities not already analyzed within the City and County General Plans, and cumulative impacts would be less than significant. As summarized above and discussed further in the EIR, the proposed project would have a less than significant impact related to fire protection services, and would not have a cumulatively considerable contribution to the already less than significant cumulative impact.

In addition, to help offset increased demand for police protection, the proposed project and other cumulative projects would be required to pay applicable fees to the Tracy Police Department. Similar to the proposed project, all cumulative developments would also be reviewed for impacts on law

enforcement services and required to address any potentially significant impacts with mitigation. Because demand for law enforcement services varies substantially by project (clientele, hours of operation, crime prevention measures, etc.), it is unlikely that there would be substantial overlap in demand that would result in a cumulatively significant impact such that new or expanded police protection facilities are necessary beyond the City's existing capacity and regular review of service levels for future developments. With payment of applicable fees, cumulative projects would not result in additional need for new or altered police protection facilities not already analyzed within the City General Plan, and impacts would be less than significant. Since the proposed project would have a less than significant impact related to fire protection services, the proposed project would not have a cumulatively considerable contribution to the already less than significant cumulative impact.

Planned projects including cumulative projects would result in residential development, though none include any educational facilities. All approved developments would be required to pay applicable development impact fees toward school district facilities. Pursuant to Government Code Section 65995, payment of adopted development fees is considered "full and complete mitigation" for impacts to school facilities, and local governments are prohibited from assessing additional fees or exactions for school impacts. As part of project entitlement processes, cumulative project applicants would be responsible for paying their fair share of school facility fees. With payment of impact development fees, cumulative projects would not result in additional need for new or altered school facilities not already analyzed within the City General Plan, and impacts would be less than significant. As summarized above and discussed further in the EIR, the proposed project would not include the development of any residences, and therefore, would not increase the population in the area, the proposed project would not contribute to any cumulative impacts associated with schools.

Residential cumulative projects would be required to provide parkland or pay applicable development fees. With payment of applicable park impact fees and/or otherwise satisfying park dedication obligations by cumulative projects, there would be a less than significant cumulative impact related to additional increased use and physical deterioration of existing parks and recreational facilities not already analyzed within the City General Plan. Because the proposed project would not include the development of any residences, and therefore, would not increase the population in the area, the proposed project would not contribute to any cumulative impacts associated with parks.

Cumulative developments would be required to pay applicable development impact fees. With payment of fees by cumulative projects, there would be a less than significant cumulative impact regarding additional need for new or altered library facilities not already analyzed within the City General Plan. As summarized above and discussed further in the EIR, the proposed project would not include the development of any residences, and therefore, would not increase the population in the area, the proposed project would not contribute to any cumulative impacts associated with libraries (Draft EIR, Page 3.13-14–16).

# 1.6.13 - Transportation

#### **Potential Effect**

**Impact TRANS-3:** The proposed project would not result in inadequate emergency access. (Draft EIR, Page 3.14-36). The proposed project's impacts would be less than significant. No mitigation is necessary.

**Findings:** Less than significant impact.

# **Facts in Support of Findings**

#### Construction

During the construction period for each individual development proposal within the project site, it is anticipated that a two-way travel would be maintained on Paradise Road and Grant Line Road. Should Paradise Road or Grant Line Road experience temporary one-way travel restrictions or be closed to travel, there are multiple access routes to I-205 and I-5 which act as the main evacuation routes into and out of the project vicinity. Construction detour signage would be provided.

#### Operation

Fire Station 92 at 1035 East Grant Line Road is the nearest fire station to the project site, approximately 1.4 miles to the west. Fire Station 92 is a City-owned fire station; however, South County Fire responds the closest resources to all emergency and non-emergency calls for service. The nearest Tracy Fire Station is Station 96, located at 1800 West Grant Line Road, approximately 3.6 miles west of the project site. Primary fire protection access to the project site would occur from existing roadways that would not be changed as part of the proposed project.

The proposed project would be served by eight points of vehicular access (the northerly access point along Paradise Road would be for Emergency Vehicle Access [EVA] only):

- Grant Line Road: four access points to the project site.
- Paradise Road: four access points to the project site (the northerly access point along Paradise Road would be for EVA only).

Since no application for individual development proposal(s) for either the Suvik Farms or Zuriakat parcels has been submitted to the City as of this writing, it is too speculative and uncertain to identify the exact location(s) of access points from the New Private Drive to the Suvik and Zuriakat parcels. Therefore, this evaluation reasonably assumes that a driveway would be placed at the Banta Road intersection and opposite other existing driveways to the south. Thus, the proposed project would provide a total of eight vehicular access points to the project site from surrounding roadways. The provision of these access points would satisfy the applicable California Fire Code's emergency access requirements. Moreover, the width of these access points and internal roadways would need to adhere to all other applicable requirements and standards, including the following. All access points and internal roadways for the project site would be required to be compliant with Section 503, Fire Apparatus Access Roads, of the California Fire Code, as well as Chapter 9.06 of the Tracy Municipal Code, which would ensure that access roadways can accommodate fire apparatus vehicles

via a minimum width of 20 feet and an unobstructed vertical clearance of not less than 13 feet 6 inches, along with adequate turning radius as determined by the fire code official (Draft EIR, Page 3.14-36). The proposed project's impacts would be less than significant. No mitigation is necessary.

#### **Potential Effect**

**Impact TRANS-4:** The proposed project would not conflict with policies, plans, or programs regarding public transit, bicycle, or pedestrian facilities, or otherwise decrease the performance or safety of such facilities. (Draft EIR, Page 3.14-37). The proposed project's impacts would be less than significant. No mitigation is necessary.

**Findings:** Less than significant impact.

# **Facts in Support of Findings**

#### Construction

Because there are no sidewalks currently provided along the proposed project frontage or along California Avenue, construction of the proposed project would not adversely affect or otherwise conflict with existing pedestrian access to TRACER Bus Service or Altamont Corridor Express (ACE) or the service for these transit agencies. Should Paradise Road or Grant Line Road be temporarily shut down during construction, there are alternative roadway connections to these transit facilities and access to these facilities would remain available throughout construction.

No Class I facilities currently exist near the project site. Class II facilities currently exist along Grant Line Road in eastbound and westbound directions, west of Paradise Road. No Class III facilities currently exist near the project site. Because there are no existing bicycle facilities along the frontage of Paradise Road or Grant Line or California Avenue, road construction of the proposed project would not result in the temporary closure of bicycle facilities during construction.

There are no sidewalks currently provided along Grant Line Road or Paradise Road along the proposed project frontage or along California Avenue. Because there are no sidewalks along Grant Line Road or Paradise Road along the proposed project frontage or along California Avenue, construction of the proposed project would not result in temporary closures of sidewalk facilities.

#### Operation

As part of the proposed project's frontage improvements, it is anticipated that the proposed project would construct a Class I path (that would accommodate both pedestrians and bicycles) per the TMP for both Grant Line Road and Paradise Road. Therefore, the proposed project would provide a bicycle and pedestrian connection to the Class II bicycle facilities and sidewalks that exist along Grant Line Road in eastbound and westbound directions west of Paradise Road that would ultimately provide access to the nearest transit facility. Additionally, under MM TRANS-1(a), the proposed project would provide a transit stop along project frontage on Grant Line Road, if agreed to by the City. Paradise Road and Grant Line Road would still provide roadway access to these transit facilities. However, given the nature of the proposed project and its location, it is anticipated that many employees would drive to the project site and the proposed project would add a minimal number of additional transit riders and would not exceed existing transit capacity.

As part of the proposed project's frontage improvements, it is anticipated that the proposed project would construct a Class I path per the TMP for both Grant Line Road and Paradise Road. Therefore, the proposed project would provide a bicycle connection to the Class II facilities that exist along Grant Line Road in eastbound and westbound directions west of Paradise Road, which would improve the existing bicycle network. In addition, pursuant to the parking requirements of Tracy Municipal Code Chapter 10.08 Article 26, the proposed project would provide approximately 59 bicycle parking spaces in accordance with applicable City requirements. Bicycle racks (single-sided or double-sided racks or equivalent) would be located near the office entrances of each building to provide for the secured parking of bicycles. The required spaces for bicycle parking would be evenly distributed among the office locations within each building pursuant to applicable standards and requirements. Overall, the proposed project would not conflict with adopted policies, plans, or programs regarding bicycle facilities or otherwise decrease the performance or safety of such facilities.

As part of the proposed project's frontage improvements and as noted above, it is anticipated that the proposed project would construct a Class I path (that would accommodate both pedestrians and bicycles) per the TMP for both Grant Line Road and Paradise Road that would provide access to the existing sidewalk network. Therefore, the proposed project would improve the existing pedestrian network. The proposed project would not impede the use of existing sidewalks, and it is not anticipated that the proposed project would substantially increase pedestrian activity in the project vicinity (Draft EIR, Page 3.14-37–39). The proposed project's impacts would be less than significant. No mitigation is necessary.

# 1.6.14 - Utilities and Service Systems

# **Potential Effect**

**Impact UTIL-4:** The proposed project would not generate solid waste in excess of State or local standards, or in excess of the capacity of local infrastructure, or otherwise impair the attainment of solid waste reduction goals. (Draft EIR, Page 3.16-58). The proposed project's impacts would be less than significant. No mitigation is necessary.

**Findings:** Less than significant impact.

Facts in Support of Findings: During construction, the proposed project would generate solid waste from demolition and removal of existing structures on the project site. The EPA estimates 4.34 pounds per square foot for a nonresidential construction project (defined as lodging, office, commercial, health care, educations, religious, public safety, and manufacturing facilities). The proposed industrial buildings and related improvements would cover approximately 191 acres; therefore, at buildout, the proposed project is expected to generate approximately 36,108,800 pounds or 18,054.4 tons of solid waste during construction, equating to approximately 16.48 tons per day. The Foothill Landfill is permitted to receive 1,500 tons of waste per day. As such, the approximately 16.48 tons per day of construction/demolition debris generated by the proposed project represents a nominal percent (approximately 1 percent) of the quantity of solid waste that the landfill currently accepts on a daily basis. In addition, compliance with applicable local and State

laws and regulations would ensure that all construction waste would be conveyed to the appropriate solid waste facility and would be disposed of properly.

During operation at full buildout, the proposed project's approximately 1,871 employees would generate an estimated 16,708.03 pounds of solid waste per day (8.35 tons), and 6,098,430.95 pounds per year (3,049 tons), assuming operation 365 days per year. The Tracy Material Recovery Facility and Solid Waste Transfer (MRF) has a daily intake capacity of 1,500 tons of solid waste per day, and the permitted capacity of the Foothill Landfill is 138 million cubic yards, of which 125 million cubic yards remains available, with an anticipated closure year of 2082. As a result, the proposed project's estimated 8.35 tons of solid waste per day and 3,049 tons per year represent less than 1 percent of daily permitted capacity and overall landfill capacity. Pursuant to AB 939, cities are required to redirect at least 50 percent of municipal waste; as of 2009, the City of Tracy has exceeded this diversion requirement, in accordance with its goal of reaching 75 percent reduction. The proposed project would be required to adhere to the Tracy Municipal Code Section 5.20.250 "Multi-family, commercial and industrial recycling programs," which requires diversion of waste from landfills through recycling. (Draft EIR, Page 3.16-58–59). The proposed project's impacts would be less than significant. No mitigation is necessary.

#### **Potential Effect**

**Impact UTIL-5:** The proposed project would comply with federal, State, and local management and reduction statutes and regulations related to solid waste. (Draft EIR, Page 3.16-59). The proposed project's impacts would be less than significant. No mitigation is necessary.

**Findings:** Less than significant impact.

**Facts in Support of Findings:** During construction, the proposed project would be required to comply with Chapter 5.20 of the Tracy Municipal Code related to solid waste reduction and recycling measures. Compliance with this regulation would ensure compliance with AB 939 by ensuring construction waste is transferred to facilities that can adequately recycle solid waste. Thus, the proposed project would be required to comply with applicable solid waste regulations and statutes.

During operation, the proposed project would be required to comply with applicable State and local laws and regulations related to solid waste such as AB 939 and Chapter 5.20 of the Tracy Municipal Code. Adherence to AB 939 and the Tracy Municipal Code would ensure sufficient solid waste collection and transportation is available and would ensure that disposal sites contain sufficient capacity through permit review and inspections and recycling programs are implemented to divert waste. As such, operation of the proposed project would not impede the ability of the City to meet waste diversion requirements or cause the City to violate State and local statutes and regulations related to solid waste. (Draft EIR, Page 3.16-60). The proposed project's impacts would be less than significant. No mitigation is necessary.

# **Cumulative Impact**

The proposed project's cumulative impacts related to utilities and service systems would be less than significant. (Draft EIR, Page 3.16-63). The proposed project's impacts would be less than significant. No mitigation is necessary.

**Findings:** Less than significant impact.

# **Facts in Support of Findings**

#### Water

The geographic scope of the cumulative potable water analysis is the service area of the City. Cumulative projects are located within the areas of the City of Tracy, San Joaquin County, and on Caltrans-owned land within 10 miles of the project site for which the City provides water treatment service. Water demand within the City's water service area is not expected to exceed the City's supplies at buildout under normal hydrologic conditions based on the City's existing supplies coupled with the implementation of its additional future planned projects, which include Aquifer Storage and Recovery (ASR) Program Expansion, Recycled Water Distribution Network and Exchange Program for additional Central Valley Project (CVP) water supplies, and recycled water distribution for nonpotable use. During a single dry year or a multiple dry year period, the City must depend more heavily on water conservation efforts, groundwater, and the proposed future supply projects to overcome the gap between supply and demand. Investments in wet year water supplies will also be needed to refill storage in Semitropic and expand the City's ASR Program. Developers of the other cumulative projects would be required to pay their proportionate share of required funding to the City for completion of water infrastructure improvements. Cumulative projects would be required to comply with provisions of the applicable laws and regulations in the Municipal Code and CALGreen related to water conservation. The proposed project would also be required to comply with City/County ordinances and General Plan policies, as well as other laws and regulations that address water supply. The proposed project would also be required to pay applicable impact fees.

#### Wastewater

The geographic scope of the cumulative wastewater analysis is the service area of the City. Cumulative projects located in the City are within the service area and would generate volumes of wastewater conveyed to and treated at the Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP). Cumulative projects not located in the City or its service area would convey wastewater to the applicable WWTP and are not included in this cumulative analysis. The City has anticipated planned growth and determined that capacity would exist to service the demand for wastewater treatment facilities given the existing capacity coupled with the upgrades discussed in Impact UTL-3. Projects within the service area would participate in the implementation of the Wastewater Master Plan (WWMP) in effect at the time building permits are applied for through the payment of applicable fees and/or the construction of WWMP facilities with corresponding applicable fee credits/reimbursements, as established by the WWMP in effect at the time building permits are issued. The proposed project's contribution to the less than significant cumulative impact would not be cumulatively considerable. Each applicant for individual development proposals on any of the parcels within the project site would be required to comply with the applicable WWMP requirements and be responsible for the payment of applicable impact fees and/or construction of wastewater facilities.

# Storm Drainage

The geographic scope of the cumulative analysis of storm drainage is projects within the East Side Industrial future service area, consisting of areas that drain to the storm drainage system and to the San Joaquin Delta. Consistent with measures in the Tracy Municipal Code and other applicable standards and requirements, all development in the City would be required to incorporate a stormwater control plan and stormwater collection systems into the development that would in turn reduce the volume and velocity of stormwater runoff that cumulative projects would generate to adhere to applicable performance standards. The proposed project would provide sufficient capacity to accommodate stormwater runoff associated with the project and other cumulative projects; the proposed project's contribution would not be cumulatively considerable.

#### Solid Waste

The geographic scope of the cumulative solid waste analysis is the service area of Tracy Delta Solid Waste Management, Inc. New cumulative development (residential and nonresidential) would increase demand on solid waste facilities to receive, process, and store solid waste. Existing solid waste facilities provide sufficient capacity to serve all development anticipated in the City, as well as existing, planned, and probable future land uses in the City for the foreseeable future. The Foothill Landfill has a permitted capacity of 138 million cubic yards, with 125 million cubic yards of remaining capacity that can meet anticipated demand. Additionally, other cumulative projects within the cumulative geographic context, would be required to comply with applicable federal, State and local laws, regulations and policies to address and mitigate any potentially significant impacts. The proposed project's contribution to this less than significant cumulative impact would not be cumulatively considerable. The anticipated waste volume of development associated with the proposed project represents less than 1 percent of the landfill's permitted daily capacity.

#### **Telecommunications**

Cumulative projects would coordinate with telecommunication providers to provide service and would be required to ensure there is sufficient capacity to serve each project, through analysis and adequate mitigation. The proposed project would also coordinate with telecommunication providers to provide service, which has capacity to serve project operations, and the proposed project's contribution to the less than significant cumulative impact would not be cumulatively considerable. (Draft EIR, Page 3.16-60–63). No mitigation is necessary.

# 1.6.15 - Wildfire

#### **Potential Effect**

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**Impact WILD-1:** The proposed project would not substantially impair an adopted emergency response plan or emergency evacuation plan. (Draft EIR, Page 3.17-8). The proposed project would have no impact. No mitigation is necessary.

**Findings:** No impact.

**Facts in Support of Findings:** Because the project site is not located in a "Fire Hazard Severity Zone," nor is it located in a State Responsibility Area (SRA) or a "Very High Fire Hazard" in a local, State, or federal responsibility area, it does not meet the threshold for a potentially significant impact.

Furthermore, the proposed project would be required to be designed in compliance with applicable provisions of the HMP, ensuring efficient response to emergency incidents associated with emergencies affecting the City. The proposed project would be adequately served by police and fire services and would not create a permanent residential increase in population unaccounted for in the General Plan that could lead to overwhelming calls for emergency services and would not block an emergency evacuation route. The proposed project would be required to be consistent with applicable City standards and would be consistent with all applicable Fire Code requirements and standards. As required by General Plan Policies SA-3-1, Policy 1, and SA-3-1, Policy 2, the proposed project would be required to include the mandated clearance around structures and would be required to incorporate fire-resistant building materials, fire flow and hydrant requirements, and adequate street widths to ensure compliance with applicable General Plan safety goals, and with the applicable requirements of the San Joaquin County Emergency Operations Plan and relevant Fire Code provisions (Draft EIR, Page 3.17-8–9). The proposed project would have no impact. No mitigation is necessary.

# **Potential Effect**

**Impact WILD-2:** Due to slope, prevailing winds, and other factors, the proposed project would not exacerbate wildfire risks and thereby expose project occupants to pollutant concentrations from a wildfire or the uncontrolled spread of a wildfire. (Draft EIR, Page 3.17-9). The proposed project would have no impact. No mitigation is necessary.

**Findings:** No impact.

Facts in Support of Findings: As noted above, the project site is not located in a "Fire Hazard Severity Zone," nor is it located in a SRA or a "Very High Fire Hazard" in a local, State, or federal responsibility area. The project site is relatively flat and surrounded by urban development without steep terrain or unmanaged open space areas that would be prone to wildfires. The closest open space area, the Ohlone Regional Wilderness, is located approximately 7 miles southwest of the project site.

The ARB monitors air quality in the San Joaquin Valley at a number of stations. The closest station to the project site is located at the Tracy Airport, at 5749 South Tracy Boulevard, approximately 5.12 miles southwest of the project site. According to the ARB, the maximum wind speed ranged from approximately 6 to 33 miles per hour (mph) in 2020. In addition, the project site has not previously experienced wildfire. Given that the project site does not experience consistent high winds and it is not located in or near an area of steep terrain or an area experiencing historical wildfire, the project site would not be prone to greater wildfire risk. The proposed project would be adequately served by fire protection and emergency services from the Tracy Fire Department. Furthermore, project structures would be required to comply with applicable provisions of the California Fire Code with regard to emergency access and use of building materials that would limit the spread of wildfire to the greatest extent feasible. (Draft EIR, Page 3.17-9–10). The proposed project would have no impact. No mitigation is necessary.

#### **Potential Effect**

**Impact WILD-3:** The proposed project would not require the installation or maintenance of associated infrastructure (such as roads, fuel breaks, emergency water sources, power lines or other utilities) that may exacerbate fire risk or that may result in temporary or ongoing impacts to the environment. (Draft EIR, Page 3.17-10). The proposed project would have no impact. No mitigation is necessary.

**Findings:** No impact.

Facts in Support of Findings: As noted above, the project site is not located in a "Fire Hazard Severity Zone," nor is it located in an SRA or a "Very High Fire Hazard" in a local, State, or federal responsibility area. Moreover, the proposed project would be served by eight points of vehicular access. The project site is located in a primarily urbanized area surrounded by existing roadways. The proposed project would not require the installation of firebreaks, because it is in a generally urbanized area surrounded by existing development with little natural vegetation. The proposed project would not require emergency water sources, because potable water would be provided by the City of Tracy, which has adequate water supplies available to serve the proposed project and other existing and planned future development during normal, dry, and multiple dry years as described in Section 3.16, Utilities and Service Systems, Impact UTIL-1. Certain existing overhead lines on the project site (as described more fully in application materials) as well as new electrical power and natural gas lines on and connecting to the project site would be installed below ground, minimizing potential ignition and related fire risk above ground, according to applicable provisions of the CBC and Tracy Municipal Code Chapter 11.08. (Draft EIR, Page 3.17-10–11). The proposed project would have no impact. No mitigation is necessary.

# **Potential Effect**

**Impact WILD-4:** The proposed project would not expose people or structures to significant risks, including downslope or downstream flooding or landslides, as a result of runoff, post-fire slope instability, or drainage changes. (Draft EIR, Page 3.17-11). The proposed project would have no impact. No mitigation is necessary.

**Findings:** No impact.

Facts in Support of Findings: As noted above, the project site is not located in a "Fire Hazard Severity Zone," nor is it located in an SRA or a "Very High Fire Hazard" in a local, State, or federal responsibility area. The project site is not located on or near steep slopes susceptible to landslides or downstream flooding. The project site has also not been affected by previous wildfires that could have resulted in drainage changes or loss of vegetation. Additionally, the project site is not located in or near fire prone areas, such as unmanaged open space, or a designated fire hazard zone. As a result, the proposed project would not expose people or structures to significant risks due to post-fire slope instability or drainage changes. (Draft EIR, Page 3.17-11–12). The proposed project would have no impact. No mitigation is necessary.

# **Cumulative Impact**

The proposed project would not have any cumulative impacts related to wildfire. (Draft EIR, Page 3.17-13). The proposed project would have no impact. No mitigation is necessary.

**Findings:** No impact.

Facts in Support of Findings: The geographic scope of the cumulative wildfire analysis is the City of Tracy and southwestern portion of San Joaquin County. Because of the topography and existing urban development (including natural and man-made fire breaks), a fire event beyond this geographic scope is unlikely to affect the proposed project and any fires starting in the project site and vicinity would not likely significantly affect lands beyond this geographic scope. The cumulative setting includes the built development and the wildland areas in the southwestern portion of the County. A combination of federal, State, and local laws and regulations limit or minimize the potential for exposure to wildfires by reducing the amount of development in wildland urban interface (WUI) areas, ensuring new development is developed according to the CBC, and incorporating requirements for fire-safe construction into land use planning. Planned uses proposed by the cumulative projects would not significantly increase the need for emergency services and all development would be required to comply with emergency access requirements, which would be imposed as enforceable, standard conditions of approval. Cumulative development would not result in permanent road closures, nor impede established emergency access routes or interfere with emergency response requirements. Accordingly, cumulative projects would not exacerbate wildfire risk. (Draft EIR, Page 3.17-12-13). The proposed project would have no impact. No mitigation is necessary.

# 1.7 - Potential Environmental Effects Which are Not Significant After Mitigation

The City of Tracy hereby finds that feasible mitigation measures have been identified in the EIR that would avoid or substantially lessen the following potentially significant environmental impacts to a less than significant level. The potentially significant impacts, and the mitigation measures that would reduce them to a less than significant level, are as follows:

# 1.7.1 - Biological Resources

# **Potential Effect**

**Impact BIO-1:** The proposed project could have a substantial adverse effect, either directly or through habitat modifications, on species identified as a candidate, sensitive, or special-status species in local or regional plans, policies, or regulations, or by the California Department of Fish and Wildlife or United States Fish and Wildlife Service (Draft EIR, Page 3.4-17).

**Findings:** Less than significant impact with mitigation incorporated. (Draft EIR, Page 3.4-22).

Changes or alterations have been required in, or incorporated into, the proposed project which avoid or substantially lessen the significant environmental effects as

identified in the EIR. (State CEQA Guidelines § 15091(a)(1)).

# **Mitigation Measures**

# MM BIO-1a Song Sparrow and Tricolored Blackbird Mitigation

Implementation of the following avoidance and minimization measures would avoid or minimize potential effects to song sparrow and tricolored blackbird as a result of project implementation within the Zuriakat parcel in and adjacent to the project site. These measures shall be implemented for construction work that occurs during the nesting season (February 1 through August 31):

- If construction or habitat removal is proposed during the breeding/nesting season (typically February 1 through August 31), a qualified Biologist shall conduct preconstruction surveys for song sparrow and tricolored blackbird within potential nesting habitat of the construction area, (special attention should be paid to the cattail marsh within the Zuriakat parcel) including a 500-foot survey buffer for tricolored blackbird and a 75-foot survey buffer for song sparrow, no more than 7 days prior to the start of ground-disturbing activities in the construction area. If no active nests are detected within the construction area on the project site or within the relevant buffer survey area, then no additional measures are required.
- If an active nest is located during pre-construction surveys, the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) (as appropriate) shall be notified (as appropriate) regarding the status of the nest. A setback of 500 feet (for tricolored blackbird) and 75 feet (for song sparrow) shall be established and maintained during the nesting season for the period encompassing nest building and continuing until fledglings leave nests. This setback applies whenever construction or other ground-disturbing activities must begin during the nesting season in the presence of nests which are known to be occupied. Furthermore, construction activities shall be restricted in the construction area as necessary to avoid disturbance of the nest until it is abandoned, or a qualified Biologist deems disturbance potential to be minimal. Restrictions shall include consultation with a qualified Biologist to determine appropriate buffer zones or alteration relevant area.
  - A qualified Biologist shall delineate the buffer using nest buffer signs, environmentally sensitive area fencing, pin flags, and/or flagging tape. The buffer zone shall be maintained around the active nest site(s) until the young have fledged and are foraging independently.

#### MM BIO-1b Swainson's Hawk

Foraging: Prior to any activities that would result in ground disturbance to the project site, the relevant applicant(s) for the subject development on any portion of the project site shall each ensure coverage of the relevant portion(s) of the project site under the SJMSCP and pay the applicable fee purchase adequate mitigation through the SJMSCP for 140.59 acres of potential foraging habitat (recommended) or alternatively provide applicant-responsible compensatory mitigation at a 1:1 ratio

(such as procurement of credits through a mitigation bank or dedicated of a conservation easement).

Nesting: The following measures shall be implemented for construction work during the nesting season (February 1 through August 31):

- Implementation of the following avoidance and minimization measures would avoid or minimize potential effects to Swainson's hawk as a result of project implementation and adjacent to the project site. These measures shall be implemented for construction work that occurs during the nesting season (February 1 through August 31):
  - If construction or habitat removal is proposed during the breeding/nesting season (typically February 1 through August 31), a qualified Biologist shall conduct pre-construction surveys for Swainson's hawk within the construction area, (special attention should be paid to trees with past recorded occurrences) including a 0.5-mile foot survey buffer, no more than 7 days prior to the start of ground-disturbing activities in the construction area. If no active nests are detected within the construction area site or within the buffer survey area, then no additional measures are required.
  - If active Swainson's hawk nests are found within the construction area or the 0.5-mile survey buffer of the project site, a qualified Biologist shall determine what nest avoidance buffers may be necessary so that construction-related activities do not cause nest abandonment. The avoidance buffer shall be submitted to the San Joaquin County Multi-Species Habitat Conservation and Open Space Plan (SJMSCP) for approval. The qualified Biologist shall monitor construction activities to ensure construction activities do not result in adverse effects to the nest, fledglings, or adults. The Biologist shall submit a memorandum documenting construction compliance to the appropriate agencies.

# MM BIO-1c Burrowing Owl

- A qualified Biologist shall conduct a pre-construction survey no later than 30 days prior to commencement of any ground-disturbing construction activities on the construction area. The survey shall be conducted in accordance with the Staff report on Burrowing Owl Mitigation. All suitable habitats within the construction area site and adjacent buffer (within 500 feet) shall be surveyed. If no burrowing owl are detected during the surveys, then no additional measures are required.
- If pre-construction surveys during the breeding season (February 1- August 31)
  detect active burrows within the construction area or near the adjacent buffer
  survey area site, a qualified Biologist shall establish and delineate an appropriate
  buffer zone around the nest until the breeding season is over as determined by
  the Biologist. Buffer areas shall be established using the guidelines within the Staff
  report on Burrowing Owl Mitigation.

 If pre-construction surveys detect active burrows during the nonbreeding season (September 1- January 31) the San Joaquin County Multi-Species Habitat Conservation and Open Space Plan (SJMSCP) allows for eviction or passive relocation of owls. A passive relocation plan shall be prepared and submitted to SJMSCP for approval.

#### MM BIO-1d San Joaquin Kit Fox

Measures to protect San Joaquin kit fox shall consist of the following:

- A qualified Biologist shall conduct a pre-construction survey of the construction area and a 200-foot buffer, between 14 and 30 days prior to the commencement of ground disturbance. If the surveys do not identify any San Joaquin kit fox activity or locate any potential dens, then no further measures are necessary.
- If the survey identifies potential dens (potential dens are defined as burrows at least 4 inches in diameter that open up within 2 feet), den entrances shall be dusted for 3 calendar days to register track of any San Joaquin kit fox present. If no San Joaquin kit fox activity is identified, potential dens may be destroyed. If San Joaquin kit fox activity is identified, then dens shall be monitored by a qualified Biologist to determine whether occupation is by an adult fox only or is a natal den (natal dens usually have multiple openings).
- If the den is occupied by an adult only, the den may be destroyed when the adult fox has moved or is temporarily absent. If the den is a natal den, a buffer zone of 250 feet shall be maintained around the den until the Biologist determines that the den has been vacated. Where San Joaquin kit fox are identified, the provisions of the United States Fish and Wildlife Service's published Standardized Recommendations for Protection of the San Joaquin Kit Fox Prior to or During Ground Disturbance shall apply (except that pre-construction survey protocols shall remain as established in this paragraph). These standards include provisions for educating construction workers regarding the San Joaquin kit fox and keeping heavy equipment operating at safe speeds.

# MM BIO-1e Migratory Birds

- To prevent significant impacts to Migratory Bird Treaty Act (MBTA)-protected birds, nesting raptors, and their nests, removal of trees shall be limited to only those necessary to feasibly construct the proposed project as shown on the individual development plans approved by the City pursuant to the mapping and/or development review process.
- If any tree removal is necessary, then it should occur outside the nesting season between September 1 through January 31 to the extent feasible. If trees cannot feasibly be removed outside the nesting season, pre-construction surveys shall be conducted no more than 7 days prior to tree removal to verify the absence of active nests.

- If an active nest is located during pre-construction surveys, the United States Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) and/or the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) (as appropriate) shall be notified regarding the status of the nest. Construction activities shall be restricted in the construction area as necessary to avoid disturbance of the nest until it is abandoned, or the agencies deem disturbance potential to be minimal. Restrictions shall consist of the include establishment of exclusion zones (no ingress of personnel or equipment at a minimum radius of 100 feet around an active raptor nest and an appropriate radius around an active migratory bird nest depending on the species) or alteration of the construction schedule.
- A qualified Biologist shall delineate the buffer using nest buffer signs, environmentally sensitive area fencing, pin flags, and/or flagging tape. The buffer zone shall be maintained around the active nest site(s) until the young have fledged and are foraging independently.

## MM BIO-1f Roosting Bats

- A qualified wildlife Biologist shall conduct surveys for special-status bats during
  the appropriate time of day to maximize detectability to determine whether bat
  species are roosting near the construction area no less than 7 days and no more
  than 14 days prior to beginning ground disturbance and/or construction. Survey
  methodology may include visual surveys of bats (e.g., observation of bats during
  foraging period), inspection for suitable habitat, bat sign (e.g., guano), or use of
  ultrasonic detectors (Anabat, etc.).
- Visual surveys shall include trees within 0.25 mile of project construction activities. Not more than two weeks prior to building demolition, the Tracy Alliance parcel applicants for development on any project parcel, shall ensure that a qualified Biologist (i.e., one familiar with the identification of bats and signs of bats) survey buildings proposed for demolition for the presence of roosting bats or evidence of bats. If no roosting bats or evidence of bats are found in the structure, demolition may proceed. If the Biologist determines or presumes bats are present (if there are site access issues or structural safety concerns), the Biologist shall exclude the bats from suitable spaces by installing one-way exclusion devices.
- After the bats vacate the space, the Biologist shall close off the space to prevent recolonization. Building demolition of the subject structure shall only commence after the Biologist verifies seven to 10 days later that the exclusion methods have successfully prevented bats from returning. To avoid significant impacts on nonvolant (i.e., nonflying) bats, the Biologist shall only conduct bat exclusion and eviction from May 1 through October 1. Exclusion efforts shall also be restricted during periods of sensitive activity (e.g., during hibernation or while females in maternity colonies are nursing young).

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Facts in Support of Findings: Special-status plant species or communities are unlikely to occur onsite, based on multiple database searches, literature review, and on-site field survey observations. The project site does not contain suitable habitat components for any special-status plant species, including valley and foothill grasslands, native perennial bunch grass communities, or alkaline soils. None of the six special-status plant species identified in the Special-status Species Table were observed or expected to be present on-site.

Eight special-status wildlife species as well as birds protected under the MBTA have the potential to occur on the project site, including song sparrow, tricolored blackbird, Swainson's hawk, burrowing owl, San Joaquin kit fox, pallid bat, Townsend big-eared bat, and western mastiff bat. Therefore, MM BIO-1a requires a pre-construction survey be conducted to confirm that no song sparrow nest (or nest of other protected bird species) is present, and to implement setbacks if they are present. The presence of a tricolored blackbird nesting colony on the project site before or during construction is highly unlikely, but cannot be ruled out. Therefore, MM BIO-1a requires a pre-construction survey to clear the applicable portion(s) of the project site (and setback area, if applicable) of tricolored blackbird (if any), and minimization measures specific to tricolored blackbird nesting colonies, such as setbacks, would be imposed on applicable areas of project development. Swainson's hawk nests have been observed within the greater project site vicinity; the closest recorded occurrence is across Paradise Street, directly west of the project site and during the field survey. Project construction would result in the loss of foraging habitat, totaling approximately 140.59 acres. Therefore, MM BIO-1b details the requirements to address the loss of foraging habitat and requires a pre-construction survey and further avoidance and minimization measures (if necessary). Multiple recorded occurrences of burrowing owl have been documented in the vicinity of the project site, but habitat has since been developed. The closest record of an active nest that is still suitable habitat is located approximately 1.5 miles to the south. While no suitable burrows or signs of presence of burrowing owls were observed during the field survey, it cannot be ruled out that a burrowing owl may occupy the project site before or during construction. Therefore, MM BIO-1c requires a pre-construction survey and further avoidance and minimization measures (if necessary) to reduce potential impacts to burrowing owl. San Joaquin kit fox has been sporadically reported in the southern areas of Tracy, approximately 4 miles from the project site. While San Joaquin kit fox is unlikely to occur on the project site and no dens or other signs of San Joaquin kit fox were observed during the field survey, it cannot be ruled out that a stray or migrating San Joaquin kit fox may be found on the project site before or during construction. Therefore, MM BIO-1d requires a pre-construction survey and further avoidance and minimization measures (if necessary, based on the survey) to reduce potential impacts to San Joaquin kit fox.

The trees along the southwestern boundary and trees located on-site and within the immediate vicinity may provide suitable nesting habitat for birds protected under the MBTA and other special-status birds. Nesting birds can be impacted by noise, vibrations, and increased activity levels associated with various construction activities. Furthermore, construction activities that occur during the nesting season (generally February 1 to August 31) could disturb nesting sites. Therefore, MM BIO-1e requires the relevant applicant(s) for development on any areas within the project site to each conduct a pre-construction survey and implement further avoidance and minimization measures (if necessary and required by the survey) to reduce potential impacts to nesting birds.

Buildings located within the southwestern portion of the project site may provide suitable nesting habitat for bats. Direct and indirect impacts could occur to roosting bats during project construction due to removal of potential roosting habitat. Therefore, MM BIO-1f requires the relevant applicant(s) for development on any areas within the project site to each conduct a pre-construction survey and further avoidance and minimization measures (if necessary), would reduce potential impacts to roosting bats.

An impact to special-status plant and wildlife species would be considered significant if operation of the proposed project resulted in a substantial, adverse change in ambient noise. As discussed in more detail in Section 12, Noise, the proposed project would increase traffic on local roadways and would introduce stationary noise sources through the operation of new industrial facilities; however, noise emitted from the operation of the proposed project would be required to adhere to applicable established standards and would not result in a significant increase in the ambient noise environment. There is a potential impact related to bird mortality caused from collisions with the glass windows on the buildings. However, the reflective window material used would not pose a greater hazard than any other typical industrial buildings in the project vicinity or in the City. Window elements would not be expansive and would be predominately located at building corners or inset into the buildings. As such, all operational impacts would be considered less than significant (Draft EIR, Page 3.4-17–22).

The City finds that MM BIO-1a through MM BIO-1f are feasible, are adopted, and will further reduce impacts related to biological resources. Accordingly, the City Council finds that, pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21081(a)(1) and State CEQA Guidelines Section 15091(a)(1), changes or alterations have been required in, or incorporated into, the proposed project that mitigate or avoid the potentially significant impacts as identified in the EIR. Therefore, impacts associated with biological resources would be less than significant with mitigation incorporated.

### **Potential Effect**

**Impact BIO-3:** The proposed project could have a substantial adverse effect on State or federally protected wetlands (including, but not limited to, marsh, vernal pool, coastal, etc.) through direct removal, filling, hydrological interruption, or other means. (Draft EIR, Page 3.4-27).

### Findings:

Less than significant impact with mitigation incorporated. (Draft EIR, Page 3.4-27). Changes or alterations have been required in, or incorporated into, the proposed project which avoid or substantially lessen the significant environmental effects as identified in the EIR. (State CEQA Guidelines § 15091(a)(1)).

### **Mitigation Measures**

# MM BIO-3 Conduct Delineation of Potentially Jurisdictional Aquatic Resources (Channels and Wetlands)

The applicant(s) for development on any project parcel shall complete a formal jurisdictional delineation to document and quantify the full extent of potentially jurisdictional waters for the relevant project parcel(s) in coordination with the

applicable regulatory agencies. The applicant(s) for development on any project parcel shall also coordinate, to the extent required under applicable laws and regulations, with the applicable regulatory agencies (United States Army Corps of Engineers [USACE], Regional Water Quality Control Board [RWQCB], and/or California Department of Fish and Wildlife [CDFW]) to determine whether the irrigation/drainage channels and/or cattail marsh on the project site is protected under Section 404 and 401 of the Clean Water Act (CWA) and/or Section 1602 of the California Fish and Game Code.

#### Obtain CWA Sections 401 and 404 Permits Prior to Construction

- Prior to the fill of any potentially jurisdictional waters within the project site, the
  relevant project applicant(s) for the subject project parcel(s) shall consult with the
  USACE and Regional Water Quality Control Board, to the extent required under
  applicable laws and regulations, to determine the extent, if at all, that waters of
  the United States and State may be impacted by the proposed project.
- If required, the relevant applicant(s) for development of the subject project
  parcel(s) shall obtain a Section 404 CWA permit for impacts to waters of the
  United States. That same applicant, for development of the subject project
  parcel(s), will also obtain a Section 401 Water Quality Certification from the
  RWQCB, if required. Any such required permit and certification shall be obtained
  prior to issuance of grading permits for the implementation of the individual
  development proposal on the subject project parcel(s).
- The applicant(s) for development on any project parcel shall design the project to result in no net loss of functions and values of waters of the United States and State by incorporating impact avoidance, impact minimization, and/or compensatory mitigation for the impact, as set forth in the subject Section 404 permit and 401 water quality certification.
- Compensatory mitigation may consist of (1) obtaining credits from a mitigation bank; (2) making a payment to an in lieu fee program that would conduct wetland, stream, or other aquatic resource restoration, creation, enhancement, or reservation activities; and/or (3) providing compensatory mitigation through an aquatic resource restoration, establishment, enhancement, and/or preservation activity. This final type of compensatory mitigation may be provided at or adjacent to the impact site (i.e., on-site mitigation) or at another location, usually within the same watershed as the permitted impact (i.e., off-site mitigation). This project/permit applicant shall retain responsibility for the implementation and success of the mitigation approach.

# Obtain Approval of and File Notification of Streambed Alteration Agreement Prior to Construction

The applicant(s) for development on any project parcel shall ensure that the cattail marsh is not obstructed and human intrusion into the area is minimized. In

compliance with Section 1600 of the California Fish and Game Code, the relevant applicant(s) of an individual development proposal within the project site shall obtain approval and file a notification of a Streambed Alteration Agreement prior to conducting any construction activities within irrigation/drainage channels that qualify as streams under CDFW jurisdiction (i.e., those having bed and bank and at least periodical flow) if and to the extent required under applicable laws and regulations. Those same applicant(s) shall implement all mitigation measures imposed by the CDFW related to the subject Streambed Alteration Agreement, which may include but not be limited to the implementation of erosion and bank stabilization measures, riparian habitat enhancement, and/or restoration and revegetation of the stream corridor habitat at no less than a 1:1 ratio, as determined by the CDFW.

Facts in Support of Findings: There are aquatic resources located within the project site in the form of irrigation/drainage channels (approximately 10,344 linear feet) and a potential ditch wetland/cattail marsh (approximately 0.07 acre) located on the Zuriakat parcel. The ditch wetland/cattail marsh likely formed due to the drainage patterns created as a result of surrounding agricultural production. This potential wetland feature contained standing water during the field visit, contained dense stands of broadleaf cattail (rated an obligate wetland plant by the USACE and a California Natural Community), and supports Northern Pacific tree frogs. This potentially jurisdictional wetland feature is approximately 300 feet long by 8 feet wide.

The irrigation/drainage channels appear to have a potential hydrological connection to the San Joaquin River, a traditional navigable water of the United States. These features are generally not considered jurisdictional; however, California Water Code Section 13050(a) defines "waters of the State" broadly to include "any surface water or groundwater, including saline waters, within the boundaries of the State," and the determination whether impacts to parts of the irrigation/drainage ditches and/or the cattail marsh on-site are regulated as waters of the State is be made by the RWQCB. If the proposed project would result in the placement of fill that would potentially result in impacts to these aquatic resources, then implementation of MM BIO-3 would reduce potential impacts (Draft EIR, Page 3.4-27–28).

The City finds that MM BIO-3 is feasible, is adopted, and will further reduce impacts related to wetlands and related biological resources. Accordingly, the City finds that, pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21081(a)(1) and State CEQA Guidelines Section 15091(a)(1), changes or alterations have been required in, or incorporated into, the proposed project that mitigate or avoid the potentially significant impacts as identified in the EIR. Therefore, impacts associated with biology would be less than significant with mitigation incorporated.

### **Cumulative Impact**

**Define impact:** The proposed project's cumulative impacts related to biological resources would be less than significant with mitigation incorporated. (Draft EIR, Page 3.4-33).

**Findings:** 

Less than significant impact with mitigation incorporated. (Draft EIR, Page 3.4-33). Changes or alterations have been required in, or incorporated into, the proposed project which avoid or substantially lessen the significant environmental effects as identified in the EIR. (State CEQA Guidelines § 15091(a)(1)).

### **Mitigation Measures**

Implement MM BIO-1a through MM BIO-1f and MM BIO-3.

Facts in Support of Findings: Planned developments listed in the EIR are predominantly located in areas that have already been built out or are located within highly fragmented habitats with limited potential to support special-status wildlife and plant species. The cumulative geographic context is partially developed and partially agricultural land, and there is a low likelihood of special-status wildlife and plants occurring within the cumulative project areas due to past urban development.

Numerous laws and regulations are in place to protect biological resources within the cumulative project area, including, but not limited to, CESA, Endangered Species Act, and the CWA. Future projects within the cumulative geographic context, would be required to comply with applicable federal, State, and local laws, regulations, and policies and all applicable permitting requirements of the regulatory and oversight agencies intended to address potential impacts. Cumulative development would be required to comply with the above requirements, as well as General Plan and Municipal Code requirements (standard pre-construction surveys and, if necessary, avoidance procedures would be required for cumulative projects with the potential to impact special-status wildlife species (see, e.g., MM BIO-1a through MM BIO-1f). The proposed project's incremental contribution to these less than significant cumulative impacts would not be significant with adherence to the mitigation measures related to special-status wildlife species identified above and compliance with other applicable standards and requirements under the comprehensive regulatory framework.

Aquatic resources are largely found outside the cumulative project areas, which are concentrated south of I-205 and north of West Linne Road within the City of Tracy's SOI, as project activities would only affect the surrounding project areas. The majority of cumulative developments have been designed to address future growth problems and minimize developmental impacts to sensitive natural communities by designing projects, to the extent feasible, to occur in previously developed or highly disturbed areas that lack significant sensitive natural communities.

Within the cumulative project areas, development would not directly and significantly impact sensitive natural communities and/or the aquatic resources outlined above because they are largely sited in previously developed or highly disturbed areas, and they would be required to consult with the applicable regulatory agencies, quantify their potential impacts in a formal jurisdictional delineation, and mitigate accordingly. Moreover, as explained in Impact BIO-2 and Impact BIO-3, the proposed project would implement mitigation measures to address potential impacts. The proposed project's contribution to the less than significant cumulative impact would not be cumulatively considerable.

The City of Tracy regulates the alteration or removal of street trees. While other cumulative projects may result in the removal of street trees, these projects would be governed by the applicable local protection ordinance including relevant General Plan policies. Therefore, development of the proposed project and any related development of private property would not result in any conflicts with local tree policies or ordinances protecting trees or other biological resources. As such, there is a less than significant cumulative impact.

The cumulative project areas contain a variety of aquatic resources that act as potential movement corridors for fish and wildlife, such as Corral Hollow Creek and Tom Paine Slough. Any future development that occurs within the cumulative project areas would have to take into account the potential impact to these corridors and mitigate as required under applicable laws and regulations. The project site is not part of or within a wildlife movement corridor. Therefore, the proposed project's contribution to the less than significant cumulative impact related to fish and wildlife movement would not be cumulatively considerable.

The proposed project, in addition to other cumulative projects, would be subject to compliance with the SJMSCP, which may include payment of development fees for conversion of lands that may provide habitat for covered special-status species and implementation of other identified mitigation measures under the SJMSCP. Compliance by the proposed project and other cumulative projects located within the cumulative project areas to the SJMSCP would fully mitigate any potentially significant impacts in this regard. The proposed project's contribution to the less than significant cumulative impact would not be cumulatively considerable given that it also would be required to comply with all applicable provisions and mitigation requirements under the SJMSCP (Draft EIR, Page 3.4-31–33).

The City finds that MM BIO-1a through MM BIO-1f, and MM BIO-3 are feasible, are adopted, and will further reduce cumulative impacts related to biological resources. Accordingly, the City finds that, pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21081(a)(1) and State CEQA Guidelines Section 15091(a)(1), changes or alterations have been required in, or incorporated into, the proposed project that mitigate or avoid the potentially significant impacts as identified in the EIR. Therefore, impacts associated with biological resources would be less than significant with mitigation incorporated.

### 1.7.2 - Cultural Resources

### **Potential Effect**

**Impact CUL-1:** The proposed project could cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a historical resource as defined in Section 15064.5. (Draft EIR, Page 3.5-20).

Findings:

Less than significant impact with mitigation incorporated. (Draft EIR, Page 3.5-20). Changes or alterations have been required in, or incorporated into, the proposed project which avoid or substantially lessen the significant environmental effects as identified in the EIR. (State CEQA Guidelines § 15091(a)(1)).

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## **Mitigation Measures**

# MM CUL-1 Archaeological Spot-Monitoring and Halt of Construction Upon Encountering Historical or Archaeological Materials

An Archaeologist who meets the Secretary of the Interior's Professional Qualification Standards for archaeology shall inspect the site once grubbing and clearing are complete for the purpose of determining whether there are any previously undiscovered resources on-site, and prior to any grading or trenching into previously undisturbed soils. This shall be followed by regular periodic or "spotcheck" archaeological monitoring as determined by the Archaeologist. If the Archaeologist believes that a reduction in monitoring activities is prudent, then a letter report detailing the rationale for making such a reduction and summarizing the monitoring results shall be provided to the City of Tracy for concurrence. In the event a potentially significant cultural resource is encountered during subsurface earthwork activities, all construction activities within a 100-foot radius of the find shall cease and workers shall avoid altering the materials until an Archaeologist has evaluated the situation. The applicants for the development of the Tracy Alliance, Suvik Farms, and Zuriakat parcels shall include a standard inadvertent discovery clause in every construction contract to inform contractors of this requirement. Potentially significant cultural resources consist of but are not limited to stone, bone, glass, ceramics, fossils, wood, or shell artifacts, or features including hearths, structural remains, or historic dumpsites. The Archaeologist shall evaluate any finding(s) and determine whether they are significant, and if so, shall make recommendations concerning appropriate measures that will be implemented to protect the significant resource, including but not limited to excavation and evaluation of the finds in accordance with Section 15064.5 of the CEQA Guidelines. Any previously undiscovered significant resources found during construction within the project site shall be recorded on appropriate Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR) 523 forms and shall be submitted to the City of Tracy, the Northwest Information Center (NWIC), and the California Office of Historic Preservation (OHP), as required.

Facts in Support of Findings: The closest known historical resources are located on the southwest corner of the project site and along the southern boundary of the project site. The southwest corner of project site contains buildings and structures over 50 years old associated with the Mattos Dairy Farm complex. The Mattos Dairy Farm complex was evaluated relative to the four California Register of Historical Resources (CRHR) eligibility criteria and found to be ineligible to meet any of the criteria for historic and/or architectural significance required for listing on the NRHP, CRHR, or at the local level.

While unlikely, subsurface construction activities always have the potential to damage or destroy previously undiscovered historic resources such as wood, stone, foundations, and other structural remains; debris-filled wells or privies; and deposits of wood, glass, ceramic, and other refuse, if encountered. Therefore, MM CUL-1 would require an inspection and spot-monitoring by a qualified

Archaeologist after clearing and grubbing but before digging and trenching, when any historic resources would be visible (Draft EIR, Page 3.5-20).

The City finds that MM CUL-1 is feasible, is adopted, and will further reduce impacts related to historical resources. Accordingly, the City finds that, pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21081(a)(1) and State CEQA Guidelines Section 15091(a)(1), changes or alterations have been required in, or incorporated into, the proposed project that mitigate or avoid the potentially significant impacts as identified in the EIR. Therefore, impacts associated with historical resources would be less than significant with mitigation incorporated.

### **Potential Effect**

**Impact CUL-2:** The proposed project could cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of an archaeological resource pursuant to Section 15064.5. (Draft EIR, Page 3.5-21).

**Findings:** Less th

Less than significant impact with mitigation incorporated. (Draft EIR, Page 3.5-21). Changes or alterations have been required in, or incorporated into, the proposed project which avoid or substantially lessen the significant environmental effects as identified in the EIR. (State CEQA Guidelines § 15091(a)(1)).

### **Mitigation Measures**

Implement MM CUL-1.

Facts in Support of Findings: Records search from the Central California Information Center (CCIC) indicated that one prehistoric archaeological resource has previously been recorded within the 0.5-mile radius of the project site and is not located within the project site boundary. The presence of a prehistoric archaeological site within the 0.5-mile radius, coupled with poor soil visibility across the Tracy Alliance and Zuriakat project parcels increases the possibility that undiscovered cultural resources may be encountered during project construction. Such resources could consist of, but are not limited to stone, bone, wood, or shell artifacts or features, including hearths and structural elements. Therefore, MM CUL-1 requires inspection and spot-monitoring by a qualified Archaeologist after clearing and grubbing are complete, but before any digging or trenching begin. (Draft EIR, Page 3.5-21–22).

The City finds that MM CUL-1 is feasible, is adopted, and will further reduce impacts related to archaeological resources. Accordingly, the City finds that, pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21081(a)(1) and State CEQA Guidelines Section 15091(a)(1), changes or alterations have been required in, or incorporated into, the proposed project that mitigate or avoid the potentially significant impacts as identified in the EIR. Therefore, impacts associated with archaeological resources would be less than significant with mitigation incorporated.

### **Potential Effect**

**Impact CUL-3:** The proposed project could disturb human remains, including those interred outside of formal cemeteries. (Draft EIR, Page. 3.5-22).

### **Findings:**

Less than significant impact with mitigation incorporated. (Draft EIR, Page. 3.5-22). Changes or alterations have been required in, or incorporated into, the proposed project which avoid or substantially lessen the significant environmental effects as identified in the EIR. (State CEQA Guidelines § 15091(a)(1)).

### **Mitigation Measures:**

### MM CUL-3 Stop Construction Upon Encountering Human Remains

In the event of the accidental discovery or recognition of any human remains, CEQA Guidelines Section 15064.5, Health and Safety Code Section 7050.5, and Public Resources Code Sections 5097.94 and Section 5097.98 shall be followed. If during the course of project construction, there is accidental discovery or recognition of any human remains, the following steps shall be taken:

- 1. There shall be no further excavation or disturbance within 100 feet of the remains until the County Coroner is contacted to determine whether the remains are Native American and if an investigation of the cause of death is required. If the coroner determines the remains to be Native American, the coroner shall contact the Native American Heritage Commission (NAHC) within 24 hours, and the NAHC shall identify the person or persons it believes to be the Most Likely Descendant (MLD) of the deceased Native American. The MLD may make recommendations to the landowner or the person responsible for the excavation work within 48 hours, for means of treating or disposing of, with appropriate dignity, the human remains, and any associated grave goods as provided in Public Resource Code Section 5097.98.
- 2. Where the following conditions occur, the landowner or his or her authorized representative shall rebury the Native American human remains and associated grave goods with appropriate dignity either in accordance with the recommendations of the MLD or on the project site in a location not subject to further subsurface disturbance:
  - The NAHC is unable to identify an MLD or the MLD failed to make a recommendation within 48 hours after being notified by the commission.
  - The descendant identified fails to make a recommendation.
  - The landowner or his authorized representative rejects the recommendation of the descendant, and mediation by the NAHC fails to provide measures acceptable to the landowner.

Additionally, California Public Resources Code Section 15064.5 requires the following relative to Native American Remains:

 When an initial study identifies the existence of, or the probable likelihood of, Native American Remains within a project, a lead agency shall work with the appropriate Native Americans as identified by the NAHC as provided in Public Resources Code Section 5097.98. The applicants for the development of the Tracy Alliance, Suvik Farms, and Zuriakat parcels may each develop a plan with respect to their individual development proposals for treating or disposing of, with appropriate dignity, the human remains, and any items associated with Native American Burials with the appropriate Native Americans as identified by the NAHC.

Facts in Support of Findings: The potential for human remains to be discovered during ground-disturbing activities is considered low because no human remains have previously been discovered on the project site or in its vicinity. While it is unlikely that the presence of human remains exists within or near the project site, there is always the possibility that subsurface construction activities associated with the proposed project, such as grading or trenching, could potentially damage or destroy previously undiscovered human remains. In the event of the accidental discovery or recognition of any human remains, CEQA Guidelines Section 15064.5, Health and Safety Code Section 7050.5, and Public Resources Code Sections 5097.94 and 5097.98 must be followed. MM CUL-3 further specifies the procedures to follow in the event human remains are uncovered. (Draft EIR, Page. 3.5-22–23).

The City finds that MM CUL-3 is feasible, is adopted, and will further reduce impacts related to accidental discovery of human remains. Accordingly, the City finds that, pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21081(a)(1) and State CEQA Guidelines Section 15091(a)(1), changes or alterations have been required in, or incorporated into, the proposed project that mitigate or avoid the potentially significant impacts as identified in the EIR. Therefore, impacts would be less than significant with mitigation incorporated.

### **Cumulative Impact**

The proposed project's cumulative impacts related to cultural resources would be less than significant with mitigation incorporated. (Draft EIR, Page 3.5-25).

Findings:

Less than significant impact with mitigation incorporated. (Draft EIR, Page 3.5-25). Changes or alterations have been required in, or incorporated into, the proposed project which avoid or substantially lessen the significant environmental effects as identified in the EIR. (State CEQA Guidelines § 15091(a)(1)).

## **Mitigation Measures**

Implement MM CUL-1 and MM CUL-3.

Facts in Support of Findings: The Mattos Dairy Farm complex located on-site, while of historic age, is ineligible for local listing under City of Tracy Resolution 3232 and was found to be ineligible for listing on the CRHR. The dairy complex therefore does not qualify as a historic resource under CEQA, and its demolition will not contribute to a cumulative impact to cultural resources. Potential cumulative impacts would be mitigated at an individual project level by adherence to applicable current State and federal laws and regulations, as well as other City and County laws, regulations and mitigation, such as adherence to standard conditions of approval that require monitoring of construction sites in proximity to known resources (by implementing similar measures as the proposed project's MM

CUL-1). The combination of these efforts would reduce potential cumulative impacts related to historical resources.

Given that the proposed project would not have a known, direct impact on any known archaeological resources, project impacts are less than significant in this regard. Construction activities associated with the proposed project have the potential to encounter undiscovered cultural resources. The proposed project would be required to mitigate for impacts through compliance with applicable federal and State laws and regulations governing cultural resources. Additionally, the implementation of standard construction mitigation measures (MM CUL-1 and MM CUL-3) would ensure that undiscovered cultural resources are not adversely affected by project-related construction activities, which would prevent the destruction or degradation of potentially significant cultural resources in the project vicinity.

Cumulative projects within an 0.5-mile radius would be subject to applicable current State and federal laws and regulations, as well as other local and City and County laws, regulations, and mitigation, such as adherence to standard conditions of approval that require monitoring of construction sites in proximity to known resources, immediate cessation of construction activity upon discovery of unidentified human remains, and the protection of cultural resources that are discovered. The combination of the above-mentioned efforts and other standard construction conditions and mitigation measures (similar to the proposed project's MM CUL-1 and MM CUL-3) would reduce potential cumulative impacts (Draft EIR, Page 3.5-24–25).

The City finds that MM CUL-1 and MM CUL-3 are feasible, are adopted, and will further reduce cumulative impacts related to cultural resources. Accordingly, the City finds that, pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21081(a)(1) and State CEQA Guidelines Section 15091(a)(1), changes or alterations have been required in, or incorporated into, the proposed project that mitigate or avoid the potentially significant impacts as identified in the EIR. Therefore, impacts associated with cultural resources would be less than significant with mitigation incorporated.

## 1.7.3 - Geology and Soils

### **Potential Effect**

**Impact GEO-1:** The proposed project could directly or indirectly cause potential substantial adverse effects, including the risk of loss, injury or death involving:

- i. Rupture of a known earthquake fault, as delineated on the most recent Alquist-Priolo Earthquake Fault Zoning Map issued by the State Geologist for the area or based on other substantial evidence of a known fault? Refer to Division of Mines and Geology Special Publication 42.
- ii. Strong seismic ground shaking.
- iii. Seismic-related ground failure, including liquefaction.
- iv. Landslides.

(Draft EIR, Page 3.7-11).

### **Findings:**

Less than significant impact with mitigation incorporated. (Draft EIR, Page 3.7-11). Changes or alterations have been required in, or incorporated into, the proposed project which avoid or substantially lessen the significant environmental effects as identified in the EIR. (State CEQA Guidelines § 15091(a)(1)).

### **Mitigation Measures:**

# MM GEO-1 Prepare Grading and Construction Plans that Incorporate Geotechnical Engineering Report Recommendations

Prior to issuance of the grading permits for the proposed project, development of the final grading, foundation, and construction plans shall incorporate the site-specific earthwork, foundation, floor slab, lateral earth pressure, and pavement design recommendations, as detailed in the Geotechnical Engineering Report prepared by Terracon dated January 30, 2019. The applicant(s) for development of individual development proposal(s) within the project site shall each coordinate with a City-approved Geotechnical Engineer and Engineering Geologist to tailor the grading and foundation plans for the relevant development proposal, as needed, to reduce risk related to known soil and geologic hazards. The final grading and construction plans for the relevant development proposal shall be reviewed by the City-approved Geotechnical Engineer to confirm compliance with this MM GEO-1.

Grading operations shall meet the applicable requirements of the recommendations included in the Geotechnical Engineering Report prepared by Terracon on January 30, 2019. During construction, the City-approved Geotechnical Engineer shall monitor construction of the relevant development proposal to ensure the earthwork operations are properly performed in accordance with the foregoing recommendations.

**Facts in Support of Findings:** Impacts related to risks associated with seismic-related hazards are limited to operational impacts. No respective construction impacts would occur.

## **Ground Rupture**

Based on Geotechnical Engineering Report, the potential for ground rupture is low. There are no known active faults directly crossing the project site or the City of Tracy, and neither the project site nor the City is located within a designated Alquist-Priolo Earthquake Fault Zone. The closest fault to the project site is the San Joaquin Fault located in the southeast portion of the City approximately 7 miles away, precluding the potential for ground rupture to occur. There would be no impact.

### Strong Seismic Ground Shaking

The project site is located in a seismically active region that could experience strong ground shaking during a seismic event. It could experience significant ground shaking from maximum credible earthquakes occurring on the Calaveras, Hayward, San Andreas, or Greenville Faults. Therefore, MM GEO-1 requires implementation of the recommendations contained in the Geotechnical Engineering Report prior to the issuance of grading permits. Additionally, the project is required to implement all applicable seismic safety building standards contained in the CBC including seismic design provisions,

which would reduce the risk of loss, injury or death. Furthermore, compliance with General Plan Policy P2 and Chapter 9.02 of the Municipal Code requires all construction to conform to the most recent edition of the CBC. With adherence to the requirements of MM GEO-1 and all applicable building codes and regulations, impacts would be less than significant.

#### Seismic-related Ground Failure

The project site is not listed as a liquefaction hazard zone by the California Geologic Survey (CGS); however, the Geotechnical Engineering Report determined that on-site soils are susceptible to liquefaction because of the shallow groundwater depth and soil conditions. The Geotechnical Engineering Report provided liquefaction modeling and determined that the project site could experience up to 1 inch of soil settlement and included earthwork recommendations that contained criteria for grading, excavation, and fill replacement. The recommendations are incorporated into the proposed project and must be fulfilled prior to issuance of grading permits as detailed in MM GEO-1. Therefore, MM GEO-1 would ensure that the recommendations contained in the Geotechnical Engineering Report are incorporated into the proposed project construction and design plans.

As explained in the EIR, the project site does not contain steep slopes, exposed hillsides, or vertical cuts. Because of the gently sloping nature of the project site, it does not contain a significant potential for landslides (Draft EIR, Page 3.7-11–12). Therefore, there is no impact from potential landslides.

The City finds that MM GEO-1 is feasible, is adopted, and will further reduce impacts related to seismic activity. Accordingly, the City finds that, pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21081(a)(1) and State CEQA Guidelines Section 15091(a)(1), changes or alterations have been required in, or incorporated into, the proposed project that mitigate or avoid the potentially significant impacts as identified in the EIR. Therefore, impacts associated with geology would be less than significant with mitigation incorporated.

### **Potential Effect**

**Impact GEO-3:** The proposed project could be located on a geologic unit or soil that is unstable, or that would become unstable as a result of the project, and potentially result in on- or off-site landslide, lateral spreading, subsidence, liquefaction or collapse (Draft EIR, Page 3.7-14).

**Findings:** 

Less than significant impact with mitigation incorporated. (Draft EIR, Page 3.7-14). Changes or alterations have been required in, or incorporated into, the proposed project which avoid or substantially lessen the significant environmental effects as identified in the EIR. (State CEQA Guidelines § 15091(a)(1)).

### **Mitigation Measures**

Implement MM GEO-1.

**Facts in Support of Findings:** Impacts related to risks associated with location on an unstable geologic unit or soil are limited to operational impacts. No respective construction impacts would occur.

The Geotechnical Engineering Report identified soils that could be expected to experience up to 1 inch of liquefaction-induced settlement. Any such settlement across the project site would represent a significant impact. Additionally, project site soils would be corrosive to concrete used in building foundations and slabs, which could result in unstable building conditions leading to building collapse or damage. Recommendations included criteria for grading, excavation, and fill replacement that would prevent significant settlement of soils. In addition, the recommendations included concrete mix specifications that would prevent significant impacts from corrosive soils. MM GEO-1 requires implementation of all recommendations prior to the issuance of grading permits and would ensure that the recommendations contained in the Geotechnical Engineering Report are incorporated into the project construction and design plans (Draft EIR, Page 3.7-14).

The City finds that MM GEO-1 is feasible, is adopted, and will further reduce impacts related to geologic resources. Accordingly, the City finds that, pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21081(a)(1) and State CEQA Guidelines Section 15091(a)(1), changes or alterations have been required in, or incorporated into, the proposed project that mitigate or avoid the potentially significant impacts as identified in the EIR. Therefore, impacts associated with geology would be less than significant with mitigation incorporated.

### **Potential Effect**

**Impact GEO-4:** The proposed project could be located on expansive soil, as defined in Table 18-1-B of the Uniform Building Code (1994), creating substantial risks to life or property (Draft EIR, Page 3.7-15).

Findings:

Less than significant impact with mitigation incorporated. (Draft EIR, Page 3.7-15). Changes or alterations have been required in, or incorporated into, the proposed project which avoid or substantially lessen the significant environmental effects as identified in the EIR. (State CEQA Guidelines § 15091(a)(1)).

## **Mitigation Measures**

Implement MM GEO-1.

Facts in Support of Findings: The Geotechnical Engineering Report determined that expansive soils exist on-site. Without mitigation, the near-surface stiff to hard medium plasticity lean clay and high plasticity clay could become unstable during construction activity and after precipitation events. The Geotechnical Engineering Report includes recommendations that are incorporated as requirements to be imposed on the proposed project as reflected in MM GEO-1, for site preparation, excavation, and replacement fill that would include ground modifications that would spread out the loads from foundations and reduce the influence of the construction loads on soft soil layers, thus reducing the potential for unacceptable settlements. These requirements must be achieved prior to the issuance of grading permits. In addition, the Geotechnical Engineering Report provides options for providing

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stable foundations by including building floor slabs with foundation systems on a minimum of 18 inches of lime treated subgrade, or excavation and replacement with engineered fill or a sand/slurry mixture. Implementation of MM GEO-1 establishes requirements based on the Geotechnical Engineering Report that must be included in the grading plans and design of the proposed project.

Additionally, during operation, these soils have the potential to swell and shrink as they gain and lose moisture, which could cause building foundations to crack or heave, resulting in substantial risks to life or property, which represents a potentially significant impact. However, the Geotechnical Engineering Report includes recommendations for site preparation, excavation, and foundation design that would address the site-specific conditions. Implementation of MM GEO-1 would ensure recommendations contained in the Geotechnical Engineering Report are included in the design of the proposed project (Draft EIR, Page 3.7-15).

The City finds that MM GEO-1 is feasible, is adopted, and will further reduce impacts related to geologic resources. Accordingly, the City finds that, pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21081(a)(1) and State CEQA Guidelines Section 15091(a)(1), changes or alterations have been required in, or incorporated into, the proposed project that mitigate or avoid the potentially significant impacts as identified in the EIR. Therefore, impacts associated with geology would be less than significant with mitigation incorporated.

### **Potential Effect**

**Impact GEO-6:** The proposed project could directly or indirectly destroy a unique paleontological resource or site or unique geologic feature. (Draft EIR, Page 3.7-16).

### **Findings:**

Less than significant impact with mitigation incorporated. (Draft EIR, Page 3.7-16). Changes or alterations have been required in, or incorporated into, the proposed project which avoid or substantially lessen the significant environmental effects as identified in the EIR. (State CEQA Guidelines § 15091(a)(1)).

#### **Mitigation Measures**

## MM GEO-6 Inadvertent Discovery of Paleontological Resources During Project Construction

In the event a fossil is discovered during construction for the proposed project, excavations within 50 feet of the find shall be temporarily halted or delayed until the discovery is examined by a qualified paleontologist in accordance with Society of Vertebrate Paleontology standards. The applicants for development of individual proposals within the project site shall each include a standard inadvertent discovery clause in every proposed project-related construction contract to inform their respective contractors of this requirement. If the find is determined to be significant and if avoidance is not feasible, the paleontologist shall design and implement a data recovery plan that is consistent with the applicable Society of Vertebrate Paleontology standards. Any recovered fossil should be deposited in an appropriate repository, such as the UCMP, where it will be properly curated and made accessible for future studies.

Facts in Support of Findings: The project site is located on Holocene alluvium, which is too young to be fossiliferous. The valley fill on the project site is at least hundreds of feet thick; thus, subsurface late Pleistocene or older deposits, which have the potential to be fossiliferous, are located at depths well below any excavation required for project construction. Additionally, the Paleontological Report states that the closest paleontological resources to the project site were microfossils uncovered 7 miles to the east. While it is unlikely that paleontological resources exist within or near the project site, there is always the possibility that subsurface construction activities associated with the proposed project, such as grading or trenching, could potentially damage or destroy previously undiscovered paleontological resources. Therefore, MM GEO-6 specifies the procedures to follow in the event a paleontological resource is uncovered. Impacts related to the potential to cause substantial adverse change in the significance of a unique paleontological resource or unique geologic feature are limited to construction. No respective operational impacts would occur (Draft EIR, Page 3.7-16).

The City finds that MM GEO-6 is feasible, is adopted, and will further reduce impacts related to inadvertent discovery of paleontological resources. Accordingly, the City finds that, pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21081(a)(1) and State CEQA Guidelines Section 15091(a)(1), changes or alterations have been required in, or incorporated into, the proposed project that mitigate or avoid the potentially significant impacts as identified in the EIR. Therefore, impacts associated with paleontological resources would be less than significant with mitigation incorporated.

## **Cumulative Impact**

The proposed project's cumulative impacts related to geology and soils would be less than significant with mitigation incorporated (Draft EIR, Page 3.7-18).

Findings:

Less than significant impact with mitigation incorporated. (Draft EIR, Page 3.7-18). Changes or alterations have been required in, or incorporated into, the proposed project which avoid or substantially lessen the significant environmental effects as identified in the EIR. (State CEQA Guidelines § 15091(a)(1)).

### **Mitigation Measures**

Implement MM GEO-1 and MM GEO-6.

Facts in Support of Findings: The cumulative setting includes Cumulative Projects No. 19 and No. 35 (Draft EIR, Table 3-1) along with existing agricultural and industrial uses. Cumulative projects have the potential to experience strong ground shaking from earthquakes. Cumulative projects would be required to adhere to the applicable provisions of the CBC, and policies of the General Plan and Tracy Municipal Code reducing potential hazards associated with seismic ground shaking and ground failure.

Soil conditions associated with the proposed project, such as differential settlement, liquefaction, expansive soils, and soil creep, are specific to the project site and generally do not contribute to a cumulative effect. Some or all other cumulative projects may have similar conditions, but they also would not contribute to a general geologic or soil cumulative effect. Therefore, there is no

potentially significant cumulative impact. Furthermore, the proposed project would be subject to all applicable General Plan policies, Municipal Code provisions, and the CBC, as well as being required to implement the required mitigation, all of which would reduce soil-related hazard impacts to a less than significant level. Other cumulative projects would similarly be required to adhere to standards and practices that include stringent geologic and soil-related hazard mitigation.

Construction activities associated with development of cumulative projects within the vicinity of the project site may have the potential to encounter undiscovered geologic resources and paleontological resources. These cumulative projects would be required to mitigate for impacts through compliance with applicable federal and State laws governing geologic resources and paleontological resources and other applicable mitigation measures. Moreover, the likelihood that geologic resources and paleontological resources are present on the cumulative project areas is relatively low, given that the majority of soil disturbance associated with these cumulative projects would take place within Holocene soils too young to be fossiliferous. Although there is the possibility that previously undiscovered resources could be encountered by subsurface earthwork activities, the implementation of standard construction mitigation measures and General Plan Objective CC-3.1 and Policy 5 would ensure that undiscovered geologic and paleontological resources are not adversely affected by cumulative project-related construction activities, which would prevent the destruction or degradation of potentially significant cultural resources in the vicinity of the project site. Therefore, potential cumulative impacts are less than significant. (Draft EIR, Page 3.7-17–18).

The City finds that MM GEO-1 and MM GEO-6 are feasible, are adopted, and will further reduce cumulative impacts related to geologic and paleontological resources. Accordingly, the City finds that, pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21081(a)(1) and State CEQA Guidelines Section 15091(a)(1), changes or alterations have been required in, or incorporated into, the proposed project that mitigate or avoid the potentially significant impacts as identified in the EIR. Therefore, cumulative impacts would be less than significant with mitigation incorporated.

### 1.7.4 - Hazards and Hazardous Materials

### **Potential Effect**

**Impact HAZ-1:** The proposed project could create a significant hazard to the public or the environment through the routine transport, use, or disposal of hazardous materials (Draft EIR, Page 3.9-20).

Findings:

Less than significant impact with mitigation incorporated. (Draft EIR, Page 3.9-20). Changes or alterations have been required in, or incorporated into, the proposed project which avoid or substantially lessen the significant environmental effects as identified in the EIR. (State CEQA Guidelines § 15091(a)(1)).

### **Mitigation Measures**

### MM HAZ-1a Conduct Soil Sampling (Tracy Alliance, Zuriakat, and Suvik Farms parcels)

Prior to the issuance of grading permits, the relevant applicant for an individual development proposal within the project site shall provide evidence of soil testing

within the project boundary to confirm presence or absence of hazardous compounds such as lead and arsenic. The testing shall be conducted pursuant to a San Joaquin Environmental Health-approved sampling plan. If hazardous levels of hazardous compounds are found, excavated soils shall be sent off-site for disposal and any affected soils encountered should be properly characterized, treated and/or disposed of in accordance with applicable local, State, and federal laws and regulations. The relevant applicant shall complete any residual soil remediation in connection with the relevant individual development proposal to the satisfaction of San Joaquin Environmental Health, as evidenced by the submittal of a no further action letter. In addition, if hazardous contaminants related to the former agricultural use of the site (such as lead or arsenic) are found, a construction worker health and safety plan shall be prepared and shall be implemented during construction of the relevant individual development proposal.

# MM HAZ-1b Proper Disposal and Decommission of Underground Storage Tanks, Aboveground Storage Tanks, and Unlabeled Drums (Tracy Alliance Parcel only)

If any of the reported underground storage tanks (USTs) or aboveground storage tanks (ASTs) are discovered during excavation activities, the applicant for the development of the Tracy Alliance parcels shall dispose of and decommission the USTs and ASTs in accordance with applicable laws and regulations of the Local Oversight Program (LOP) and the American Petroleum Institute Standards, respectively. The unlabeled drums and containers observed during the site reconnaissance for the Phase I Environmental Site Assessment (Phase I ESA) for the Tracy Alliance parcels shall be characterized and disposed of in accordance with applicable local, State, and federal laws and regulations.

# MM HAZ-1c Conduct Asbestos and Lead Surveys Prior to Demolition (Tracy Alliance parcels only)

Prior to the issuance of demolition permits for the existing buildings, the applicant for the development of the Tracy Alliance parcels shall retain a licensed professional to conduct asbestos and lead paint surveys. These surveys shall be conducted prior to the disturbance or removal of any suspect asbestos-containing materials (ACM) and lead-based paint (LBP), and these materials shall be characterized for asbestos and lead by a reliable method. All activities involving ACM and LBP shall be conducted in accordance with applicable laws and regulations, and all removal shall be conducted by properly licensed abatement contractors.

# MM HAZ-1d Dust Mitigation and Soil Evaluation (Tracy Alliance, Zuriakat, and Suvik Farms parcels)

During any grading or excavation activities in connection with an individual development proposal within the project site, relevant development personnel shall be made aware to look for unusual conditions suggesting buried debris or other

potential adverse environmental conditions. If any abnormal soils are discovered during development activities, such as stained soils, hydrocarbon odors, or any other unusual odors, all construction activities near the discovery shall be stopped immediately and the applicant for the relevant individual development proposal shall contact a qualified hazardous material consulting firm for further assessment and implementation of any appropriate actions as may be required under applicable laws and regulations before construction of the relevant individual proposal can begin again.

### MM HAZ-1e Consultation with Chevron and DigAlert (Suvik Farms parcel only)

Prior to any ground disturbance and construction along the northern side of West Grant Line Road, adjacent to the southern boundary of the Tracy Alliance and Suvik Farms parcels, the relevant applicant(s) for the development of the Tracy Alliance and/or Suvik Farms parcels shall consult with Chevron (www.chevronpipeline.com; 800.762.3404) and DigAlert 811 to determine the location of the existing underground petroleum pipeline to facilitate avoidance during ground disturbance and construction activities.

Facts in Support of Findings: During construction, the proposed project would be expected to involve the routine transport, use, and disposal of hazardous materials, such as diesel fuels, aerosols, and paints, which are typical for this type of industrial construction. The proposed project would be subject to the Hazardous Materials Transportation Act, California Public Resources Code, and other applicable State and local laws and regulations that would reduce and limit the associated risks. Any handling, transporting, use, or disposal would be required to comply with applicable laws, policies, and programs set forth by various federal, State, and local agencies and regulations, including the EPA, RCRA, California Department of Transportation (Caltrans), and HMP.

#### Tracy Alliance Parcels

The Phase I ESA for the Tracy Alliance parcels noted several RECs including a wastewater pond (western portion of the site), absence of removal records associated with historic UST(s), historical AST fueling areas, petroleum hydrocarbon staining, unlabeled 55-gallon drum storage area, burn disposal areas, and off-site groundwater impacts from an adjoining western open-inactive Leaking Underground Storage Tank (LUST) facility. A Limited Site Investigation did not find a significant contaminant release from historical or current use of the parcels in the immediate area of the investigation. The Limited Site Investigation concluded that no further investigation or remediation was required.

Arsenic-impacted soils are present in the soil samples collected from the site. The arsenic impacts are within regional background concentrations, except for the ASH-2 sample. Therefore, MM HAZ-1a would be implemented to test soils for arsenic and to require remediation and documentation of no further action by the California Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) if site soils contain hazardous levels of arsenic.

Evidence of reported USTs on-site was identified. However, information pertaining to the location of the reported USTs was not identified in the regulatory databases or local agencies inquiries. In addition, three gasoline and/or diesel fueling ASTs ranging between approximately 200 gallons and 500 gallons in size were observed at the southwestern portion of the site. During the site reconnaissance, the ASTs were observed on soil and not within secondary containment. Therefore, if any of the reported USTs or ASTs are discovered during excavation activities, MM HAZ-1b would be implemented, which would require disposal and decommission of the USTs and ASTs in accordance with applicable regulations of the LOP and the American Petroleum Institute Standards, respectively.

Approximately ten 55-gallon unlabeled drums stored on soil were observed south of the cattle storm shed. Staining was not observed beneath the former drum area after removal; however, based on the unknown nature of materials stored in the drums and poor housekeeping practices, the former drum storage area represents a Recognized Environmental Condition (REC). MM HAZ-1b requires that any remaining unlabeled drums and containers be disposed of in accordance with applicable local, State, and federal laws and regulations.

Three domestic groundwater wells were found on-site. Because the wells are not to be used in the planned redevelopment of the project site, they must be properly abandoned, closed, or destroyed in accordance with local, State, and federal laws, regulations and guidelines.

The proposed project would demolish the existing buildings on-site. Given the age of the existing structures on the project site, it is conceivable that ACM and LBP may exist within these structures. MM HAZ-1c would require the applicant for the development of the Tracy Alliance parcels to conduct asbestos and lead paint surveys prior to demolition activities and safely remove and dispose of any such materials in accordance with applicable State standards and other legal requirements.

Standard dust mitigation measures would be implemented during all development and soil handling activities. During any grading or excavation activities of the Tracy Alliance parcels, development personnel must be made aware to look for unusual conditions suggesting buried debris or other potential adverse environmental conditions. In addition, if any abnormal soils are discovered during redevelopment, such as stained soils, hydrocarbon odors, or any other unusual odors, all construction activities would be stopped immediately and a qualified hazardous material consulting firm would be contacted for further assessment and monitoring, pursuant to MM HAZ-1d.

### Zuriakat and Suvik Farms Parcels

There is a potential for accumulation of elevated levels of lead and arsenic. On-site soils may contain pesticides/herbicides above actionable levels. Therefore, it is recommended that soil sampling and testing be performed on the Zuriakat and Suvik Farms parcels prior to redevelopment; MM HAZ-1a would be implemented to test soils for lead and arsenic and to require remediation and documentation of no further action by the San Joaquin Environmental Health Department if site soils contain hazardous levels of lead or arsenic.

Because of the nature of the agricultural uses on-site, implementation of standard dust mitigation measures during all redevelopment and soil handling activities would be required by MM HAZ-1d. During any grading or excavation activities of the Zuriakat or Suvik Farms parcels, development

personnel must be made aware to look for unusual conditions suggesting buried debris or other potential adverse environmental conditions. In addition, if any abnormal soils are discovered during development, construction activities would be stopped immediately and a qualified hazardous material consulting firm would be contacted for further assessment and monitoring, pursuant to MM HAZ-1d.

Markers indicating the presence of an underground petroleum pipeline owned by Chevron Pipeline Company were observed along the northern side of West Grant Line Road, adjacent to the Suvik Farms parcels. Pursuant to MM HAZ-1e, the applicant for development of the Suvik Farms parcels shall consult with Chevron and contact DigAlert prior to any ground disturbance and construction in that area.

Two on-site irrigation wells were observed within the unpaved access roads along the western property line (the Suvik Farms parcels). Because the wells are not proposed to be used in the planned development of the project site, they would be required to be properly abandoned/closed or destroyed in accordance with local, State, and federal laws and regulations. This would be applied as a standard condition of approval. Routine inspections of facilities that are subject to Hazardous Materials Business Plan (HMBP) requirements would be performed to ensure compliance with existing laws and regulations concerning HMBP requirements. Any routine storage, handling, transport, use, or disposal of hazardous materials during operation of the proposed project would be required to comply with all applicable laws, regulations, policies, and programs set forth by various federal, State, and local agencies, including the EPA, RCRA, Caltrans, the Hazardous Materials Transportation Act, and the City of Tracy HMP. Removal and disposal of hazardous materials would be conducted by a permitted and licensed contractor. Required compliance with applicable hazardous material laws and regulations would ensure that operation-related hazardous material use would not result in a significant hazard to the public or environment (Draft EIR, Page 3.9-20).

The City finds that MM HAZ-1a through MM HAZ-1e are feasible, are adopted, and will further reduce impacts related to hazards. Accordingly, the City finds that, pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21081(a)(1) and State CEQA Guidelines Section 15091(a)(1), changes or alterations have been required in, or incorporated into, the proposed project that mitigate or avoid the potentially significant impacts as identified in the EIR. Therefore, impacts associated with hazards would be less than significant with mitigation incorporated.

### **Potential Effect**

**Impact HAZ-4:** The proposed project is located on a site which is included on a list of hazardous materials sites compiled pursuant to Government Code Section 65962.5 and, as a result, could create a significant hazard to the public or the environment (Draft EIR, Page 3.9-26).

### **Findings:**

Less than significant impact with mitigation incorporated. (Draft EIR, Page 3.9-26). Changes or alterations have been required in, or incorporated into, the proposed project which avoid or substantially lessen the significant environmental effects as identified in the EIR. (State CEQA Guidelines § 15091(a)(1)).

### **Mitigation Measures**

Implement MM HAZ-1a and MM HAZ-1b.

### **Facts in Support of Findings**

### **Tracy Alliance Parcels**

Several facilities are identified on the regulatory databases, and two facilities of interest are discussed below.

Legacy Real Estate (6599 West Grant Line Road) and Mattos Farms (6735 West Grant Line Road) Legacy Real Estate (6599 West Grant Line Road) and Mattos Farms (6735 West Grant Line Road), which are former users of the Tracy Alliance parcels, are identified on the regulatory database Facility and Manifest Data (HAZNET) and two Hazardous Substance Storage Container Database (HIST UST) listings. Approximately 4.8 tons of ACM was removed from the site in the year 2014 and reported to have been disposed at a landfill. The HAZNET listing corresponds to a building removal identified by the City of Tracy in the year 2014. Two 350-gallon gasoline USTs were installed in the year 1973. During the site reconnaissance, Mr. Mattos pointed out an empty rusting AST located west of the cattle barn which was a former UST. During a telephone conversation on November 26, 2018, Mr. Mattos recalled a UST was located approximately 5 feet south of the residence garage and recalled the UST had a crank pump attached to it. Mr. Mattos did not recall when the UST was removed and was not aware of a second UST on the site. Terracon requested UST removal records on file with the City, State and local agencies; however, information associated with the reported USTs was not found. Based on the absence of UST removal records, the historical USTs represent a significant data gap and REC in connection with these lands. Therefore, if any of the reported USTs are discovered during excavation activities, MM HAZ-1b would be implemented, which would require disposal and decommission of the USTs in accordance with applicable laws and regulations of the LOP.

Haley Flying Service (2395 East Pescadero Avenue, formerly 21000 Paradise Road)

Haley Flying Service (2395 East Pescadero Avenue), located to the adjoining west and hydrogeologically and topographically cross-gradient relative to the site, is identified on the Statewide Spills, Leaks, Investigation and Cleanup (SLIC) Cases GeoTracker (CPS-SLIC) and the California Environmental Reporting System (CERS) databases. The facility is an open and active cleanup case with potential pesticide and herbicide contamination. The facility was a former cropdusting operation with concerns regarding stormwater runoff and wastewater discharge.

Wastewater from aircraft washings discharged to a ditch behind the property which runs parallel to a water district irrigation distribution canal. Low levels of pesticides and herbicides including 2,4-D, diuron, linuron, and endosulfan were identified in the samples collected from an irrigation ditch at the facility. The facility's discharge system, including a sump and evaporation system, were not within regulatory compliance.

The facility was additionally identified at 21000 Paradise Road, a former property address, and was identified on the Superfund Enterprise Management System (SEMS-ARCHIVE), RCRA–Small Quantity Generator (RCRA-SQG), DTSC Envirostor website (ENVIROSTOR), LUSTs, Voluntary Cleanup Program (VCP), Waste Management Unit Database/Solid Waste Disposal Sites (WMUDS/SWAT),

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Environmental Liens Listings (LIENS), Facility Index System (FINDS), Enforcement Compliance History Information (ECHO), Hazardous Waste and Substance Site List (HIST CORTESE), SWEEPS UST, HIST UST, CA FID UST, and CERS databases. Based on a review of the listings, the facility was a small quantity hazardous waste generator of industrial waste which treats and/or disposes of liquid or semisolid waste; however, the facility did not have reporting requirements. Based on a review of the LUST listings, in 1988, a gasoline release affecting drinking water was reported and was listed as closed as of 1998. A HIST UST listing indicated two 1,000-gallon gasoline USTs, and two 2,000-gallon waste USTs were reported on the property in the 1970s. The SWEEPS UST listing indicated a 1,000-gallon gasoline UST and 5,000-gallon aviation fuel UST were reported on the property in the 1990s.

Based on a review of the ENVIROSTOR website, the facility was a former agricultural aerial operation which applied herbicides and pesticides to local agricultural fields. Spray tanks and airplanes were rinsed on the property and the tank rinse water was pumped into a concrete lined washout pit. The website noted improper hazardous material handling practices as the probable cause of soil contamination on the property. The website indicated in 1982 an unspecified amount of hazardous material was removed from the property. A site screening was performed in 1987 followed by a preliminary assessment in 1988. The facility entered a Voluntary Cleanup Act (VCP) agreement in 2005 and a Preliminary Endangerment Assessment (PEA) was prepared by Geo-Phase Environmental (Geo-Phase) in 2006. Based on a review of diagrams contained in the Geo-Phase PEA, the facility washdown areas and loading docks were located on the eastern portion of the property approximately 100 feet west of the Tracy Alliance parcels. The PEA indicated elevated levels of pesticides and herbicides were detected in soil and groundwater samples collected from the property. The PEA included a Human Health Hazard Assessment and indicated detected levels of chlordane, DDD, DDE, DDT, dieldrin, endosulfan, endrin, and toxaphene were above California Human Health Screening Levels (CHHSLs). Groundwater was reported at 11 feet below ground surface (bgs). The PEA recommended further site characterization including additional soil and groundwater analysis. A PEA approval letter dated February 9, 2006, from the DTSC to the property owner, indicated the property was "highly contaminated" and concurred with the Geo-Phase PEA recommendations.

Additionally, 1990 soil and groundwater samples identified elevated levels of petroleum hydrocarbons. Soil samples collected from the 5,000-gallon UST tank excavation identified gasoline hydrocarbons (610 mg/kg), benzene (6.5 mg/kg), toluene (62 mg/kg), ethylbenzene (41 mg/kg), and xylene (169 mg/kg) above Tier 1 Environmental Screening Levels (ESLs). Benzene (3.9 ug/L), toluene (19.4 ug/L), ethylbenzene (7.5 ug/L) and xylene (32 ug/L) were identified in a groundwater sample collected from the 5,000-gallon tank excavation of which benzene and xylene were reported above ESLs. The PEA noted mitigation records associated with the petroleum hydrocarbon LUST were misplaced in the County records and presumed the LUST release had been adequately mitigated and closed. There were no additional reports for the property after the year 2006. Based on proximity to the site, open regulatory status, reported impacts to soil and groundwater, and shallow depth to groundwater (11 feet), Haley's Flying Service represents a REC to the site.

A Limited Site Investigation concluded that there does not appear to be a significant contaminant release from historical or current use of the parcels in the immediate area of the investigation. The Limited Site Investigation concluded that no further investigation or remediation was required.

Arsenic-impacted soils are present in the soil samples collected from the site. The arsenic impacts are within regional background concentrations, except for the ASH-2 sample. Therefore, MM HAZ-1a would be implemented to test soils for arsenic and to require remediation and documentation of no further action by the San Joaquin Environmental Health Department if site soils contain hazardous levels of arsenic.

### **Zuriakat and Suvik Farms Parcels**

Based on the findings of this assessment, including a regulatory records review of the following federal, State, and local regulatory agencies, the Zuriakat and Suvik Farms parcels were not included on any institution/engineering control databases that track activity and use limitation on properties. Therefore, impacts related to potential location on a hazardous materials site and, thus, creating a hazard to the public or environment would be less than significant. (Draft EIR, Page 3.9-26–32).

The City finds that MM HAZ-1a and MM HAZ-1b are feasible, are adopted, and will further reduce impacts related to hazards. Accordingly, the City finds that, pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21081(a)(1) and State CEQA Guidelines Section 15091(a)(1), changes or alterations have been required in, or incorporated into, the proposed project that mitigate or avoid the potentially significant impacts as identified in the EIR. Therefore, impacts associated with hazards would be less than significant with mitigation incorporated.

### 1.7.5 - Hydrology and Water Quality

## **Potential Effect**

**Impact HYD-1:** The proposed project could violate any water quality standards or waste discharge requirements or otherwise substantially degrade surface or ground water quality (Draft EIR, Page 3.10-21).

Findings:

Less than significant impact with mitigation incorporated. (Draft EIR, Page 3.10-21). Changes or alterations have been required in, or incorporated into, the proposed project which avoid or substantially lessen the significant environmental effects as identified in the EIR. (State CEQA Guidelines § 15091(a)(1)).

### **Mitigation Measures**

## MM HYD-1a Prepare Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan

Prior to the issuance of a grading permit, the relevant applicant for each individual development proposal within the project site shall submit a draft of the Notice of Intent (NOI) and Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) in connection with its individual development proposal pursuant to the then-applicable Multi-Agency Post-Construction Stormwater Standards Manual at the time the relevant grading permit is submitted. After City approval of the relevant grading permit, the relevant

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NOI and SWPPP shall be sent to the California State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) for approval. Approval by the State Water Board is a prerequisite for issuance of the relevant grading permit by the City. The SWPPP shall address stormwater management during each phase of construction of the relevant individual development proposal. Best Management Practices (BMPs) shall be integrated into the relevant SWPPP as identified by the City of Tracy, which will result in the reduction or elimination of pollutants in stormwater discharges and the stabilization of BMPs to reduce or eliminate pollutants after construction of the relevant individual development proposal is completed. The relevant SWPPP shall be consistent with the applicable Regional Water Quality Control Board (RWQCB) standards and National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit requirements to protect water quality over the period of construction of the relevant individual development proposal.

### MM HYD-1b Prepare Stormwater Management Plan

Prior to the issuance of a grading permit, the relevant applicant for each individual development proposal within the project site shall prepare a Stormwater Management Plan in connection with its individual development proposal for review and approval by the City of Tracy. The relevant Storm Water Management Plan (SWMP) shall include two fundamental components: (1) treatment for pollutants collected in stormwater using Low Impact Development (LID) measures, and (2) no net increase in the erosion potential of the receiving stream over the pre-project (existing) condition. All LID treatment measures would be required to be designed in accordance with applicable engineering criteria in the then-applicable Multi-Agency Post-Construction Stormwater Standards Manual. Implementation of the relevant SWMP would require the preparation of a clearly defined Operations and Maintenance (O&M) Plan by the relevant applicant in connection with its development proposal to ensure that installed stormwater treatment measure(s) and hydromodification management control(s) are inspected and properly operated and maintained for the life of the relevant individual development proposal.

Facts in Support of Findings: Construction activity would expose soils to potential erosion, and to potential pollutants related to the use of construction equipment. Runoff from graded areas could carry eroded soils and pollutants into the storm drainage systems and into the Old River and eventually the San Joaquin River, increasing sedimentation, degrading downstream water quality, and potentially affecting the groundwater table. The proposed project would be required to comply with all applicable laws and regulations including the terms of the Construction General Permit, which require the preparation and implementation of a SWPPP that includes BMPs to ensure reduction of pollutants from construction activities that could potentially enter surface waters as required by MM HYD-1a. Additionally, implementation of the SWPPP would also prevent pollutants from entering the Tracy Subbasin by requiring the inclusion of BMPs, such as the use of biofiltration swales and bioretention basins, that would prevent pollutants from moving off-site through the treatment of stormwater on-site. The intention would be to keep all products of erosion from

moving off-site into receiving waters by treatment on-site. Furthermore, compliance with Chapter 11.34 of the Municipal Code would ensure that each applicant, in connection with its respective individual development proposal, implements the BMPs contained in the relevant SWPPP which would be verified by a City inspector during the construction period. Compliance with applicable policies, laws and regulations would minimize the potential to degrade water quality in downstream water bodies to the maximum extent feasible.

During operation, the proposed project would result in new impervious surfaces compared to existing conditions that would in turn generate stormwater runoff, which may carry pollutants such as pesticides, fertilizers, and deposits of fluids and metals from motor vehicles into the Old River or allow seepage of such pollutants into the associated groundwater table. The proposed project would be subject to applicable C.3 requirements, which includes implementation of a SWMP applicable to the proposed project's design and post-project O&M. Two fundamental components are associated with the SWMP: (1) treatment for pollutants collected in stormwater using Low Impact Development (LID) measures, and (2) no net increase in the erosion potential of the receiving stream over the preproject (existing) condition. All LID treatment measures would be required to be designed in accordance with applicable engineering criteria in the Multi-Agency Post-Construction Stormwater Standards Manual. Implementation of the SWMP would require the preparation of a clearly defined Operations and Maintenance (O&M) Plan to ensure that installed stormwater treatment measure(s) and hydromodification management control(s) are inspected and properly operated and maintained for the life of the project. The preparation, approval, and implementation of a SWMP is included as MM HYD-1b.

The primary treatment control measure would be the proposed project's on-site stormwater detention basin with a pump station that would be owned and managed by the City. Following Phase 1, each subsequent applicant for its respective individual development proposal within the project site would be required to confirm that the proposed project's on-site stormwater detention basin and bioretention treatment areas could accommodate project flows to the satisfaction of the City and that post-development stormwater flow rates would not substantially exceed predevelopment rates pursuant to the applicable C.3 requirements. The proposed project's on-site stormwater detention basin would be required to comply with applicable provisions of the Multi-Agency Post-Construction Stormwater Standards Manual which identifies BMPs to control the potential pollutant load of stormwater runoff. Additionally, Chapter 11.32 of the Municipal Code requires each applicant for its respective individual development proposal within the project site to pay applicable stormwater impact fees in connection with their respective development proposals, which would ensure the operation, maintenance, and replacement of existing and future stormwater facilities. Each applicant for its respective individual development proposal within the project site would be required to prepare a clearly defined O&M Plan in connection with its respective individual development proposal to ensure that installed stormwater treatment measures and hydromodification management controls are inspected and properly operated and maintained for the life of the relevant individual development proposal (Draft EIR, Page 3.10-21–23).

The City finds that MM HYD-1a through MM HYD-1b are feasible, are adopted, and will further reduce impacts related to water quality standards or water quality. Accordingly, the City finds that,

pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21081(a)(1) and State CEQA Guidelines Section 15091(a)(1), changes or alterations have been required in, or incorporated into, the proposed project that mitigate or avoid the potentially significant impacts as identified in the EIR. Therefore, impacts associated with hydrology and water quality would be less than significant with mitigation incorporated.

#### **Potential Effect**

**Impact HYD-3:** The proposed project could substantially alter the existing drainage pattern of the site or area, including through the alteration of the course of a stream or river or through the addition of impervious surfaces, in a manner which would:

- i. result in substantial erosion or siltation on- or off-site;
- ii. substantially increase the rate or amount of surface runoff in a manner which would result in flooding on- or off-site;
- iii. create or contribute runoff water which would exceed the capacity of existing or planned stormwater drainage systems or provide substantial additional sources of polluted runoff; or
- iv. impede or redirect flood flows? (Draft EIR, Page 3.10-30).

### **Findings:**

Less than significant impact with mitigation incorporated. (Draft EIR, Page 3.10-30). Changes or alterations have been required in, or incorporated into, the proposed project which avoid or substantially lessen the significant environmental effects as identified in the EIR. (State CEQA Guidelines § 15091(a)(1)).

### **Mitigation Measures**

Implement MM HYD-1a and MM HYD-1b

## MM HYD-3 Prepare Final Drainage Plan Prior to Grading

Each applicant for an individual development proposal within the project site shall, in connection with the relevant individual development proposal:

- Comply with all applicable rules, regulations, and procedures of the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) for municipal, construction and industrial activities as promulgated by the California State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board), or any of its Regional Water Quality Control Boards (RWQCBs).
- Submit a Final Stormwater Control Plan and a Stormwater Control Operations and Maintenance Plan (O&M Plan) to the City of Tracy Public Works and Community Development Department, which shall be reviewed for compliance with the County's National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit and shall be determined consistent with the City's Stormwater Management and Discharge Control Ordinance (Chapter 11.34 of the Municipal Code, Ordinance 1072) prior to issuance of a grading permit for the relevant individual development proposal. Improvement Plans shall be reviewed to verify consistency

- with the relevant Final Stormwater Control Plan and compliance with Provision C.3 of the City's NPDES Permit and the City's Stormwater Management and Discharge Control Ordinance (Chapter 11.34 of the Municipal Code, Ordinance 1072).
- Prior to issuance of grading permits for each relevant individual development proposal, the relevant applicant shall submit a Final Drainage Plan in connection with the relevant individual development proposal that incorporates the measures included in the Flood Protection Technical Memorandum. The City of Tracy Public Works and Community Development Department shall review the relevant Final Drainage Plan to ensure it is in compliance with all applicable requirements and standards, including the recommendations provided in the Flood Protection Technical Memorandum and in the Citywide Storm Drainage Master Plan in effect at the time building permits are issued, to reduce risk related to flooding within a designated floodplain. The relevant Final Drainage Plan shall be reviewed by City of Tracy Public Works and Community Development Department staff to ensure that all building minimum floor elevations for the relevant development proposal are at 26 feet or 1 foot above the maximum flood elevation and will accommodate the 200-year storm event as detailed in the Flood Protection Technical Memorandum. In addition, the on-site stormwater detention basin shall be designed in accordance with the recommendations provided in the Flood Protection Technical Memorandum and in accordance with the Citywide Storm Drainage Master Plan in effect at the time building permits are issued. Additionally, the relevant Final Drainage Plan shall determine if discharge of preproject runoff rates and/or volumes into the Tom Paine Slough drainage area can continue after project construction pursuant to applicable standards and requirements. Should the relevant Final Drainage Plan determine it is feasible to discharge some runoff (possibly up to the pre-project runoff volume) into the existing downstream system, this design shall be submitted to the City of Tracy as part of the relevant Final Drainage Plan for review and approval.

## **Facts in Support of Findings**

Construction-related Erosion and Siltation

The project site is not located adjacent or near any creek beds and the proposed project does not propose any alteration to a stream, creek bed, or river. Construction activity could result in substantial erosion or siltation due to a drainage pattern alteration and could therefore result in polluted runoff entering the City's stormwater drainage system and the Old River. This would represent a potentially significant impact. However, the proposed project would be required to implement a SWPPP as part of its Construction General Permit, pursuant to MM HYD-1a. The SWPPP is designed to ensure that erosion and siltation are prevented or minimized to the maximum extent feasible during construction through the implementation of standard BMPs. Consistent with Chapter 11.34 of the Municipal Code, each applicant for an individual development proposal within the project site would be required to implement the BMPs contained in the relevant SWPPP in connection with the relevant individual development proposal, which would be verified by a City

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inspector during the construction period. Pursuant to the relevant Storm Drainage Master Plan (SDMP) in effect at the time building permits are requested, the SWPPP would include a construction site monitoring program that demonstrates the site is in compliance with the Construction General Permit; therefore, the proposed project would also be required to adhere to this monitoring program mandate. Compliance with applicable policies, laws and regulations would minimize the potential to increase sedimentation or siltation to the maximum extent practicable.

### Operation-related Erosion and Siltation

Development of the project site would increase impervious surfaces compared to existing conditions. Thus, project operation could result in increased amounts of stormwater runoff that could carry pollutants into Old River and ultimately San Joaquin River. The proposed project would include an on-site stormwater detention basin with pump station that would be designed pursuant to all applicable standards and requirements to treat stormwater on-site and prevent erosion and siltation from increasing pollutant loads in the stormwater system and Old River. With respect to the Tracy Alliance parcels, bioretention treatment areas would be constructed around the proposed buildings and would also be interspersed throughout the parking lots. Stormwater that would be collected in the bioretention treatment areas would either evaporate or infiltrate through a bioretention filter into surrounding soils. The proposed project would be required to comply with the City of Tracy NPDES program, SWMP, and all relevant provisions of the Municipal Code related to stormwater pollution. The proposed project would be required to implement MM HYD-3 that would require each applicant for an individual development proposal within the project site to prepare a Final Drainage Plan in connection with the relevant individual development proposal prior to site grading, for review and approval by the City. Each Final Drainage Plan would be required to abide by the Multi-Agency Post-Construction Stormwater Standards Manual and require the incorporation of BMPs such as those described above, prior to discharging stormwater off-site. Through adherence to applicable policies, standards, and requirements and implementation of MM HYD-3, the proposed project's operation would not substantially increase erosion or siltation.

### Operation-related Surface Runoff

Impacts related to the potential for the proposed project to increase the rate or amount of surface runoff resulting in flooding are limited to operational impacts. The proposed project's increase in impervious surfaces is accounted for in the design of the proposed project's on-site stormwater detention basin with pump station, which would ensure that post-project flows do not exceed preproject flows in accordance with applicable C.3 requirements. Therefore, operation of the proposed project would not result in any increase in flooding on or off-site. The proposed project includes an on-site stormwater detention basin designed to reduce runoff volume and pollutants from the project site from entering the City stormwater drainage system or waterways, in accordance with Provision C.3 in the Municipal Regional Permit as implemented by the Central Valley RWQCB.

### Construction-related Exceedance of Storm Drain Capacity

The proposed project could increase stormwater runoff generation, which could potentially lead to flooding on or off-site. However, each applicant for an individual development proposal would be required to implement a SWPPP as part of its Construction General Permit, as required by MM HYD-1a. The SWPPP is designed to ensure that stormwater generation and pollutants are prevented or

minimized to the maximum extent feasible during construction through the implementation of standard BMPs. Consistent with Chapter 11.34 of the Municipal Code, each individual development proposal within the project site would be required to implement the BMPs contained in the relevant SWPPP in connection with the relevant individual development proposal, which would be verified by a City inspector during the construction period.

### Operation-related Exceedance of Storm Drain Capacity

The existing stormwater sheet flows from the site to the northeast toward I-205 and into Pescadero Irrigation District facilities; this stormwater does not currently enter into a City-maintained facility. The proposed project would install an on-site stormwater detention basin with a pump station along the northeast site boundary that would be owned and managed by the City. Bioretention treatment areas would be located around the buildings on the Tracy Alliance parcels and would also be interspersed throughout the parking lots. Stormwater that would be collected in the bioretention treatment areas would either evaporate or infiltrate through a bioretention filter into surrounding soils. Though the bioretention treatment areas for Suvik Farms and Zuriakat parcels are not currently known, each applicant for an individual development proposal on the foregoing parcel(s) would also have to prepare a Final Drainage Plan (similar to the applicant for the Tracy Alliance parcels) upon submittal of a development application that would be required to abide by the Multi-Agency Post-Construction Stormwater Standards Manual and require the incorporation of BMPs.

Proposed bioretention treatment areas would be required to be designed to reduce runoff volume entering the City stormwater drainage system or waterways, in accordance with Provision C.3 in the Municipal Regional Permit as implemented by the Central Valley RWQCB, and all other applicable standards and requirements. In addition, the proposed project would be required to comply with the City of Tracy NPDES program, SWMP, and all relevant provisions of the Municipal Code related to stormwater pollution, including the provision of appropriately sized bioretention areas for pretreatment of stormwaters in accordance with C.3 guidelines. Furthermore, implementation of MM HYD-3 would ensure that stormwaters are collected and conveyed in accordance with Chapter 11.34 of the Municipal Code. MM HYD-3 would also ensure that the proposed project complies with applicable regulations of the NPDES permit, and that each applicant for an individual development proposal within the project site prepares and submits a Final Storm Water Control Plan and Stormwater Control O&M Plan. These plans would prevent pollutants from moving off-site through the treatment of stormwater on-site.

### Operation-related Impacts to Flood Flows

Impacts related to impedance of flood flows would only occur during the operational phase of the proposed project. The project site could be subject to flooding in the event of a levee failure along the San Joaquin River or Paradise Cut, which is a distributary of the San Joaquin River. The levees along the San Joaquin River and Paradise Cut near the City do not currently meet Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) criteria for Urban Level of Flood Protection (ULOP). Therefore, the analysis to determine the flood levels must consider failure of the levees along the river.

The 200-year flood levels at the project site would be virtually the same as the FEMA 100-year flood levels, which is estimated to be 24 feet. Maximum flood depths at the project site would be controlled by existing ground elevations of tributaries of the San Joaquin River, including Old River

and Sugar Cut Channel, which would influence potential flows to the project site. Because the ground elevations around the southern end of the Sugar Cut Channel (21.2 feet) are greater than the projected 200-year flood elevation in the Old River (estimated at 17 feet), flood flows would be limited to existing drainage channels. The Flood Protection Technical Memorandum concluded that a levee breach at the Paradise Cut would result in 200-year flood elevations of at most 24 feet on the project site, which is similar to the 100-year flood elevation. Consequently, the Flood Protection Technical Memorandum determined it would be reasonable to plan for a 200-year flood elevation of 25 feet and all new structures within the project site would need to have a lowest finished floor elevation at least one foot, 26 feet, above the 200-year flood level associated with levee failure. The same minimum finished floor elevation would apply to all portions of the proposed project. Implementation of MM HYD-3 would require each applicant for individual development proposals within the project site to prepare a Final Drainage Plan in connection with the relevant individual development proposal prior to site grading to ensure that all relevant project buildings are built at a minimum finished floor elevation of 26 feet (i.e., 8.5 feet higher than the existing lowest ground elevation of 17.5 feet) and all measures and recommendations included in the Flood Protection Technical Memorandum are included in the project design. MM HYD-3 would ensure the proposed project is consistent with applicable provisions of the City's Municipal Code (Title 9 Building Regulations, Chapter 9.52 Floodplain Regulations), which requires that all new construction and substantial construction pertaining to buildings have the lowest floor, including basement, elevated to or above the base flood elevation.

The proposed project's on-site stormwater detention basin would be located within a known flood hazard zone. The City of Tracy Design Standards (City's Design Standards) requires basins to be emptied within 10 days. The proposed project's on-site stormwater detention basin would need to drain at 3 cubic feet per second (cfs) to fulfill this requirement.

The 100-year floodplain impacts on the project site would only result from the unlikely event of a levee failure along the San Joaquin River or Paradise Cut. Furthermore, the volume of the breach flow would need to be sufficient to inundate over 10 square miles prior to flows reaching the project site, which is an extreme and unlikely event. If flood flows reached the project site, they would fill available storage in the proposed project's on-site stormwater detention basin below the flood level and any additional flood flow volumes would be pumped into the Eastside Channel. The Flood Protection Technical Memorandum determined that it would not matter if the proposed project's on-site stormwater detention basin contained sufficient capacity in the event of regional flooding because runoff upstream from the project site would not make flooding worse and the impact of additional stormwater volumes being pumped into the Eastside Channel would be less than significant.

MM HYD-3 would require the proposed project's on-site stormwater detention basin to be designed in accordance with, and meet the applicable objectives, standards and requirements set forth in the Citywide SDMP in effect at the time building permits are requested for the relevant individual development proposal.

The Flood Protection Technical Memorandum notes that unlike most other areas of the City, the location of the proposed project's on-site stormwater detention basin has a defined existing

conveyance downstream from it. Although it may be reasonable to pump all of the increased runoff from the area tributary to the proposed project's on-site stormwater detention basin into the City's Eastside Channel drainage system, it may be feasible to discharge some runoff (possibly up to the pre-project runoff volume) into the existing downstream system. Any allowable discharge into the Tom Paine Slough system could reduce the capacity required for the proposed project's on-site stormwater detention basin. This design-level review would be completed as part of the Final Drainage Plan for each individual development proposal as required in MM HYD-3. Pursuant to the foregoing and with the applicants' compliance with all other applicable laws and regulations including designing the proposed project's on-site stormwater detention basin and all structures on-site consistent with City's Design Standards, recommendations provided in the Flood Protection Technical Memorandum, performance standards included in the Citywide SDMP in effect at the time building permits are requested, and implementation of MM HYD-3, impacts related to impedance of flood flows would be less than significant with mitigation incorporated (Draft EIR, Page 3.10-30–36).

The City finds that MM HYD-1a, MM HYD-1b, and MM HYD-3 are feasible, are adopted, and will further reduce impacts related to existing drainage patterns and hydrologic resources. Accordingly, the City finds that, pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21081(a)(1) and State CEQA Guidelines Section 15091(a)(1), changes or alterations have been required in, or incorporated into, the proposed project that mitigate or avoid the potentially significant impacts as identified in the EIR. Therefore, impacts associated with hydrology would be less than significant with mitigation incorporated.

### **Potential Effect**

**Impact HYD-4:** The proposed project would be located in a flood hazard zone, tsunami, or seiche zone, or risk release of pollutants due to project inundation (Draft EIR, Page 3.10-37).

Findings:

Less than significant impact with mitigation incorporated. (Draft EIR, Page 3.10-37). Changes or alterations have been required in, or incorporated into, the proposed project which avoid or substantially lessen the significant environmental effects as identified in the EIR. (State CEQA Guidelines § 15091(a)(1)).

## **Mitigation Measures**

Implement MM HYD-3.

Facts in Support of Findings: In the event of a levee failure along the San Joaquin River or Paradise Cut, which is a distributary of the San Joaquin River, sufficient to inundate over 10 square miles prior to flows reaching the project site, the project site could be inundated as it is located within a flood hazard zone as determined by FEMA. To address potential inundation, compliance with MM HYD-3 and applicable provisions of the City's Municipal Code (Title 9 Building Regulations, Chapter 9.52 Floodplain Regulations) would require each applicant for individual development proposals within the project site to submit a Final Drainage Plan in connection with the relevant individual development proposal that incorporates the recommendations included in the Flood Protection Technical Memorandum and project-specific Hydrology Study. Additionally, the relevant Final Drainage Plan shall determine if discharge of pre-project runoff rates and/or volumes into the Tom

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Paine Slough drainage area can continue after project construction pursuant to applicable standards and requirements. Should the relevant Final Drainage Plan determine it is feasible to discharge some runoff (possibly up to the pre-project runoff volume) into the existing downstream system, this design shall be submitted to the City as part of the relevant Final Drainage Plan for review and approval. These improvements would ensure that the proposed project would not be subject to a substantial risk of inundation and drainage would be improved such that the proposed project would not be at significant risk of pollutant release.

The project site is not located near the ocean and would not be susceptible to inundation from a tsunami. The project site is not located near a large, enclosed body of water and is not susceptible to inundation from a seiche (Draft EIR, Page 3.10-37–38).

The City finds that MM HYD-3 is feasible, is adopted, and will further reduce impacts related to potential inundation and hydrologic resources. Accordingly, the City finds that, pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21081(a)(1) and State CEQA Guidelines Section 15091(a)(1), changes or alterations have been required in, or incorporated into, the proposed project that mitigate or avoid the potentially significant impacts as identified in the EIR. Therefore, impacts associated with hydrology would be less than significant with mitigation incorporated.

#### **Potential Effect**

**Impact HYD-5:** The proposed project could conflict with or obstruct implementation of a water quality control plan or sustainable groundwater management plan (Draft EIR, Page 3.10-38).

**Findings:** 

Less than significant impact with mitigation incorporated. (Draft EIR, Page 3.10-38). Changes or alterations have been required in, or incorporated into, the proposed project which avoid or substantially lessen the significant environmental effects as identified in the EIR. (State CEQA Guidelines § 15091(a)(1)).

## **Mitigation Measures**

Implement MM HYD-1a.

Facts in Support of Findings: The proposed project would not conflict with the City's NPDES program. Given that construction for the proposed project would disturb more than one acre of land, the proposed project would be required to comply with the terms of the Construction General Permit, which would require the preparation and implementation of SWPPPs in connection with each individual development proposal within the project site, which would include BMPs to ensure reduction of pollutants from construction activities potentially entering surface waters in accordance with MM HYD-1a.

The project site is located within the San Joaquin Hydrologic Basin Planning Area under the jurisdiction of the Central Valley RWQCB. The proposed project would be required to comply with applicable goals and policies as set forth by the Central Valley RWQCB. The Tracy Regional Groundwater Management Plan (GMP) is the sustainable GMP that would govern development that occurs on the project site. As described in Impact HYD-2, the project site is located within the

boundaries of the Tracy Subbasin and has limited potential to adversely impact groundwater recharge rates due to existing poorly drained soils and shallow groundwater levels. Annual groundwater use is anticipated to be 2,500 AFY. This anticipated future groundwater pumpage is significantly below the City's maximum historical groundwater pumpage and the average annual operational yield of 9,000 AFY, and the proposed project would not significantly decrease groundwater supplies because the design of the proposed project's on-site stormwater detention basin includes filters to remove sediments and organic materials that might further reduce groundwater percolation rates. Given that the City has determined it would have adequate groundwater supplies to serve the project site, the proposed project would not conflict with or obstruct implementation of the relevant water quality control plan or the relevant sustainable GMP (Draft EIR, Page 3.10-38–39).

The City finds that MM HYD-1a is feasible, is adopted, and will further reduce impacts related to hydrology. Accordingly, the City finds that, pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21081(a)(1) and State CEQA Guidelines Section 15091(a)(1), changes or alterations have been required in, or incorporated into, the proposed project that mitigate or avoid the potentially significant impacts as identified in the EIR. Therefore, impacts associated with hydrology would be less than significant with mitigation incorporated.

### 1.7.6 - Noise

### **Potential Effect**

**Impact NOI-2:** The proposed project could generate a substantial temporary or permanent increase in ambient noise levels in the vicinity of the project in excess of standards established in the local general plan or noise ordinance, or applicable standards of other agencies (Draft EIR, Page 3.12-18).

### Findings:

Less than significant impact with mitigation incorporated. (Draft EIR, Page 3.12-25). Changes or alterations have been required in, or incorporated into, the proposed project which avoid or substantially lessen the significant environmental effects as identified in the EIR. (State CEQA Guidelines § 15091(a)(1)).

### **Improvement Mitigation Measures**

# IMM NOI-2 To reduce potential construction noise impacts, the following multi-part Improvement Mitigation Measure (IMM) shall be implemented for the project:

- Equip all internal combustion engine-driven equipment with intake and exhaust mufflers that are in good condition and appropriate for the equipment.
- Locate stationary operational noise-generating equipment as far as feasible from sensitive receptors when sensitive receptors adjoin or are near a construction area. In addition, the project contractor shall place such stationary construction equipment so that emitted noise is directed away from sensitive receptors nearest the project site to the extent feasible.
- Utilize "quiet" air compressors and other stationary operational noise sources where such technology exists and is commercially practicable.

- The construction contractor shall prohibit unnecessary idling (i.e., idling in excess of 5 minutes) of internal combustion engines.
- The construction contractor shall, to the maximum extent practicable, locate onsite equipment staging areas so as to maximize the distance between construction-related noise sources and noise-sensitive receptors nearest the project site during all project construction.
- The construction contractor shall ensure that all construction activities that would occur within 550 feet of a residential land use property line shall be limited to daylight hours or to the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

## **Facts in Support of Findings**

#### Construction

Noise impacts from construction activities associated with development of the proposed project would be a function of the noise generated by construction traffic, construction equipment, equipment location, sensitivity and location of nearby land uses, and the timing and duration of the construction activities. All project construction would be required to take place within the permissible hours (7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.). Accordingly, no significant impact related to construction noise would occur. A discussion of the potential impacts associated with each of these types of activities is provided below for informational purposes.

### Construction-related Traffic Noise

The proposed project would be required to adhere to the above-referenced construction hours and therefore no significant impact would occur. Because project construction workers and construction equipment would use existing routes, noise from passing trucks would be similar to existing vehicle-generated noise on these local roadways. In addition, these trips would not result in a doubling of daily traffic volumes on any of the local roadways in the project vicinity and would thus, as explained more fully above, not result in a perceptible change in existing traffic noise levels.

### Construction Equipment Operational Noise

The proposed project would be required to adhere to the above-referenced construction hours and therefore no significant impact would occur. Each construction phase would change the character of the noise generated on-site. Thus, the noise levels vary as construction progresses. Despite the variety in the types and sizes of construction equipment, similarities in the dominant noise sources and patterns of operation allow construction noise ranges to be categorized by work phase. The site preparation phase, which includes excavation and grading activities, tends to generate the highest noise levels because the noisiest construction equipment is earthmoving equipment. The maximum noise level generated by each scraper is assumed to be 85 dBA maximum noise level (L<sub>max</sub>) at 50 feet from this equipment. Each bulldozer would generate 85 dBA L<sub>max</sub> at 50 feet. The maximum noise level generated by graders is approximately 85 dBA L<sub>max</sub> at 50 feet. Each doubling of sound sources with equal strength increases the noise level by 3 dBA. Assuming that each piece of construction equipment operates at some distance from the other equipment, a reasonable worst-case combined noise level during this step in the construction process would be 90 dBA L<sub>max</sub> at a distance of 50 feet from the acoustic center of a construction area. This would result in a reasonable worst-case hourly average of 86 dBA L<sub>eq</sub>.

The nearest off-site noise-sensitive receptor to the proposed construction footprint is the single-family residence located west of the proposed building in the southwest corner of the project site, which would be located approximately 150 feet from the acoustic center of construction activity. At this distance, construction noise levels at the exterior façade of this nearest residential home would be expected to range up to approximately 80 dBA  $L_{max}$ , with a reasonable worst-case hourly average of approximately 76 dBA  $L_{eq}$ , intermittently.

The closest receptor to the eastern portions of the project site where anticipated project development would occur is the single-family residence located southeast of the project site. This receptor would be located approximately 95 feet from the nearest potential construction footprint where multiple pieces of heavy machinery would operate simultaneously. At this distance, construction noise levels at the exterior façade of this residential home would be expected to range up to approximately 84 dBA  $L_{max}$ , with a reasonable worst-case hourly average of approximately 80 dBA  $L_{eq}$ , intermittently.

The closest receptor to the northern portions of the project site where future project development would occur is the single-family residence located north of the project site. This receptor would be located approximately 130 feet from the nearest potential construction footprint where multiple pieces of heavy machinery would operate simultaneously. At this distance, construction noise levels at the exterior façade of this nearest residential home would be expected to range up to approximately 82 dBA L<sub>max</sub>, with a reasonable worst-case hourly average of approximately 78 dBA L<sub>eq</sub>, intermittently.

All of these reasonable worst-case construction noise levels would be required to occur only during permissible work hours, would be intermittent, and would be reduced as equipment moves over the project site further from sensitive receptors. Although there would be single event noise exposure potential causing intermittent noise nuisance from project construction activity, the effect on longer-term (hourly or daily) ambient noise levels, as measured at nearby sensitive receptors, would be small, but could result in annoyance or sleep disturbances at nearby sensitive receptors if construction activities are not limited to daylight hours. Improvement Mitigation Measure (IMM) NOI-2, which requires compliance with the City's permissible construction hours and implementation of best management noise reduction measures would further ensure that construction noise levels would not result in a substantial temporary increase in ambient noise levels that would result in a violation of the City's applicable construction hours requirements or sleep disturbance of nearby sensitive receptors.

#### **Operations**

The proposed project would result in an increase in traffic on local roadway segments in the project vicinity. In addition, implementation of the proposed project would introduce new stationary operational noise sources to the ambient noise environment in the project vicinity, including parking lot and loading/unloading activity, and new mechanical ventilation equipment operation.

#### Traffic (mobile source) Noise

As shown in Table 3.12-6 of the EIR, the highest traffic noise level increase with implementation of the proposed project would occur along Paradise Avenue, under Cumulative Plus Project conditions.

Along this roadway segment, the proposed project would result in an increase in traffic noise levels of 1.7 dBA over cumulative conditions without the project. The resulting noise levels for this roadway segment would be 70.9 dBA L<sub>dn</sub> as measured at 50-feet from the centerline of the outermost travel lane under Cumulative Plus Project conditions. These noise levels would be considered "conditionally acceptable" under the relevant land use category. Thus, the applicable significance criteria would be a 3 dBA increase, which would not result in a substantial permanent increase in traffic noise levels in excess of applicable standards.

#### Stationary Operational Noise-Parking Lot Activities

Assuming a reasonable worst-case scenario of one parking movement for every parking stall within a single hour would result in an hourly average noise level of 59 dBA  $L_{eq}$  as measured at the project boundary adjoining other properties. These noise levels are well below the City's hourly average noise level threshold of 75 dBA  $L_{eq}$ (h). Therefore, proposed parking lot activity noise levels would not generate a substantial temporary or permanent increase in ambient noise levels in the vicinity of the project in excess of the City's established noise performance threshold.

The nearest noise-sensitive receptor to the proposed parking areas of the western parcels is the single-family residence located west of the project site near the intersection of Grant Line Road and Paradise Avenue, which would be located approximately 180 feet from the acoustic center of the nearest parking area. At this distance, assuming a reasonable worst-case scenario of one parking movement for every parking stall every hour of the day would result in day-night average noise level of 50 dBA L<sub>dn</sub> as measured at the nearest residential façade. This is well below the City's "normally acceptable" threshold of 60 dBA L<sub>dn</sub> for residential land uses. This is also below the existing traffic noise levels along roadway segments adjacent to this receptor. Therefore, parking lot noise levels would not exceed existing ambient noise levels as measured at the nearest residential receptor and would not result in a substantial permanent increase in ambient noise levels in the project vicinity above the applicable standard.

#### Mechanical Equipment Operations

Proposed rooftop mechanical ventilation systems would be set back by more than 50 feet from project property lines that adjoin other properties. At this distance, hourly average noise levels from operation of these systems would attenuate to below 54 dBA L<sub>eq</sub> as measured at the nearest project boundary adjoining other properties. These noise levels are well below the City's hourly average noise level threshold of 75 dBA L<sub>eq</sub>(h). Therefore, proposed rooftop mechanical ventilation system operational noise levels would not generate a substantial temporary or permanent increase in ambient noise levels in the vicinity of the project in excess of the City's established noise performance threshold. The nearest noise-sensitive receptor to proposed rooftop mechanical ventilation systems on the western parcels is the single-family residence located west of the project site near the intersection of Grant Line Road and Paradise Avenue, which would be located approximately 320 feet from the nearest location where rooftop mechanical ventilation systems could be installed. At this distance, hourly average noise levels from operation of proposed ventilation systems would attenuate to below 22 dBA L<sub>eq</sub> as measured at the nearest residential façade. Assuming a reasonable worst-case scenario of the ventilation system operating every hour of the day would result in day-night average noise level of 35 dBA L<sub>dn</sub> as measured at the nearest

residential façade. This is well below the City's "normally acceptable" threshold of 60 dBA L<sub>dn</sub> for residential land uses. This is also below the existing traffic noise levels along roadway segments adjacent to this receptor. Therefore, noise levels from proposed mechanical ventilation equipment operations would not exceed existing ambient noise levels as measured at the nearest residential receptor and would not result in a substantial permanent increase in ambient noise levels in the project vicinity above the applicable standard.

#### Truck Loading Activities

Proposed truck loading areas would be set back more than 100 feet from the nearest project property line adjoining other properties. Assuming a reasonable worst-case scenario of a truck loading event for every proposed truck loading dock within a single hour would result in an hourly average noise level of 67 dBA Leg as measured at the project boundary adjoining other properties. These noise levels are well below the City's hourly average noise level threshold of 75 dBA  $L_{eq}(h)$ . Therefore, proposed truck loading activity noise levels would not generate a substantial temporary or permanent increase in ambient noise levels in the vicinity of the project in excess of the City's established noise performance threshold. The nearest noise-sensitive receptor to the proposed truck loading areas of the western parcels is the single-family residence located west of the project site near the intersection of Grant Line Road and Paradise Avenue, which would be located approximately 400 feet from the nearest truck loading areas. At this distance, assuming a reasonable worst-case scenario of a truck loading event for every truck loading dock every hour of the day would result in day-night average noise level of 60 dBA Ldn as measured at the nearest residential façade. Therefore, truck loading activities would not result in an increase in noise levels at the nearest sensitive receptor in excess of 5 dBA above the City's "normally acceptable" threshold of 60 dBA L<sub>dn</sub> for residential land uses. This is also below the existing traffic noise levels along roadway segments adjacent to this receptor. Therefore, truck loading noise levels would not exceed existing ambient noise levels as measured at the nearest residential receptor and would not result in a substantial permanent increase in ambient noise levels in the project vicinity above the applicable standard (Draft EIR, Page 3.12-18-25).

The City finds that MM NOI-2 is feasible, is adopted, and will further reduce impacts related to ambient noise. Accordingly, the City finds that, pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21081(a)(1) and State CEQA Guidelines Section 15091(a)(1), changes or alterations have been required in, or incorporated into, the proposed project that mitigate or avoid the potentially significant impacts as identified in the EIR. Therefore, impacts associated with noise would be less than significant with mitigation incorporated.

#### 1.7.7 - Transportation and Traffic

## **Potential Effect**

**Impact TRANS-2:** The proposed project could substantially increase hazards due to a geometric design feature (e.g., sharp curves or dangerous intersections) or incompatible uses (e.g., farm equipment). (Draft EIR, Page 3.14-33).

**Findings:** Less than significant impact with mitigation incorporated. (Draft EIR, Page 3.14-33). Changes or alterations have been required in, or incorporated into, the proposed

project which avoid or substantially lessen the significant environmental effects as identified in the EIR. (State CEQA Guidelines § 15091(a)(1)).

#### **Mitigation Measures**

#### MM TRANS-2 Prepare and Implement Construction Traffic Control Plan

Prior to the start of construction for an individual development proposal, the relevant applicant shall prepare and submit a Construction Traffic Control Plan for the individual development proposal at issue. Each plan shall include the following items. Each approved plan shall be implemented during construction of the individual development proposal at issue.

- Project staging plan to maximize on-site storage of materials and equipment.
- Permitted construction hours.
- Location of construction staging.
- Provisions for street sweeping to remove construction-related debris on public streets.
- A set of comprehensive traffic control measures including preparation of traffic control plans, as needed; scheduling of major truck trips and deliveries to avoid peak-hours; lane closure proceedings; signs, cones, and other warning devices for drivers; and designation of construction haul routes.
- Survey of the pavement condition on roadways within the relevant individual
  development to be used as part of haul route prior to the commencement of any
  work on-site. The survey shall include a video tape of the roadways. Each relevant
  applicant shall complete any remedial work prior to initiation of use and provide a
  bond assuring completion of the remediation work triggered by the individual
  development proposal, the amount which shall be deemed sufficient by the Public
  Works Department.
- The relevant applicant shall provide a pavement analysis for those roads along the
  proposed haul routes or any alternate route(s) that are proposed to be utilized by
  hauling operation for the individual development proposal at issue. This study
  shall analyze the existing pavement conditions and determine what impact the
  hauling operation will have over the construction period of the relevant individual
  development. The study shall provide recommendations to mitigate identified
  impacts, which shall be implemented by the relevant applicant for the individual
  development proposal at issue.

Facts in Support of Findings: Construction of the proposed project would require regular deliveries of equipment and materials to the project site as well as daily trips by construction workers. Given the location of the project site, nearly all construction traffic would be expected to access the project site from Grant Line Road and Paradise Road via I-205. This routing would generally avoid residential streets. Project construction activities may result in some temporary lane closures in the area. However, the resulting daily and peak-hour traffic volumes during the construction period are anticipated to be less than during project operation as analyzed in the Transportation Impact

Analysis (TIA). In a reasonable worst-case scenario where all three project phases overlap, it is estimated that during the highest trip generation stage of construction the total passenger car and truck trips would be 56 percent and 47 percent, respectively, of the proposed project trip generation analyzed in the TIA. Therefore, a reasonable worse-case concurrent construction of all phases would not worsen the Level of Service (LOS) more than the project LOS operational analyses analyzed in the TIA. Standard construction traffic control measures would be implemented consistent with applicable Caltrans and City policies, such as MM TRANS-2, which would require the preparation and implementation of a Construction Traffic Control Plan that would reduce the potential for construction vehicle conflicts with other roadway users. Construction-related impacts would be less than significant with mitigation.

At operation, primary vehicle access to the project site would be provided from four access points on Grant Line Road and four access points on Paradise Road; the northerly access point along Paradise Road would be for EVA only. A new signalized intersection on Grant Line Road would provide access to a New Private Drive that would facilitate on-site circulation for the warehouses and distribution and related uses on the Tracy Alliance parcels as well as access to the Suvik Farms and Zuriakat parcels, as shown in Exhibit 2-7a in the Project Description. The New Private Drive, located along the Tracy Alliance parcels' eastern boundary, would also provide access to the detention basin area. Since no individual development proposal(s) for either the Suvik Farms and Zuriakat parcels have been submitted to the City as of this writing, the exact location(s) of access points from the New Private Drive to the Suvik and Zuriakat parcels have not been identified at this time. Therefore, for purposes of this analysis, this evaluation assumes that a driveway would be placed at the Banta Road intersection and opposite other existing driveways to the south.

Entrances and roadways providing access to the proposed project would be required to be in compliance with applicable provisions of the City's Fire Code and other applicable laws and regulations as well as relevant conditions of approval, and would thus operate at acceptable service levels. Furthermore, the proposed roadway improvements would increase roadway safety by being designed according the applicable City of Tracy, Caltrans, and industry standards.

Section 3.08.290 of the Tracy Municipal Code establishes truck routes throughout the City, restricting vehicle routes within the City for vehicles with a gross vehicle weight of 5 tons or more or that are licensed commercially as a truck in the state of origin and used for carrying goods for pickup and delivery. Vehicles meeting either of these criteria would be restricted to specific truck routes and designated streets, except when necessary.

Larger trucks are called Surface Transportation Assistance Act (STAA) vehicles. The NEI Specific Plan includes the construction of new truck route signage to direct trucks toward truck routes, the conversion of Grant Line Road to a STAA route, and the construction of new STAA routes in the project vicinity. These improvements would further improve roadway safety by providing appropriate and adequate roadway infrastructure for the trucks that would access the project site. As a result, existing and planned roadways would be able to support proposed STAA trucks that would access the project site consistent with applicable provisions of the Municipal Code (Draft EIR, Page 3.14-33–35).

The City finds that MM TRANS-2 is feasible, is adopted, and will further reduce impacts related to design features and uses of the proposed project. Accordingly, the City finds that, pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21081(a)(1) and State CEQA Guidelines Section 15091(a)(1), changes or alterations have been required in, or incorporated into, the proposed project that mitigate or avoid the potentially significant impacts as identified in the EIR. Additionally, to further ensure safe transit and address\_concerns regarding truck traffic through the Banta community located east of the project site, the project applicants voluntarily agreed to implement signage along the project frontage on Grant Line Road to deter trucks from traveling on Grant Line Road east of the project site. The project applicant also voluntarily agreed to implement routine communications between property managers and tenants to ensure tenant understanding that trucks accessing the project site are prohibited from using Grant Line Road east of the project site. These measures will be incorporated as conditions of approval and would further improve roadway safety by limiting truck traffic. Therefore, impacts associated with transportation would be less than significant with mitigation incorporated.

## 1.7.8 - Tribal Cultural Resources

#### **Potential Effect**

**Impact TCR-1:** The proposed project could cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a Tribal Cultural Resource that is listed or eligible for listing in the California Register of Historical Resources, or in a local register of historical resources as defined in Public Resources Code Section 5020.1(k). (Draft EIR, Page 3.15-13).

**Findings:** 

Less than significant impact with mitigation incorporated. (Draft EIR, Page 3.15-13). Changes or alterations have been required in, or incorporated into, the proposed project which avoid or substantially lessen the significant environmental effects as identified in the EIR. (State CEQA Guidelines § 15091(a)(1)).

## **Mitigation Measure**

Implement MM CUL-1 and MM CUL-3.

Facts in Support of Findings: Review of the CRHR, local registers of historic resources, a records search conducted at the South Central Coastal Information Center (SCCIC), and an NAHC Sacred Lands File search failed to identify any listed tribal cultural resources that may be adversely affected by the proposed project. While it is possible that potentially eligible tribal cultural resources may be encountered during project construction, implementation of MM CUL-1 and MM CUL-3 would reduce potential impacts to a less than significant level. Impacts are limited to construction (Draft EIR, Page 3.15-13).

The City finds that MM CUL-1 and MM CUL-3 are feasible, are adopted, and will further reduce impacts related to Tribal Cultural Resources (TCRs). Accordingly, the City finds that, pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21081(a)(1) and State CEQA Guidelines Section 15091(a)(1), changes or alterations have been required in, or incorporated into, the proposed project that mitigate or avoid the potentially significant impacts as identified in the EIR. Therefore, impacts associated with TCRs would be less than significant with mitigation incorporated.

## **Potential Effect**

**Impact TCR-2:** The proposed project could cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a Tribal Cultural Resource determined by the lead agency, in its discretion and supported by substantial evidence, to be significant pursuant to criteria set forth in subdivision (c) of Public Resources Code Section 5024.1. (Draft EIR, Page 3.15-14).

Findings:

Less than significant impact with mitigation incorporated. (Draft EIR, Page 3.15-14) Changes or alterations have been required in, or incorporated into, the proposed project which avoid or substantially lessen the significant environmental effects as identified in the EIR. (State CEQA Guidelines § 15091(a)(1)).

## **Mitigation Measures**

Implement MM CUL-1 and MM CUL-3.

Facts in Support of Findings: On March 31, 2020, a letter was sent to the NAHC. A response was received on April 2, 2020, indicating the search returned negative results for TCRs in the project study area and recommended contacting tribal representatives for additional information. The NAHC response letter included a list of two tribal representatives available for consultation. FirstCarbon Solutions (FCS) sent a letter containing project information and requesting any additional information was sent to each of the tribal representatives on April 2, 2020.

On April 15, 2020, the City of Tracy Department of Development Services notified applicable tribal representatives of an opportunity to consult on the project pursuant to SB 18 (California Government Code § 65352.3). No responses have been received to date. The City of Tracy has not identified or determined any known TCRs to be significant. Although there is the possibility that previously undiscovered TCRs could be encountered by subsurface earthwork activities associated with the proposed project, the implementation of construction mitigation measures MM CUL-1 and MM CUL-3 would ensure that undiscovered TCRs are not adversely affected. Impacts are limited to construction. (Draft EIR, Page 3.15-14).

The City finds that MM CUL-1 and MM CUL-3 are feasible, are adopted, and will further reduce impacts related to TCRs. Accordingly, the City finds that, pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21081(a)(1) and State CEQA Guidelines Section 15091(a)(1), changes or alterations have been required in, or incorporated into, the proposed project that mitigate or avoid the potentially significant impacts as identified in the EIR. Therefore, impacts associated with TCRs would be less than significant with mitigation incorporated.

## **Cumulative Impact**

The proposed project's cumulative impacts related to TCRs would be less than significant with mitigation incorporated. (Draft EIR, Page 3.15-15).

**Findings:** Less than significant impact with mitigation incorporated. (Draft EIR, Page 3.15-15).

Changes or alterations have been required in, or incorporated into, the proposed

project which avoid or substantially lessen the significant environmental effects as identified in the EIR. (State CEQA Guidelines § 15091(a)(1)).

#### **Mitigation Measures**

Implement MM CUL-1 and MM CUL-3.

Facts in Support of Findings: The geographic scope for the cumulative analysis is the project vicinity. The cumulative setting includes existing agricultural and industrial uses and projects within a 0.5-mile radius of the project site. Compliance with federal and State laws and regulations and relevant General Plan policies requiring standard conditions of approval for all cumulative projects and measures (similar to those imposed on the project, i.e., MM CUL-1 and CUL-3) would reduce potentially cumulative impacts related to TCRs to a less than significant level. Implementation of construction mitigation measures (MM CUL-1 and MM CUL-3) would ensure that the project's contribution to the less than significant cumulative impact to undiscovered TCRs would not be cumulatively considerable. (Draft EIR, Page 3.15-14–15).

The City finds that MM CUL-1 and MM CUL-3 are feasible, are adopted, and will further reduce cumulative impacts related to TCRs. Accordingly, the City finds that, pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21081(a)(1) and State CEQA Guidelines Section 15091(a)(1), changes or alterations have been required in, or incorporated into, the proposed project that mitigate or avoid the potentially significant impacts as identified in the EIR. Therefore, cumulative impacts associated with TCRs would be less than significant with mitigation incorporated.

# 1.7.9 - Utilities and Service Systems

#### **Potential Effect**

**Impact UTIL-1:** The proposed project would require or result in the relocation or construction of new or expanded water, wastewater treatment or stormwater drainage, electric power, natural gas, or telecommunications facilities, the construction or relocation of which could cause significant environmental effects. (Draft EIR, Page 3.16-33).

#### Findings:

Less than significant impact with mitigation incorporated. (Draft EIR, Page 3.16-33) Changes or alterations have been required in, or incorporated into, the proposed project which avoid or substantially lessen the significant environmental effects as identified in the EIR. (State CEQA Guidelines § 15091(a)(1)).

#### **Mitigation Measures**

# MM UTIL-1a Adherence to Applicable Performance Standards and Payment of Infrastructure Fees

Prior to the issuance of building permits for an individual development proposal, the relevant applicant shall demonstrate compliance of the individual development proposal at issue with applicable performance standards pursuant to the then-current Urban Water Management Plan, Citywide Water System Master Plan, Wastewater Master Plan, and Citywide Storm Drainage Master Plan. In addition,

each applicant for an individual development proposal shall pay its respective proportionate share of required funding, subject to applicable laws governing nexus requirements, to the City for completion of relevant planned City Capital Improvement Plan improvements.

## MM UTIL-1b Submittal of Final Engineering Plans for Tracy Alliance Parcels

Prior to the issuance of the building permit for the first building on the Tracy Alliance parcels, the applicants for the development of the Tracy Alliance parcels shall submit engineering plans to the City of Tracy for review and approval to confirm compliance with this MM UTIL-1b. These plans shall include additional 12-inch diameter pipelines on-site as shown on Exhibit 3.16-6 of the EIR and the fire service laterals shall be upsized to 14-inch diameter.

# MM UTIL-1c Submittal of Final Engineering Plans for Suvik Farms and Zuriakat Parcels

Prior to the issuance of the building permit for the first building on the subject parcel, each relevant applicant for the individual development proposal of the Suvik Farms or Zuriakat parcels, respectively, shall each submit final engineering plans to the City of Tracy for review and approval to confirm compliance with the relevant performance standards, including, but not limited to, those pursuant to the current Urban Water Management Plan, Citywide Water System Master Plan, Wastewater Master Plan, and Citywide Storm Drainage Master Plan in effect at the time building permits are requested.

#### MM UTIL-3 Payment of Wastewater Infrastructure Fees/Construction of Wastewater Facilities

Prior to the issuance of the first building permit for the subject individual development proposal, the relevant applicant shall participate in the implementation of the Wastewater Master Plan (WWMP) in effect at the time the relevant building permit is requested through the payment of the applicable impact fees as included in the City's Capital Improvement Plan.

## **Facts in Support of Findings**

#### Water

During construction, because construction would require a minimal, limited quantity of water, it is reasonable to conclude that the City would have adequate water supply capacity to serve construction demands in addition to its other existing commitments, and new or expanded entitlements in connection with augmenting the City's water supply would not be necessary. Potential construction impacts related to expansion of existing water infrastructure are included in the construction analyses throughout this Draft EIR. There are no additional impacts associated with the construction or expansion of water infrastructure.

Regarding operation, the City currently has sufficient storage capacity in Zones 1 and 2 to meet the needs of the proposed project. With future planned projects implemented, water supply is sufficient

during normal years. However, during a single dry year or a multiple dry year period, the City must depend more heavily on conservation efforts, groundwater, and the proposed future supply projects, described in more detail below, to overcome the gap between supply and demand. As described in the Water Supply Assessment (WSA) and the 2020 UWMP, these findings are primarily due to projected reduced reliability of the City's CVP supplies and South San Joaquin Irrigation District (SSJID) supplies in dry years. During multiple dry years, the City anticipates increasing its groundwater production on a short-term basis from the normal year production of 2,500 AFY to 4,500 AFY. The groundwater supply is considered to be 100 percent reliable. To close any gap between supply and demand during dry years, the City would need to implement its Water Shortage Contingency Plan to reduce water demands. As discussed in Section 5.3 in the WSA, the City has shown that it can achieve its water conservation goals. During the 2012-2016 Statewide drought, the City exceeded its water conservation goal of 25 percent. Further, the City must fully implement its proposed future water supply projects, including the Recycled Water Distribution Network and Exchange Program and expansion of the ASR Program. Investments in wet year water supplies will also be needed to refill storage in Semitropic and expand the City's ASR Program. Delays in implementing the proposed future water supply projects could result in greater water supply shortages and the need for additional water conservation to meet demands. The City has developed several strategies and actions to address the projected supply shortfalls. The identified improvements to the recycled water infrastructure as part of the Recycled Water Distribution Network and Exchange Program have been incorporated into the City's Capital Improvement Plan (CIP). Each applicant for development of individual proposals for any of the parcels within the project site would be required to pay applicable development impact fees to ensure they each provide their respective proportionate share of required funding to the City for the completion of the water infrastructure improvements (which includes recycled water infrastructure) as required by MM UTIL-1a. In addition, each applicant for development of individual proposals for any of the parcels within the project site would be required to pay applicable development impact fees to ensure they each provide their respective proportionate share of required funding to the City for the acquisition, treatment, and delivery of treated potable and recycled water supplies to the project site.

Under peak-hour demand conditions, the City's existing water system infrastructure can provide adequate flows and pressures to the proposed project and adjacent sites in the NEI Specific Plan area. Under maximum day demands plus fire flow conditions, the distribution system can deliver fire flows to the proposed project while maintaining 20 psi residual pressure, but the 12-inch diameter dead-end pipeline in Grant Line Road has a velocity exceeding 12 feet per second. Pursuant to MM UTIL-1b, each applicant for individual development proposals within the project site would be required to provide final engineering plans to the City that include 12-inch diameter pipelines onsite, as shown on Exhibit 3.15-5, and upsized fire service lateral pipelines for review and approval. With implementation of this mitigation measure, the proposed project would meet the City's pipeline velocity criteria.

#### Wastewater

During construction, the WWTP would treat wastewater generated by construction of the proposed project consistent with applicable standards established by the Central Valley RWQCB. As discussed under Impact UTIL-3, the WWTP would have sufficient capacity to serve the proposed project (both

construction and operation) and a new or expanded wastewater treatment facility would not be required. The proposed project is anticipated to include connections to the existing City sanitary sewer system operated by the Public Works Department. Since no individual development proposals have been submitted to the City for either the Suvik Farms or Zuriakat parcels at this time, the exact location and sizing of an on-site sanitary sewer system is not currently known. Rather, this information would be identified and reviewed by the City as part of subsequent engineering and related plans when individual development applications are submitted for these parcels; all proposed infrastructure in connection with these applications would be required to meet all applicable standards and requirements. These parcels are within the City's SOI and were planned for as industrial sites by the City. Potential construction impacts related to construction or expansion of wastewater infrastructure are included in the construction analyses throughout the EIR. There are no additional impacts associated with the construction or expansion of wastewater infrastructure.

At operation, the proposed project would require upgraded infrastructure and would result in an increase in wastewater generation compared to existing conditions. As discussed under Impact UTIL-3, because the City of Tracy General Plan (General Plan) designates the site as Industrial, the City has anticipated the industrial use of the project site. With the existing available capacity along with the anticipated improvements to the WWTP, there would be sufficient wastewater capacity and infrastructure facilities available to serve the proposed project. Each applicant for an individual development proposal of any of the parcels within the project site would be required to participate in the implementation of the currently adopted WWMP through the payment of applicable impact fees as required by MM UTIL-3a.

#### Stormwater

During construction, the project would not result in the need for increased stormwater infrastructure improvements beyond those proposed on-site to serve the proposed project. Impacts are included in the construction analysis throughout the EIR. There are no additional impacts associated with the construction of new or expanded stormwater facilities.

During operation, the proposed project would result in a substantial increase of impervious surfaces, with a commensurate increase in stormwater runoff. The proposed project includes construction of an approximately 12.44-acre on-site stormwater detention basin with pump station on-site. The stormwater detention basin would be required to comply with applicable provisions of the Multi-Agency Post-Construction Stormwater Standards Manual which identifies BMPs to control the potential pollutant load of stormwater runoff. Additionally, Chapter 11.32 of the Municipal Code requires each applicant for its respective individual development proposal within the project site to pay applicable stormwater impact fees in connection with their respective development proposals, which would ensure the operation, maintenance, and replacement of existing and future stormwater facilities.

The proposed project would construct a 12-inch forced main storm drain line. Bioretention treatment areas would intermittently surround the buildings on the project site and would also be interspersed throughout the parking lots. Stormwater detention basins would be sized to accommodate the stormwater discharge for the Tracy Alliance parcels prior to the start of operations on the Tracy Alliance parcels. Following Phase 1, each subsequent applicant for its respective

individual development proposal within the project site would be required to confirm that the proposed project's on-site stormwater detention basin and bioretention treatment areas could accommodate project flows to the satisfaction of the City and that post-development stormwater flow rates would not substantially exceed predevelopment rates pursuant to the applicable C.3 requirements. The exact location and sizing of on-site stormwater drainage facilities for the Suvik Farms and Zuriakat parcels and how they would connect to the proposed project's on-site stormwater detention basin are not currently known. However, each applicant for its respective individual development proposal within the project site would be required to prepare a clearly defined O&M Plan in connection with its respective individual development proposal to ensure that installed stormwater treatment measures and hydromodification management controls are inspected and properly operated and maintained for the life of the relevant individual development proposal. This information would be identified and reviewed as part of subsequent engineering and related plans when individual development applications are submitted for these parcels. MM UTIL-1c would require the relevant applicant for the development of the Suvik Farms and Zuriakat parcels to submit engineering plans for the parcels that are the subject to the individual development proposal at issue for review and approval by the City.

#### Electric Power

As discussed more fully in the EIR, Section 3.6, Energy, due to the temporary nature of construction and the financial incentives for developers and contractors to use energy-consuming resources in an efficient manner, construction demand and consumption of electricity would not be significant. Potential construction impacts related to expansion of existing electrical infrastructure are included in the construction analysis throughout the EIR. There are no additional impacts associated with the construction or expansion of electrical facilities.

At operation, PG&E would provide electricity to the project site for lighting, appliances, and other associated uses. As discussed in the EIR, Section 3.6, Energy, the proposed project would be required to comply with the State's then-current Title 24 energy efficiency standards. These standards contain advanced energy efficiency standards and would ensure that the proposed project would not require significant or unplanned new electrical sources. The proposed project would not require the relocation or expansion of electrical infrastructure to serve the increased demand.

#### Natural Gas

During construction, the proposed project would not consume natural gas. Potential construction impacts associated with the expansion of existing natural gas infrastructure are included in the construction analysis throughout the EIR. There are no additional impacts associated with the expansion of existing natural gas infrastructure.

During operation, the proposed project could utilize natural gas for heating, which would be provided by PG&E. As discussed in the EIR, Section 3.6, Energy, the proposed project would be required to be designed and constructed consistent with the State's then-current Title 24 energy efficiency standards. These standards would ensure that the proposed project would not require significant or unplanned new natural gas sources. The proposed project would not require the relocation or expansion of electrical infrastructure to meet project demand.

#### **Telecommunications**

During construction, the proposed project would use telecommunications (phone and internet) for construction field services (office trailers). Implementation of the proposed project would not result in a substantial demand for service. Potential construction impacts related to expansion of existing telecommunications infrastructure are included in the construction analysis throughout the EIR. There are no additional impacts associated with extension and expansion of existing telecommunications infrastructure.

At operation, the proposed project would increase demand for internet and telephone services provided by local telecommunications providers. The building tenants/operators would coordinate with telecommunication providers in order to provide service, which have the capacity to serve project operations. The proposed project is located in an area where existing telecommunications providers already offer internet and telephone services and have sufficient capacity to meet project operational demands; therefore, the proposed project would not require the relocation or expansion of telecommunications infrastructure (Draft EIR, Page 3.16-33–56).

The City finds that MM UTIL-1a through MM UTIL-1c, and MM UTIL 3 are feasible, are adopted, and will further reduce impacts related to utilities. Accordingly, the City finds that, pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21081(a)(1) and State CEQA Guidelines Section 15091(a)(1), changes or alterations have been required in, or incorporated into, the proposed project that mitigate or avoid the potentially significant impacts as identified in the EIR. Therefore, impacts associated with utilities and service systems would be less than significant with mitigation incorporated.

## **Potential Effect**

**Impact UTIL-2:** The proposed project would have sufficient water supplies available to serve the proposed project and reasonably foreseeable future development during normal, dry, and multiple dry years. (Draft EIR, Page 3.16-56).

Findings:

Less than significant impact with mitigation incorporated. (Draft EIR, Page 3.16-56). Changes or alterations have been required in, or incorporated into, the proposed project which avoid or substantially lessen the significant environmental effects as identified in the EIR. (State CEQA Guidelines § 15091(a)(1)).

## **Mitigation Measures**

Implement MM UTIL-1a.

Facts in Support of Findings: Impacts related to water supplies are limited to operational impacts. Water demand within the City's water service area is not expected to exceed the City's supplies at buildout under normal hydrologic conditions based on the City's existing supplies and implementation of the City's additional future planned projects. During a single dry year or a multiple dry year period, the City must depend more heavily on water conservation efforts, groundwater, and the proposed future supply projects to overcome the gap between supply and demand. Investments in wet year water supplies would also be needed to refill storage in Semitropic and expand the City's ASR Program. The identified improvements to the recycled water

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infrastructure as part of the Recycled Water Distribution Network and Exchange Program have been incorporated into the City's CIP. Each applicant for development of individual proposals for any of the parcels within the project site would be required to pay applicable development impact fees to ensure they each provide their respective proportionate share of required funding to the City for the completion of the necessary water infrastructure improvements (which includes recycled water infrastructure) as required by MM UTIL-1a. In addition, each applicant for development of individual proposals for any of the parcels within the project site would be required to pay applicable development impact fees to ensure they each provide their respective proportionate share of required funding to the City for the acquisition, treatment, and delivery of treated potable and recycled water supplies to the project site. (Draft EIR, Page 3.16-56–57).

The City finds that MM UTIL-1a is feasible, is adopted, and will further reduce impacts related to water supplies. Accordingly, the City finds that, pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21081(a)(1) and State CEQA Guidelines Section 15091(a)(1), changes or alterations have been required in, or incorporated into, the proposed project that mitigate or avoid the potentially significant impacts as identified in the EIR. Therefore, impacts associated with water supply would be less than significant with mitigation incorporated.

#### **Potential Effect**

**Impact UTIL-3:** The proposed project would result in a determination by the wastewater treatment provider, which serves or may serve the proposed project, that it has adequate capacity to serve the proposed project's projected demand in addition to the provider's existing commitments. (Draft EIR, Page 3.16-57).

**Findings:** 

Less than significant impact with mitigation incorporated. (Draft EIR, Page 3.16-57) Changes or alterations have been required in, or incorporated into, the proposed project which avoid or substantially lessen the significant environmental effects as identified in the EIR. (State CEQA Guidelines § 15091(a)(1)).

#### **Mitigation Measures**

Implement MM UTIL-3.

**Facts in Support of Findings:** Impacts related to adequate wastewater treatment capacity are limited to operational impacts. Because the General Plan designates the site as Industrial, the City has anticipated development of the project site with industrial uses. Each applicant for individual development proposals of any of the parcels within the project site would be required to participate in the implementation of the infrastructure improvements described in the WWMP in effect at the time building permits are requested through the payment of fees as required by MM UTIL-3. (Draft EIR, Page 3.16-57–58).

The City finds that MM UTIL-3 is feasible, is adopted, and will further reduce impacts related to wastewater. Accordingly, the City finds that, pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21081(a)(1) and State CEQA Guidelines Section 15091(a)(1), changes or alterations have been required in, or incorporated into, the proposed project that mitigate or avoid the potentially significant impacts as

identified in the EIR. Therefore, impacts associated with wastewater would be less than significant with mitigation incorporated.

# 1.8 - Potential Environmental Effects Which are Significant and Unavoidable

This City Council hereby finds that, despite the incorporation of all feasible mitigation measures as identified in the EIR and the attached MMRP, the following impacts from the proposed project and related approvals cannot be fully mitigated to a less than significant level and a Statement of Overriding Considerations is therefore included herein.

## 1.8.1 - Agriculture and Forestry Resources

**Impact AG-1:** The proposed project would convert Farmland pursuant to the Farmland Mapping and Monitoring Program (FMMP), to nonagricultural use.

#### Findings:

Changes or alterations have been required in, or incorporated into, the proposed project which avoid or substantially lessen the significant environmental effects as identified in the EIR (State CEQA Guidelines § 15091(a)(1)). However, impacts would still remain significant and unavoidable even with mitigation incorporated. Specific economic, legal, social, technological, or other considerations, including provision of employment opportunities for highly trained workers, make infeasible the mitigation measure or project alternatives identified in the EIR (State CEQA Guidelines § 15091(a)(3)).

## **Mitigation Measures**

#### MM AG-1 Payment of Agricultural Mitigation Fees

At the time of issuance of building permits for each individual development proposal, the relevant applicant(s) for the subject development proposal shall pay the applicable Agriculture Mitigation Fee in accordance with Chapter 13.28 of the Municipal Code.

Facts in Support of Findings: The project site contains approximately 188 acres of Prime Farmland. Conversion of the project site to industrial use was envisioned as part of buildout under the General Plan and evaluated and disclosed under the General Plan EIR. Nevertheless, for purposes of a conservative analysis, the EIR acknowledged that the proposed project would result in the loss of Prime Farmland as a result of its conversion of Prime Farmland to urban uses. On June 7, 2005, the City Council adopted Chapter 13.28, Agricultural Mitigation Fee to its Municipal Code. In addition, the City Council adopted a resolution approving the Central Valley Farmland Trust as a qualifying agency to receive funds. This program serves as mitigation to the extent feasible for the conversion of Prime Farmland. In accordance with Chapter 13.28 of the Municipal Code, Agricultural Mitigation Fee, the developers of the Suvik Farms, Zuriakat, and Tracy Alliance parcels would each be required to pay applicable Agricultural Mitigation fees in connection with individual development proposals as implemented by MM AG-1. The proposed project would be required to comply with applicable provisions of the SJMSCP. Even with the payment of City mitigation fees and adherence to the

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SJMSCP, the proposed project would result in significant and unavoidable impacts related to the conversion of Farmland as identified by FMMP mapping to nonagricultural use since the foregoing would not fully avoid the impacts of this conversion (Draft EIR, Page 3.2-8–9).

The City finds that MM AG-1 is feasible, is adopted, and will reduce agricultural impacts to the extent feasible. The City further finds that no additional mitigation or project alternatives are feasible to further reduce this impact. Accordingly, the City finds that, pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21081(a)(1) and State CEQA Guidelines Section 15091(a)(1), changes or alterations have been required in, or incorporated into, the project that mitigate or reduce the potentially significant impacts as identified in the EIR to the extent feasible. However, impacts associated with conversion of Farmland would remain significant and unavoidable even with mitigation incorporated.

**Cumulative impact:** The proposed project would result in significant and unavoidable impacts with respect to agricultural resources. The proposed project would have less than significant impacts with respect to forestry resources (Draft EIR, Page 3.2-12).

#### Findings:

Changes or alterations have been required in, or incorporated into, the proposed project which avoid or substantially lessen the significant environmental effects as identified in the EIR (State CEQA Guidelines § 15091(a)(1)). However, impacts would still remain significant and unavoidable even with mitigation incorporated. Specific economic, legal, social, technological, or other considerations, including provision of employment opportunities for highly trained workers, make infeasible the mitigation measure or project alternatives identified in the EIR (State CEQA Guidelines § 15091(a)(3)).

#### **Mitigation Measures**

Implement MM AG-1.

Facts in Support of Findings: Much of the NEI Specific Plan area consists of Prime Farmland that has already been and would be converted to nonagricultural uses with implementation of the relevant cumulative projects, as already envisioned by the Industrial general plan and specific plan designations. Like the proposed project, any of the cumulative projects that would convert Farmland to nonagricultural uses would pay the applicable Agricultural Mitigation Fee. All of the cumulative projects are within San Joaquin County and would be required to adhere to the SJMSCP, which may include payment of development fees for conversion of lands. Even with payment of this fee and adherence to the SJMSCP, the development of the cumulative projects would result in a significant and unavoidable impact, which the General Plan EIR previously disclosed and for which the City Council previously adopted a Statement of Overriding Considerations in connection with the Council's adoption of the General Plan. That Statement of Overriding Considerations explained that the General Plan contains policies to preserve agricultural lands, in addition to policies in the SJMSCP and the City's Agricultural Mitigation Fee Ordinance. Despite these policies and regulations, development permitted under the General Plan would result in the conversion of Prime Farmland, Unique Farmland, and Farmland of Statewide Importance to urban uses. The City Council found that

there are no other feasible mitigation measures that may avoid or reduce these impacts to a less than significant level, and therefore these impacts are significant and unavoidable.<sup>2</sup>

As discussed above, development of the proposed project would result in the loss of approximately 188 acres of Prime Farmland, which would result in a project-level significant and unavoidable impact.

There are no National Forest lands within the City or the City's SOI, which includes the NEI Specific Plan area. The project site and the cumulative project sites do not contain forest land or timberland, as defined by Public Resource Code Section 4526, nor do they contain any timberland zoned Timberland Production, as defined by Government Code Section 51104(g). Therefore, the cumulative projects would not conflict with forest zoning or converting forest land to non-forest use, and thus there would be no significant cumulative impact in this regard (Draft EIR, Page 3.2-11–12).

The City finds that MM AG-1 is feasible, is adopted, and will reduce cumulative impacts to agricultural resources to the extent feasible. The City further finds that no additional mitigation or project alternatives are feasible to further reduce this cumulative impact. Accordingly, the City finds that, pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21081(a)(1) and State CEQA Guidelines Section 15091(a)(1), changes or alterations have been required in, or incorporated into, the proposed project that mitigate or reduce the potentially significant impacts as identified in the EIR to the extent feasible. However, cumulative impacts associated with conversion of Farmland would remain significant and unavoidable even with mitigation incorporated.

# 1.8.2 - Air Quality

**Impact AIR-1:** The proposed project could conflict with or obstruct implementation of the applicable air quality plan (Draft EIR, Page 3.3-26).

## Findings:

Changes or alterations have been required in, or incorporated into, the proposed project which avoid or substantially lessen the significant environmental effects as identified in the EIR (State CEQA Guidelines § 15091(a)(1)). However, impacts would still remain significant and unavoidable even with mitigation incorporated. Specific economic, legal, social, technological, or other considerations, including provision of employment opportunities for highly trained workers, make infeasible the mitigation measure or project alternatives identified in the EIR (State CEQA Guidelines § 15091(a)(3)).

#### **Mitigation Measures**

## MM AIR-1a NO<sub>X</sub> Reduction Measures

Prior to the issuance of grading or building permits for each individual development proposal within the project site, the relevant applicant for each development

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> City of Tracy. Resolution 2006-183 Certified the Final Environmental Report for the City of Tracy General Plan of 2006; Making Findings Relating to Significant Impacts, Alternatives, and Statement of Overriding Considerations and Adopting a Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program.

proposal shall provide documentation to the City of Tracy demonstrating the following  $NO_X$  reduction measures would be adhered to during construction activities for the relevant development proposal:

- For all construction equipment and vehicles used during project construction that are equal to or greater than 250 horsepower, the contractor shall use construction equipment and vehicles that meet the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Tier 4 Final engine standards;
- For all construction equipment and vehicles used during project construction that are less than 250 horsepower, the contractor shall use electric construction equipment and vehicles to the extent feasible, with the exception of handheld generator sets; and
- All generator sets utilized during project construction shall be limited to 5 horsepower and shall only be used to power handheld power tools.

The construction contractor shall maintain reasonable records concerning its efforts to comply with this requirement, including equipment lists. Documentation that each relevant applicant provides to the City shall include, but is not limited to, equipment type, equipment manufacturer, equipment identification number, engine model year, engine certification (Tier rating), horsepower, and engine serial number.

## MM AIR-1b "Super-Compliant" Architectural Coatings

Prior to the issuance of grading or building permits for each individual development proposal within the project site, the relevant applicant for each development shall provide the City with documentation demonstrating the use of "Super-Compliant" architectural coatings, as defined by the South Coast Air Quality Management District (South Coast AQMD), during construction of the proposed project. "Super-Compliant" architectural coatings, as defined by the South Coast AQMD, are paints which do not exceed 10 grams of reactive organic gas (ROG) per liter of paint.

#### MM AIR-1c "Zero-VOC" Consumer Products

The consumer products purchased by the building occupant(s) or by the cleaning business contracted by the building occupant(s) for on-site use shall consist of water-based or "zero volatile organic compound [VOC]" consumer products, to the maximum extent feasible. "Consumer products," as referred to in this mitigation measure, shall include detergents, cleaning compounds, polishes, and floor finishes. "Consumer products," as referred to in this mitigation measure, shall not include parking lot degreasers, architectural coatings, pesticides, or fertilizers.

#### MM AIR-1d Clean Truck Fleet

Prior to the issuance of the certificate of occupancy for each individual development proposal within the project site, the relevant applicant for the subject individual

development proposal shall provide the City with reasonable documentation demonstrating the use of a clean truck fleet that meets the California Air Resources Board's adopted 2013 Optional Low-NO $_{\rm X}$  Standard of 0.02 gram of nitrogen oxide (NO $_{\rm X}$ ) per brake horsepower-hour for all heavy-duty trucks during operation of the proposed project, to the maximum extent feasible. If the relevant applicant does not own the truck fleet that will be used during operation of the subject individual development, the relevant applicant shall provide the City with reasonable documentation from the truck fleet owner demonstrating that trucks utilized for operation of the subject individual development will meet the California 2013 Optional Low-NO $_{\rm X}$  Standard, to the maximum extent feasible. If any change occurs where a new truck fleet is utilized during operation of the subject individual development, the relevant applicant shall provide the City with reasonable documentation demonstrating that the new truck fleet meets the California 2013 Optional Low-NO $_{\rm X}$  Standard of 0.02 gram per brake horsepower-hour, to the maximum extent feasible.

## MM AIR-1e Operational Truck Fleet Routing

Prior to the issuance of the certificate of occupancy for each individual development proposal within the project site, the relevant applicant for the subject individual development proposal shall provide the City with reasonable documentation demonstrating that trucks used during project operation are prohibited from accessing Grant Line Road east of the project site. All trucks used during project operation shall use routes that circumvent the use of Grant Line Road east of the project site.

#### MM AIR-1f Idling Limitation

Prior to the issuance of the certificate of occupancy for each individual development proposal within the project site, the relevant applicant for the subject individual development proposal shall provide the City with reasonable documentation demonstrating that on-site truck idling shall be limited to no greater than 3 minutes. The documentation provided to the City shall include, at a minimum, photos or a map of signage posted in strategic locations on-site identifying that truck idling does not exceed 3 minutes. The signage shall include a phone number to contact at the facility regarding idling violation complaints, and corrective action shall occur within 48 hours of receipt of the complaint.

#### MM AIR-1g Electric On-Site Off-Road and On-Road Equipment

Prior to the issuance of the certificate of occupancy for each individual development proposal within the project site, the relevant applicant for the subject individual development proposal shall provide the City with reasonable documentation demonstrating that all on-site off-road and on-road equipment will be electric-

powered. On-site off-road and on-road equipment shall include, but are not limited to, forklifts and pallet jacks.

#### MM AIR-1h Vegetated Project Site Buffer

Prior to the issuance of building permit(s) for each individual development proposal within the project site, the relevant applicant for the subject individual development proposal shall demonstrate on their site plans the inclusion of a vegetative buffer around the perimeter of the project site. Examples of vegetative buffers may include, but are not limited to, trees, bushes, shrubs, or a mix thereof.

## MM AIR-1i Tier 2 CALGreen Electric Vehicle Charging Infrastructure

Prior to the issuance of building permit(s) for each individual development proposal within the project site, the relevant applicant for the subject individual development proposal shall provide the City with reasonable documentation (e.g., shown on-site plans) showing that the proposed parking areas for passenger automobiles and trucks are designed and will be built to include electric vehicle (EV) charging stations. At a minimum, the parking shall be designed to include, at a minimum, a number of EV charging stations equal to the Tier 2 Nonresidential Voluntary Measures of the California Green Building Standards Code, Section A5.106.5.3.2.

**Facts in Support of Findings:** The EIR uses the following criteria for determining project consistency with the current Air Quality Plans (AQPs):

- Criterion 1: Does the project support the primary goals of the AQP?
- Criterion 2: Does the project include applicable control measures from the AQP?
- Criterion 3: Does the project disrupt or hinder implementation of any AQP control measures?

#### Criterion 1

The City of Tracy General Plan Land Use Element designates the project site as Industrial, which is intended to accommodate flex/office space, manufacturing, warehousing and distribution, and ancillary uses for workers' needs. Therefore, the proposed project, which involves the development of light industrial, warehouse and distribution and related uses is considered consistent with the site's General Plan land use designation and its traffic would be included in volumes projected for analysis of the General Plan.

Nonetheless, as further discussed under Impact AIR-2 and Impact AIR-3, the proposed project could create a localized violation of State or federal air quality standards, significantly contribute to cumulative nonattainment pollutant violations, and expose sensitive receptors to substantial pollutant concentrations. The proposed project would be required to implement the mitigation measures identified under Impact AIR-2; however, because full implementation of the mitigation cannot be guaranteed due to potential technical or financial infeasibility, the proposed project's potentially significant impact is conservatively identified as significant and unavoidable. The proposed project is, therefore, considered inconsistent with Criterion 1 after the incorporation of mitigation.

#### Criterion 2

The proposed project would be required to comply with all applicable Valley Air District rules and regulations. Therefore, the proposed project would comply with this criterion through compliance with existing regulations.

#### Criterion 3

As discussed in Impact AIR-2 below, annual emissions of ROG, nitrogen oxides (NO<sub>X</sub>), PM<sub>10</sub>, and PM<sub>2.5</sub> associated with the construction of the proposed project (whether phases are constructed sequentially or concurrently) would not exceed the Valley Air District's significance thresholds after incorporation of mitigation. However, emissions of ROG would exceed the Valley Air District's localized significance thresholds if all three project phases were constructed concurrently, even after implementation of identified mitigation. Operation of the proposed project would also have the potential to exceed regional significance thresholds for ROG and NOX and would have the potential to result in a violation of localized standards after incorporation of mitigation. As shown in Impact AIR-2, the proposed project could also result in CO hotspots that would violate applicable CO standards. Therefore, as the proposed project has the potential to exceed Valley Air District significance thresholds during construction and operation, even after incorporation of the identified mitigation, this impact would remain significant and unavoidable (Draft EIR, Page 3.3-26–28).

The City finds that MM AIR-1a though MM AIR-1i are feasible, are adopted, and will reduce impacts related to implementation of applicable air quality plans to the extent feasible. The City further finds that no additional mitigation or project alternatives are feasible to further reduce this impact. Accordingly, the City finds that, pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21081(a)(1) and State CEQA Guidelines Section 15091(a)(1), changes or alterations have been required in, or incorporated into, the proposed project that mitigate or reduce the potentially significant impacts as identified in the EIR to the extent feasible. However, impacts associated with air quality would remain significant and unavoidable even with mitigation incorporated.

**Impact AIR-2:** The proposed project could result in a cumulatively considerable net increase of any criteria pollutant for which the region is in nonattainment under an applicable federal or State ambient air quality standard (Draft EIR, Page 3.3-30).

## Findings:

Changes or alterations have been required in, or incorporated into, the proposed project which avoid or substantially lessen the significant environmental effects as identified in the EIR (State CEQA Guidelines § 15091(a)(1)). However, impacts would still remain significant and unavoidable even with mitigation incorporated. Specific economic, legal, social, technological, or other considerations, including provision of employment opportunities for highly trained workers, make infeasible the mitigation measure or project alternatives identified in the EIR (State CEQA Guidelines § 15091(a)(3)).

#### **Mitigation Measures**

Implement MM AIR-1a through MM AIR-1i.

**Facts in Support of Findings:** Regional emissions generated by the proposed project would exceed applicable thresholds after compliance with all rules, regulations, and mitigation measures during operation. Localized operational emissions would also present a potentially significant impact after incorporation of identified mitigation. This impact would be significant and unavoidable.

The Air Basin is in nonattainment for  $PM_{10}$ ,  $PM_{2.5}$ , and ozone. Regional emissions include those generated from all on-site and off-site activities. Regional significance thresholds have been established by the Valley Air District because emissions from projects in the Air Basin can potentially contribute to the existing emission burden and possibly affect the attainment and maintenance of ambient air quality standards. Projects within the Air Basin with regional emissions that exceed any of the thresholds presented previously are considered to have a significant regional air quality impact.

#### **Construction Emissions**

The proposed project involves three different applicants, each of which would have individual development proposals for their respective properties within the project site; it is assumed the proposed project would involve three separate construction phases that would occur over a 12-month period from April through March. Phase 1 would occur from April 2022 through March 2023, Phase 2 would occur from April 2023 through March 2024, and Phase 3 would occur from April 2024 through March 2025. However, the analysis provided in the EIR also discloses the potential impacts that would occur if phasing overlapped. The default construction equipment utilized in the California Emissions Estimator Model (CalEEMod) were adjusted to match the assumed construction schedule and to preserve the CalEEMod default horsepower-hours during construction activities.

Based on the analysis provided in Section 3.3, Air Quality, of the EIR, criteria pollutant emissions would exceed Valley Air District thresholds of significance during unmitigated construction for ROG and NO<sub>x</sub> during construction of the proposed project. It should be noted that unmitigated construction emissions incorporate the basic dust control measures required under District Rule 8021, which requires that vehicle speeds on unpaved roads and surfaces be reduced to no more than 15 miles per hour and exposed construction areas are watered during earthmoving activities. Because the proposed project would exceed significance thresholds for ROG and NO<sub>x</sub> during construction activities, MM AIR-1a and MM AIR-1b would be required during construction of the proposed project to reduce ROG and NO<sub>x</sub> emissions to below Valley Air District significance thresholds. MM AIR-1a would require the use of Tier 4 Final engines for construction equipment equal to or greater than 250 horsepower and electric alternatives for all construction equipment less than 250 horsepower. MM AIR-1a would not preclude the use of generators; however, generators would be limited to no greater than 5 horsepower under MM AIR-1a to ensure that only handheld power tools are powered by generators and no electric alternative for any specific construction equipment which exceeds 250 horsepower is powered by diesel-fueled generators during construction. As detailed more fully above, MM AIR-1b would require the use of "Super-Compliant" architectural coatings during construction of the proposed project. "Super-Compliant" architectural coatings refer to paints which do not exceed 10 grams of ROG per liter of paint. As shown in Table 3.3-8, construction of the proposed project would not exceed the Valley Air District's annual significance threshold with MM AIR-1a and MM AIR-1b incorporated. Additionally, construction

emissions would be mitigated to below the Valley Air District's annual significance thresholds for ROG and  $NO_X$  after implementation of identified mitigation, even if all three project phases were constructed concurrently (Draft EIR, Page 3.3-32).

#### Construction Ambient Air Quality Analysis

As shown in Table 3.3-9 of the EIR (Page 3.3-36), after the incorporation of MM AIR-1a and MM AIR-1b, construction of the proposed project would not exceed the Valley Air District's daily emission screening levels for an Ambient Air Quality Analysis (AAQA), pursuant to District Rule 2201, assuming that none of the project phases were to be constructed concurrently. However, emissions of ROG and CO would exceed the Valley Air District's significance thresholds after implementation of identified mitigation if all three project phases were constructed concurrently. As such, this impact would remain significant and unavoidable after implementation of identified mitigation (Draft EIR, Page 3.3-36).

#### **Operational Emissions**

Operation of the proposed project at full buildout would involve the operation of light industrial, warehouse and distribution and related uses on the project site. As contained in the TIA and shown in Table 3.3-10 of the EIR (Page 3.3-38), Phase I (Tracy Alliance parcels) would generate an estimated 1,775 daily passenger vehicle trips and 836 daily truck trips; Phase 2 (Suvik Farms parcels) would generate an estimated 974 daily passenger vehicle trips and 459 daily truck trips; and Phase 3 (Zuriakat parcel) would generate an estimated 456 daily passenger vehicle trips and 215 daily truck trips.

The proposed project would involve the removal of existing structures, including two residences and nine agricultural outbuildings for equipment storage and maintenance. In order to demonstrate the net increase in emissions generated by the proposed project during operation beyond what is currently generated by existing land uses, the existing land uses were modeled. As shown in Table 3.3-12 of the EIR (Page 3.3-39), unmitigated operational emissions would exceed Valley Air District thresholds of significance for ROG and NO<sub>x</sub>. Therefore, MM AIR-1c, MM AIR-1d, MM AIR-1e, MM AIR-1f, MM AIR-1g, MM AIR-1h, and MM AIR-1i would be required to mitigate operational emissions to below Valley Air District thresholds. Incorporation of MM AIR-1d into operation of the proposed project would reduce annual NO<sub>x</sub> emissions. As detailed more fully above, MM AIR-1d would require all phases of the proposed project to use a "clean truck fleet" that meets a performance standard of 0.02 gram of NO<sub>x</sub> per brake horsepower-hour for all heavy-heavy-duty (HHD) trucks during project operation. In addition, as detailed more fully above, MM AIR-1c would require the use of consumer products (detergents, cleaning compounds, polishes, and floor finishes) that contain zero VOCs during operation of the proposed project. MM AIR-1d would require all phases of the proposed project to use a "clean truck fleet" that meets or exceeds performance standards.

MM AIR-1d, which would require the use of a HHD truck fleet that meets the 2013 Optional Low-NO $_{\rm X}$  Standard of 0.02 gram of NO $_{\rm X}$  per brake horsepower-hour, would represent an approximately 90 percent reduction in NO $_{\rm X}$  emissions from the current heavy-duty truck NO $_{\rm X}$  standard of 0.2 gram of NO $_{\rm X}$  per brake horsepower-hour. Nonetheless, the full implementation of MM AIR-1c and MM AIR-1d cannot be guaranteed during project operation; therefore, the emission estimates provided in the EIR demonstrate a reasonable worst-case scenario for project operation after incorporation of

identified mitigation. In addition, MM AIR-1f would restrict on-site vehicle idling to no greater than 3 minutes. MM AIR-1g would require the use of electric on-site on- and off-road equipment in place of non-electric alternatives. MM AIR-1i would require the installation of EV charging stations which meet the Tier 2 standards set forth in Section A5.106.5.3 of Appendix A5 – Nonresidential Voluntary Measures of CALGreen of the 2019 CBC. The inclusion of MM AIR-1f, MM AIR-1g, and MM AIR-1i would incrementally reduce emissions below those disclosed in the Draft EIR as explained in the Final EIR; however, the quantified reductions from these measures cannot be accurately quantified at this time. Because the operational emissions would exceed the Valley Air District's significance thresholds for ROG and NO<sub>x</sub>, this impact would remain significant and unavoidable, even with implementation of the additional mitigation.

#### Operational Ambient Air Quality Analysis

As shown in Table 3.3-14 of the EIR (Page 3.3-41), due to the uncertainty of full implementation of MM AIR-1c and MM AIR-1d, and the uncertain efficacy of quantified reductions resulting from MM AIR-1f, MM AIR-1g, MM AIR-1i, the potential emission reductions resulting from identified mitigation are not considered in the proposed project's mitigated operational emissions. As such, maximum daily operational emissions generated by all phases of the proposed project would exceed the Valley Air District's screening threshold for an AAQA for NOX emissions. As a result, this impact would remain significant and unavoidable after mitigation is incorporated (Draft EIR, Page 3.3-30–42).

The City finds that MM AIR-1a though MM AIR-1i are feasible, are adopted, and will reduce impacts related to criteria pollutants to the extent feasible. The City further finds that no additional mitigation or project alternatives are feasible to further reduce this impact. Accordingly, the City finds that, pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21081(a)(1) and State CEQA Guidelines Section 15091(a)(1), changes or alterations have been required in, or incorporated into, the proposed project that mitigate or reduce the potentially significant impacts as identified in the EIR to the extent feasible. However, impacts associated with air quality would remain significant and unavoidable even with mitigation incorporated.

**Impact AIR-3:** The proposed project could expose sensitive receptors to substantial pollutant concentrations (Draft EIR, Page 3.3-42).

#### **Findings:**

Changes or alterations have been required in, or incorporated into, the proposed project which avoid or substantially lessen the significant environmental effects as identified in the EIR (State CEQA Guidelines § 15091(a)(1)). However, impacts would still remain significant and unavoidable even with mitigation incorporated. Specific economic, legal, social, technological, or other considerations, including provision of employment opportunities for highly trained workers, make infeasible the mitigation measure or project alternatives identified in the EIR (State CEQA Guidelines § 15091(a)(3)).

## **Mitigation Measures**

Implement MM AIR-1d to MM AIR-1i.

**Facts in Support of Findings:** The closest sensitive receptors to the project site are single-family residences and Banta Elementary School. The closest sensitive receptors to the project site are located at the following distances:

- Residences as close as 145 feet west of the project site across Paradise Road;
- Residences immediately adjacent to the project site to the east along Grant Line Road;
- Residences as close as 120 feet south of the project site across Grant Line Road;
- Residences as close as 60 feet north of the project site across California Avenue; and
- Banta Elementary School approximately 1,500 feet to the east at its closest outside area.

It should be noted that while the above receptors represent the closest sensitive receptors to the proposed project, the Maximally Impacted Sensitive Receptor (MIR), as will be discussed under the "Construction: Toxic Air Contaminant" discussion below, during each construction phase of the proposed project may be different. The MIR during pollutant-generating activity is influenced by the distance of that receptor to the pollutant source(s), the amount and type of pollutants generated by each source, the topography and direction of the MIR as it relates to the pollutant source(s), and the prevailing meteorological conditions. Therefore, the closest sensitive receptor and the MIR may not be the same.

## Construction-Reactive Organic Gas

ROG generated during construction activities are primarily emitted during the application of architectural coatings (painting). Construction of the proposed project would incorporate MM AIR-1b, which would require the use of "super-compliance" architectural coatings, reducing potential health impacts from ROG exposure. Therefore, exposure to ROGs during architectural coatings would be a less than significant health impact.

ROG generated during construction activities are also emitted during the pouring and curing of asphalt. District Rule 4641 prohibits the use of certain types of asphalt. Residents are not in the immediate vicinity of the fumes because asphalt laying would principally occur within the interior of the project site and subsequent fumes would dissipate as they are emitted; therefore, they would not be subjected to concentrations high enough to evoke a negative response. In addition, the restrictions that are placed on asphalt in the San Joaquin Valley would serve to further reduce ROG emissions from asphalt and exposure. The impact to nearby sensitive receptors from ROG generation during construction would be less than significant.

#### Construction–NOx, $PM_{10}$ , $PM_{2.5}$ , and CO

As discussed in Impact AIR-2, after incorporation of identified mitigation, emissions of CO generated during project construction have the potential to exceed the Valley Air District maximum daily emission AAQA screening threshold if all three project phases were constructed concurrently. Therefore, emissions during construction could exceed the significance thresholds (in the case of all three phases being constructed concurrently) even after incorporation of mitigation and could result in concentrations that would exceed ambient standards, contribute substantially to an existing exceedance of an ambient air quality standard, or expose sensitive receptors to substantial pollutant concentrations.

#### Construction-Toxic Air Contaminants

Construction of the proposed project would involve the use of diesel-fueled vehicles and equipment that emit diesel particulate matter (DPM), which has been identified by the ARB as a toxic air contaminant (TAC). Construction DPM emissions (PM $_{10}$  exhaust) were estimated using CalEEMod, Version 2016.3.2, as presented under Impact AIR-2. The EIR Table 3.3-15 (Page 3.3-44) summarizes the mitigated emission rates of DPM during the construction of the proposed project, incorporating dust control measures required by District Rule 8021 and implementation of MM AIR-1a and MM AIR-1b. As illustrated in Table 3.3-16 (Draft EIR, Page 3.3-45), unmitigated project construction would result in cancer risks experienced by nearby residents which exceed the Valley Air District's significance threshold of 20 cancer cases per 1 million people. As such, mitigation would be necessary to reduce impacts to nearby residents to less than significant levels.

Table 3.3-16 (Draft EIR, Page 3.3-45) provides the estimated health and hazard impacts from unmitigated construction emissions at the MIRs for each construction phase and sensitive receptor age group using the Hot Spots Analysis and Reporting Program (HARP2). The MIRs for Phase 1 construction were a single-family residence located approximately 1,025 feet east of the project site and Banta Elementary School approximately 2,495 feet east of the project site. The MIRs for Phase 2 construction were a single-family residence located approximately 35 feet east of the project site and Banta Elementary School approximately 1,500 feet east of the project site. The MIRs for Phase 3 construction were a single-family residence located approximately 550 feet southeast of the project site and Banta Elementary School approximately 2,150 feet southeast of the project site. Unmitigated construction emissions with sequential phasing would exceed the Valley Air District's cancer risk health threshold.

The estimates shown in Table 3.3-17 (Draft EIR, Page 3.3-46) include the application of measures required by District Rule 8021 and implementation of MM AIR-1a and MM AIR-1b. As shown therein, the proposed project's construction DPM emissions would not exceed the Valley Air District's cancer risk or chronic non-cancer hazard index thresholds of significance at the maximum impacted receptor for any of the sensitive receptor age groups analyzed assuming that phases are constructed sequentially. Nonetheless, the potential exists for all three project phases to be constructed concurrently, which would substantially increase the daily quantity of DPM emissions generated during project construction. As a result, the health risk impacts associated with project construction where phasing would be concurrent has the potential to generate DPM emissions resulting in cancer risks to nearby residents that exceed the Valley Air District's significance threshold of 20 cases per 1 million people even after incorporation of mitigation. As such, this impact would be significant and unavoidable after mitigation.

#### Operation-Reactive Organic Gas

During operation, ROG would be emitted primarily from consumer products and motor vehicles. MM AIR-1c would require that the proposed project use zero-VOC consumer products during operation. Therefore, nearby sensitive receptors would not be exposed to substantial ROG concentrations during project operations. Direct exposure to ROG from motor vehicles would not result in health effects because the ROG emissions would be distributed across several miles of roadway and in the air. Therefore, the concentrations would not be great enough to result in direct health effects.

## Operation-PM<sub>10</sub>, PM<sub>2.5</sub>, CO, and NO<sub>X</sub>

Emissions during operation of the proposed project could result in emission concentrations that exceed ambient standards, contribute substantially to an existing exceedance of an ambient air quality standard, or expose sensitive receptors to substantial pollutant concentrations.

#### Operation—Toxic Air Contaminants

Operation of the proposed project would involve the operation of heavy-duty, diesel-fueled vehicles that emit DPM, which has been identified by the ARB as a TAC. Table 3.3-18 (Draft EIR, Page 3.3-47–48) summarizes the mitigated emission rates of DPM during operation of the proposed project, incorporating measures required by District Rule 8021 and implementation of MM AIR-1c and MM AIR-1d. The MIRs for Phase 1 operation were a single-family residence located approximately 75 feet north of the project site, Banta Elementary School approximately 2,495 feet east of the project site, and on-site workers.

As shown in Table 3.3-19 (Draft EIR, Page 3.3-48-49), the proposed project's operational DPM emissions during Phase I would not exceed the Valley Air District's cancer risk or chronic non-cancer hazard index thresholds of significance at the maximum impacted receptor for any of the sensitive receptors analyzed. Because of a lack in operational information for Phases 2 and 3 of the proposed project, such as freight product origin, local truck circulation, or other details necessary to perform a site-specific health risk assessment, Phase 1 of the proposed project was the only project phase modeled for health risk and chronic non-cancer hazard impacts. As Phase 1 represents approximately 55 percent of the potential operational trucking impact, although operation of Phase 1 (Tracy Alliance) would not result in a significant impact in this regard, operation at full buildout of the proposed project could have a potentially significant health impact on nearby sensitive receptors, particularly the residential MIRs. The implementation of MM AIR-1d would contribute to the minimization of DPM emissions generated from trucking emissions; however, full implementation of MM AIR-1d cannot be guaranteed. In addition, MM AIR-1e would restrict truck traffic from accessing Grant Line Road east of the project site, where many sensitive receptors are located. MM AIR-1f would restrict on-site vehicle idling to no greater than 3 minutes. MM AIR-1g would require the use of electric on-site on- and off-road equipment in place of non-electric alternatives. MM AIR-1h would require the installation of a vegetated buffer around the project site to reduce the potential off-site dispersion of TACs generated at the project site during operation. MM AIR-1i would require the installation of EV charging stations which meet the Tier 2 standards set forth in Section A5.106.5.3 of Appendix A5 - Nonresidential Voluntary Measures of CALGreen of the 2019 CBC.

In addition, in an effort to further address concerns about truck traffic through the Banta community located east of the project site, the project applicants are willing to voluntarily implement signage along project frontage on Grant Line Road to deter trucks from traveling on Grant Line Road east of the project site, and voluntarily implement routine communications between property managers and tenants to ensure tenant understanding that trucks accessing the project site are prohibited from using Grant Line Road east of the project site. These measures will be incorporated as conditions of approval.

The inclusion of MM AIR-1e, MM AIR-1f, MM AIR-1g, and MM AIR-1i and conditions of approval would help incrementally reduce emissions below those disclosed in this Draft EIR; however, the quantified reductions from these measures cannot be accurately identified at this time. As a result, this impact would be significant and unavoidable after the incorporation of mitigation (Draft EIR, Page 3.3-42–50).

#### Valley Fever

The San Joaquin Valley is considered an endemic area for Valley Fever, caused by inhalation of the spores of the fungus Coccidioides immitis (*C. immitis*). Avoidance, when feasible, of sites favorable for the occurrence of *C. immitis* is a prudent risk management strategy. The project site is relatively undeveloped and is surround by undeveloped, agricultural, industrial, and residential land uses which are semi-rural to urban in character. Because the majority of the project site and the immediately surrounding vicinity consists of urbanized development or cultivated fields, the project site is an area that would lead to a low probability of having *C. immitis* growth sites and exposure from disturbed soil. Furthermore, the proposed project would be required to minimize the generation of fugitive dust during construction activities by complying with District Rule 8021. Therefore, this regulation would ensure that Valley Fever impacts during construction are less than significant. During operations, dust emissions are anticipated to be negligible, and impacts would be less than significant.

The City finds that MM AIR-1a though MM AIR-1i are feasible, are adopted, and will reduce impacts related to sensitive receptors to the extent feasible. The City further finds that no additional mitigation or project alternatives are feasible to further reduce this impact. Accordingly, the City finds that, pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21081(a)(1) and State CEQA Guidelines Section 15091(a)(1), changes or alterations have been required in, or incorporated into, the proposed project that mitigate or reduce the potentially significant impacts as identified in the EIR to the extent feasible. However, impacts associated with air quality would remain significant and unavoidable even with mitigation incorporated.

**Cumulative Impact:** The proposed project's cumulative impacts related to air quality would be significant and unavoidable. (Draft EIR, Page 3.3-55).

#### **Findings:**

Changes or alterations have been required in, or incorporated into, the proposed project which avoid or substantially lessen the significant environmental effects as identified in the EIR (State CEQA Guidelines § 15091(a)(1)). However, impacts would still remain significant and unavoidable even with mitigation incorporated. Specific economic, legal, social, technological, or other considerations, including provision of employment opportunities for highly trained workers, make infeasible the mitigation measure or project alternatives identified in the EIR (State CEQA Guidelines § 15091(a)(3)).

## **Mitigation Measures**

Implement MM AIR-1a through MM AIR-1i.

Facts in Support of Findings: If a project would exceed the identified construction or operational significance thresholds, its emissions would be cumulatively considerable. The Air Basin is in nonattainment for ozone, PM<sub>10</sub>, and PM<sub>2.5</sub>, which means that the background levels of those pollutants are at times higher than the ambient air quality standards and a cumulative air quality impact currently exists for the region. As discussed in Impact AIR-2, MM AIR-1a and MM AIR-1b would reduce the proposed project's impacts related to ozone precursor emissions during construction; however, as discussed in Impact AIR-2, construction emissions for ozone precursors would remain potentially significant after implementation of identified mitigation. In addition, the proposed project could result in a potentially significant impact related to regional emissions of ROGs and NO<sub>x</sub>, both ozone precursor pollutants, during project operation. Moreover, because full implementation of MM AIR-1c and MM AIR-1d cannot be guaranteed, the proposed project could result in a potentially significant localized violation during operation.

After incorporation of identified mitigation and implementation of the required rules and regulations, the proposed project could result in construction and operational emissions which are greater than the respective Valley Air District significance thresholds and could therefore have a cumulatively considerable contribution that is cumulatively significant and unavoidable.

With regard to impacts on sensitive receptors, the DPM emissions from construction of the proposed project could result in significant health impacts if all three project phases are constructed concurrently. The combined operation of the proposed project could result in exposing nearby sensitive receptors to substantial amounts of pollutants. The cumulative impact associated with construction and operation of the proposed project would be cumulatively considerable.

Odor impacts that would be associated with the proposed project would principally be temporary in nature and limited to the combustion of diesel fuels during construction and operation and would not be cumulatively considerable.

The proposed project would result in a cumulatively considerable contribution to significant cumulative air quality and health impacts with respect to consistency with the applicable AQP (Impact AIR-1), cumulative criteria pollutant emissions during both construction and operation (Impact AIR-2) and impacts to sensitive receptors during both construction and operation (Impact AIR-3). (Draft EIR, Page 3.3-54–55).

The City finds that MM AIR-1a though MM AIR-1i are feasible, are adopted, and will reduce cumulative impacts to the extent feasible. The City further finds that no additional mitigation or project alternatives are feasible to further reduce this impact. Accordingly, the City finds that, pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21081(a)(1) and State CEQA Guidelines Section 15091(a)(1), changes or alterations have been required in, or incorporated into, the project that mitigate or reduce the potentially significant impacts as identified in the EIR to the extent feasible. However, cumulative impacts associated with air quality would remain significant and unavoidable even with mitigation incorporated.

## 1.8.3 - Transportation and Traffic

**Impact TRANS-1:** The proposed project would result in a substantial increase in vehicle miles traveled (Draft EIR, Page 3.14-28).

#### **Findings:**

Changes or alterations have been required in, or incorporated into, the proposed project which avoid or substantially lessen the significant environmental effects as identified in the EIR (State CEQA Guidelines § 15091(a)(1)). However, impacts would still remain significant and unavoidable even with mitigation incorporated. Specific economic, legal, social, technological, or other considerations, including provision of employment opportunities for highly trained workers, make infeasible the mitigation measure or project alternatives identified in the EIR (State CEQA Guidelines § 15091(a)(3)).

## **Mitigation Measures**

## MM TRANS-1(a) Transportation Demand Management Measures

Prior to issuance of the first building permit for the relevant individual development proposal, the relevant applicant for the individual development proposal at issue shall submit to the City of Tracy Planning Department a Transportation Demand Management (TDM) program that incorporates all of the following six measures (as explained further in Table 3.14-6 of the Draft EIR):

- 1. Communication and Information Strategies-4 percent reduction;
- 2. Telecommuting for administrative staff (5 percent of staff population)—1 percent reduction;
- 3. Designated parking spaces for carpool vehicles—1 percent reduction;
- 4. Provide a transit stop along the project frontage on Grant Line Road, if agreed to by the City—2 percent reduction;
- 5. Provide bike lanes and sidewalks along the project frontage–1 percent reduction; and
- 6. Provide on-site bike racks and showers—1 percent reduction.

Provided, however, that if the relevant applicant determines that one of more of the foregoing six TDM measures is not feasible in connection with the individual development proposal at issue, then the relevant applicant may obtain approval from the City of Tracy Planning Department of acceptable substitute TDM measure(s) pursuant to Table 3.14-6 of the Draft EIR.

The relevant applicant's TDM program, as described above, shall reflect a 10 percent reduction in VMT for the relevant individual development proposal.

## MM TRANS-1(b) Payment of Applicable Banking Fee

In addition to the TDM program required in MM TRANS-1(a), each applicant for an individual development proposal shall pay the applicable fee as set forth in the adopted VMT Mitigation Banking Fee in place and effective at the time the relevant applicant seeks to obtain building permits for its individual development proposal. Provided, however, that if the City Council has not adopted the Mitigation Banking Fee Program such that it is effective and in place at the time an applicant for an individual development proposal seeks to obtain a building permit, then payment of \$633.11 (cost per VMT reduction for the relevant individual development proposal) shall constitute compliance with this MM TRANS-1(b).

Facts in Support of Findings: The proposed project's potential increase in VMT would result in a significant transportation impact. The EIR, Table 3.14-6, lists the potential TDM measures that could partially mitigate the proposed project's VMT impact and also shows the estimated maximum TDM reduction that each strategy could achieve. Potential strategies include offering telecommuting work schedules, transit subsidies, an employer-sponsored shuttle program, and marketing of TDM strategies. Implementation of MM TRANS-1(a), (b) would require the relevant applicant for each individual development proposal within the project site to implement the identified site-specific TDM measures to feasibly reduce project-generated VMT. The City also is currently working to establish a VMT banking program through which, once adopted, would provide another way to mitigate impacts. The VMT Mitigation Banking Fee Program is a programmatic approach to respond to the need for feasible VMT mitigation programs. The EIR proposes mitigation that enables the relevant applicant of each individual development proposal within the project site to mitigate its respective VMT impact, to the extent feasible, by implementing an approved TDM program and paying the applicable banking fee. Each relevant applicant would need to reduce VMT associated with its individual development proposal that would otherwise occur in connection with implementation of the relevant individual development proposal by 15 percent.

TDM measures are listed on Page 3.14-29 of the EIR. If the relevant applicant for an individual development proposal (1) incorporates the TDM measures into a project-specific TDM program, and (2) pays the applicable banking fee (as discussed further below), this would satisfy MM TRANS-1(a) and MM TRANS-1(b). If TDM measures are not feasible, the relevant applicant may obtain approval from the City of acceptable substitute TDM measure(s) and the applicable banking fee would be adjusted to equate to the required 15 percent reduction.

The applicable fee would be the amount provided for under the Mitigation Banking Fee Program adopted by the City Council and effective at the time the relevant applicant for an individual development proposal within the project site obtained building permits. Provided, however, that if the Council has not adopted the Mitigation Banking Fee Program such that it is effective and in place at the time an applicant for an individual development proposal seeks to obtain a building permit, then payment of \$633.11 (cost per one VMT reduction) shall constitute compliance for the payment component of MM TRANS-1(b).

Even with implementation of the TDM strategies and payment of the applicable banking fee, as discussed above, the proposed project would still be above the City's VMT threshold of 9.4 VMT per employee and this impact would be significant and unavoidable (Draft EIR, Page 3.14-28–32).

The City finds that MM TRANS-1(a) and MM TRANS-1(b) are feasible, are adopted, and will reduce impacts related to VMT to the extent feasible. The City further finds that no additional mitigation or project alternatives are feasible to further reduce this impact. Accordingly, the City finds that, pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21081(a)(1) and State CEQA Guidelines Section 15091(a)(1), changes or alterations have been required in, or incorporated into, the proposed project that mitigate or reduce the potentially significant impacts as identified in the EIR to the extent feasible. However, impacts associated with VMT would remain significant and unavoidable even with mitigation incorporated.

**Cumulative Impact:** The proposed project's cumulative impacts related to transportation and traffic would be significant and unavoidable. (Draft EIR, Page 3.14-54).

## **Findings:**

Changes or alterations have been required in, or incorporated into, the proposed project which avoid or substantially lessen the significant environmental effects as identified in the EIR (State CEQA Guidelines § 15091(a)(1)). However, impacts would still remain significant and unavoidable even with mitigation incorporated. Specific economic, legal, social, technological, or other considerations, including provision of employment opportunities for highly trained workers, make infeasible the mitigation measure or project alternatives identified in the EIR (State CEQA Guidelines § 15091(a)(3)).

## **Mitigation Measures**

Implement MM TRANS-1(a) and MM TRANS-(b).

#### **Facts in Support of Findings**

**VMT** 

Cumulative projects would be required to comply with applicable State and local laws and regulations. If found to result in significant VMT impacts, the cumulative projects would be required to implement feasible TDM measures that would reduce VMT and encourage alternative modes of transportation. Cumulative projects would also be required to include facilities based on future transportation studies prepared for that project and to pay into the City's VMT banking program once established. However, even with implementation of all available feasible mitigation, the cumulative VMT would still exceed City standards and would be significant and unavoidable. The proposed project, in conjunction with other cumulative projects, would have a significant and unavoidable impact with respect to VMT, and the proposed project's contribution would be cumulatively considerable.

#### Roadway Safety and Emergency Access

Trucks used during the construction of cumulative projects would be required to utilize truck routes designated by the City and therefore would not conflict with the automobile traffic and bicycle and pedestrian activity. Local jurisdictions' engineering and planning departments would review project plans prior to construction permits. Cumulative projects would not redesign City streets in such a way that would significantly impact roadway safety, they would be required by the City to mitigate such impacts as feasible. Roadways constructed as part of the cumulative projects would be

constructed to meet then-current applicable City and California Fire Code design standards. Cumulative project driveways and access points would be constructed in compliance with applicable provisions of the California Fire Code and other applicable regulations related to roadway safety and emergency access. Impacts to Roadway Safety and Emergency Access would not be cumulatively considerable.

Transit, Bicycle, and Pedestrian Circulation and Facilities

Each project sponsor for the relevant cumulative project(s) would be required to coordinate with the City and the transit providers to provide alternative transit access. There is only one reasonably foreseeable future project that shares a street with the proposed project. Paradise Road would be realigned with the construction of the I-205 and Chrisman Road Interchange. There are no bicycle or pedestrian facilities provided on Paradise Road along the proposed project frontage or I-205. Therefore, cumulative impacts would be less than significant.

The proposed project would construct a Class I path (that would accommodate both pedestrians and bicycles) to improve pedestrian and bicycle infrastructure. Neither the proposed project nor the I-205 and Chrisman Road Interchange project would remove existing bicycle or pedestrian infrastructure, nor would either make a cumulatively considerable contribution to this less than significant cumulative impact. Therefore, cumulative impacts related to the circulation system in terms of transit, bicycle, and pedestrian facilities would be less than significant. (Draft EIR, Page 3.14-52–54).

The City finds that MM TRANS-1(a) and MM TRANS-1(b) are feasible, are adopted, and will reduce cumulative impacts related to VMT to the extent feasible. The City further finds that no additional mitigation or project alternatives are feasible to further reduce this impact. Accordingly, the City finds that, pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21081(a)(1) and State CEQA Guidelines Section 15091(a)(1), changes or alterations have been required in, or incorporated into, the project that mitigate or reduce the potentially significant impacts as identified in the EIR to the extent feasible. However, cumulative impacts associated with VMT would remain significant and unavoidable even with mitigation incorporated.

# 1.9 - Findings Regarding Alternatives

#### 1.9.1 - Introduction

This section presents findings regarding alternatives to the proposed project. Because not all significant effects could be substantially reduced to a less than significant level by either adoption of feasible mitigation measures or by standard conditions of approval, the EIR considered the feasibility of project alternatives compared to the proposed project. As explained below, these Findings summarize the alternatives studied (as well as the alternatives that were initially considered and then dismissed from further evaluation) and summarizes the basis for rejecting each one of the project alternatives. Further evidence supporting these Findings is set forth in Chapter 5 of the Draft EIR (Alternatives) and in various responses to comments in the Final EIR.

The section provides a summary and discussion of the feasibility of the following alternatives evaluated in the EIR:

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- **No Project (No Build) Alternative:** Under this alternative, development of the project site would not occur, and the project site would remain in its current existing condition.
- Outside Storage Allowable Use Alternative: The Outside Storage Allowable Use Alternative contemplates a reduction in building square footages, an increase in outside storage areas, and the preservation of 25 percent of the existing agricultural operations (approximately 48 acres). This alternative contemplates a combination of "Equipment Storage Yards," which is a Permitted Use under the NEI Specific Plan and/or "Building Materials Sales, Lumberyards (outside storage)," which is a Conditional Use permitted under the NEI Specific Plan. The project site would be developed in such a way to protect some of the on-site Prime Farmland by reducing the overall footprint of the developed areas. The outside storage uses would require less building coverage and the number of employees would be reduced as compared to the proposed project.
- Agricultural Protection Alternative: Under this alternative, the proposed project would be
  developed in such a way as to protect some of the on-site Prime Farmland by reducing the
  overall footprint of the developed areas and providing a buffer for existing residences along
  California Avenue. The northern half (approximately 11 acres) of the Zuriakat parcel would not
  be converted to nonagricultural uses and could remain in agricultural production.

In accordance with CEQA Guidelines Section 15126.6, this City Council finds that the EIR contained a comparative impact assessment of alternatives to the proposed project, which included sufficient information about each alternative to allow meaningful evaluation, analysis, and comparison with the proposed project. The primary purpose of this analysis is to provide decision-makers and interested agencies, organizations and individuals with information about a reasonable range of potentially feasible project alternatives, which could avoid or reduce any of the proposed project's significant adverse environmental effects. The EIR must consider a reasonable range of potentially feasible alternatives that will foster informed decision-making and public participation. An EIR is not required to consider alternatives which are infeasible. The lead agency is responsible for selecting a range of project alternatives for examination and must publicly disclose its reasoning for selecting those alternatives.

Important considerations for this alternatives analysis are noted below:

- An EIR need not consider every conceivable alternative to a project;
- An EIR should identify alternatives that were considered by the lead agency, but rejected as infeasible during the scoping process;
- Reasons for rejecting an alternative include:
  - Failure to meet most of the basic project objectives identified in Section 6.5 of the Draft EIR.
  - Infeasibility; or
  - Inability to avoid significant environmental effects of the proposed project.

When addressing the feasibility of alternatives, the lead agency may take into account a number of factors including site suitability, economic viability, availability of infrastructure, general plan consistency, other plans or regulatory limitations, jurisdictional boundaries (projects with a

regionally significant impact should consider the regional context), and whether the proponent can reasonably acquire, control or otherwise have access to the alternative site (or the site is already owned by the proponent). None of these factors establishes a fixed limit on the scope of reasonable alternatives.

Section 6.3 of the Draft EIR discusses alternatives that were initially considered but then rejected. Regarding alternative locations, CEQA does not require that an analysis of alternate sites always be included in an EIR. Pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15126.6(f)(2), in making the decision to include or exclude analysis of an alternate site, the "key question and first step in analysis is whether any of the significant effects of the project would be avoided or substantially lessened by putting the project in another location. Only locations that would avoid or substantially lessen any of the significant effects of the project need to be considered for inclusion in the EIR."

For purposes of the EIR for the proposed project, alternative locations were initially considered in an effort to identify a site that would not involve the conversion of 188 acres of Prime Farmland; however, for reasons summarized below and explained in the EIR (see Section 6.3) this alternative was ultimately rejected from further consideration. This alternative involves review of the potential to construct a development of similar size and scale as the proposed project at alternative location(s), thereby lessening or avoiding site-specific impacts to Prime Farmland. Under this alternative, the development would need to be located at another large, predominantly vacant property that could meet most of the project proponent's objectives. One key constraint is that the applicant does not own, control, or otherwise have access to any other sites. Nonetheless, potential off-site alternative locations were screened for consideration based on size and zoning/use requirements. The City of Tracy is mostly urbanized so it was assumed that there would be availability of infrastructure should this alternative occur elsewhere within the City. Potential sites within the City of appropriate size generally consisted of other agricultural parcels that are mostly designated as Prime Farmland located along the City's SOI, which would result in similar impacts to agricultural resources as the proposed project and/or increased impacts to other topical areas, and/or would not achieve most of the project objectives. For example, one appropriately sized parcel is located adjacent to Bohn Elementary School and large tracts of residential development. This site was initially considered but rejected as an alternative location because it could potentially result in increased impacts to sensitive receptors, increased traffic congestion due to its proximity to residential areas and distance from transit hubs, as well as increased air quality impacts. This area is also designated as Prime Farmland and thus significant agricultural resource impacts related to conversion of Prime Farmland would still occur. In addition, this area is designated as Urban Reserve in the City's General Plan for potential future residential development as opposed to having a current, specific land use designation (such as Industrial, like the project site). Constructing a similar industrial development on this site would thus be inconsistent with the General Plan (without triggering the need for a GPA) and would have potentially more significant population and housing and land use and planning impacts than the proposed project. In summary, City staff was not able to identify any vacant parcels within the City that are not Prime Farmland, could accommodate an industrial development of similar size and scope of the proposed project, and are zoned/designated for industrial uses. For these reasons, although alternative sites were initially considered, an

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alternative location was therefore eliminated from further discussion in the Draft EIR, consistent with CEQA Guidelines Section 15126.6(c).

This City Council hereby determines that the EIR evaluated a reasonable range of potentially feasible alternatives, which is sufficient to permit informed decision-making and public participation. This City Council recognizes that commenters suggested additional alternatives and stated that additional detail should be provided for the alternatives that were studied. For the reasons set forth in the EIR and other relevant evidence in the administrative record, none of the requested information is necessary to ensure that a reasonable range of alternatives was studied at a sufficient level of detail.

For the reasons documented in the EIR and summarized below, this City Council hereby rejects each of the alternatives and approves the proposed project, based on the specific legal, economic, and other considerations that make each of the below-identified alternatives infeasible.

## Alternative 1: No Project (No Build) Alternative.

## Description

Under the No Project Alternative, the 3,353,320 square feet of warehouse development, infrastructure improvements, I-205/Paradise Road/Chrisman Road interchange, and off-site roadway improvements would not be constructed on the project site and in its vicinity. In this alternative, the project site's existing agricultural uses, outbuildings, two existing single-family homes, and garage would remain; road improvements would not occur; reservation of land for the future interchange would not occur; trees and crops would not be removed or impacted; and grading would not take place. This alternative would not require a General Plan Amendment, prezoning, minor subdivision, or Final Development Plan.

## **Findings**

The No Project Alternative would avoid the majority of the proposed project's significant impacts by leaving the project site in its existing condition, thus avoiding impacts caused by the demolition of on-site buildings, construction of warehouse buildings, infrastructure and off-site improvements, and impacts caused by the operation of the proposed project. However, the No Project Alternative would not advance any of the overall project objectives (Draft EIR, Page 6-7–6-12). Based on the analysis in the EIR and all other relevant evidence in the administrative record before it, this City Council finds that the No Project (No Build) Alternative does not meet any of the project objectives. The City Council rejects this alternative as infeasible.

#### Alternative 2: Outside Storage Allowable Use Alternative.

#### **Description**

Under the Outside Storage Allowable Use Alternative, there would be a reduction in building square footages, an increase in outside storage areas, and the preservation of 25 percent of the existing agricultural operations (approximately 48 acres). This alternative contemplates a combination of "Equipment Storage Yards," which is a Permitted Use under the NEI Specific Plan and/or "Building Materials Sales, Lumberyards (outside storage)," which is a Conditional Use permitted under the NEI Specific Plan. The project site would be developed in such a way to protect some of the on-site Prime Farmland by reducing the overall footprint of the developed areas. The outside storage uses

would require less building coverage, and the number of employees would be reduced as compared to the proposed project.

#### **Findings**

The Outside Storage Allowable Use Alternative would have a lower level of impacts for aesthetics, agriculture and forest resources, air quality, biological resources, cultural resources, energy, GHG emissions, hydrology and water quality, noise, public services, TCRs, utilities and service systems, and wildfire. This is because overall, impacts would be reduced due to a smaller square footage of the buildings and the reduced number of employees. However, although reduced to a certain degree, all significant and unavoidable impacts to Agriculture, Air Quality and Transportation would still occur under this alternative and the identified mitigation measures would still be required under this alternative. Furthermore, this alternative would not meet most of the project objectives at all or to the same degree as the proposed project. For example, employment-generating industrial uses would be significantly less, and this alternative would also only partially meet qualitative objectives related to reducing the commute for regional residents, providing an improved circulation system, and providing public facilities and services such as stormwater drainage improvements (Draft EIR, Page 6-12-6-19). Based on the analysis in the EIR and all other relevant evidence in the administrative record before it, the City Council finds that the Outside Storage Allowable Use Alternative would not eliminate any of the significant and unavoidable impacts, and would not satisfy most of the project objectives at all or to the same degree as the proposed project. This City Council rejects this alternative as infeasible.

## Alternative 3: Agricultural Protection Alternative.

#### Description

Under the Agricultural Protection Alternative, the project site would be developed in such a way to protect some of the on-site Prime Farmland by reducing the overall footprint of the developed areas while maintaining a buffer between existing residences along California Avenue. The northern half (approximately 11 acres) of the Zuriakat parcel would remain in agricultural production.

#### **Findings**

The Agricultural Protection Alternative would reduce to a certain extent those impacts related to ground disturbance by reducing the overall footprint of developed areas, preserving some of the site's Prime Farmland. Additionally, wildfire impacts (which are already considered to be "no impact") would be further reduced under this alternative because the overall footprint of the developed areas would be reduced. However, while it would result in some degree of reduction, it would not eliminate any of the significant and unavoidable impacts with respect to agricultural resources, air quality, or transportation, and the identified mitigation measures would still be required. While this alternative would meet, to a certain degree, some of the project objectives related to employment opportunities, reducing the commute for regional residents, providing an efficient circulation system, and providing public facilities and services, such as stormwater drainage improvements, this alternative would not achieve these objectives to the same degree as the proposed project. Moreover, reducing the size of the warehouse and distribution buildings would reduce the amount of employment-generating industrial uses, thereby not facilitating the achievement of the City's General Plan objectives related to employment growth and expanding the

City's industrial base to the same degree as the proposed project (Draft EIR, Page 6-19–6-25). Based on the analysis in the EIR and all other relevant evidence in the administrative record before it, this City Council finds that the Agricultural Protection Alternative would not eliminate significant and unavoidable impacts and would not achieve most of the project objectives at all or to the same degree as the proposed project. This City Council rejects this alternative as infeasible.

## **Environmentally Superior Alternative**

Section 15126.6(e)(2) of the State CEQA Guidelines requires that an analysis of alternatives to a proposed project shall identify an environmentally superior alternative among the alternatives evaluated in an EIR. If the No Project Alternative is the environmentally superior alternative—which is the case here, as it avoids all significant project impacts, but fails to satisfy any of the project objectives—the EIR must also identify another environmentally superior alternative among the remaining alternatives.

Each of the three project alternatives would lessen the environmental impacts relative to the proposed project to a certain degree (as summarized above and further described in the EIR). Overall, based on these Findings, the Outside Storage Allowable Use Alternative (Alternative 2) would be considered the environmentally superior alternative because it has the potential to yield the greatest reductions in the severity of the proposed significant and unavoidable impacts and would preserve approximately 48 acres of the existing agricultural operations including Prime Farmland. However, this alternative fails to eliminate any of the significant and unavoidable impacts, and would also not achieve most of the project objectives at all or to the same degree as the proposed project. For example, it would substantially reduce the employment-generating opportunity objective as it would not provide as many local and regional employment opportunities to take advantage of the project site's high level of accessibility; it would not allow for the expansion of the City's economic base to the same degree; nor would it help improve the jobs/housing balance and reduce the commute for regional residents to the same degree. (Draft EIR, Page 6-25-6-27). Based on the analysis in the EIR and all other relevant evidence in the administrative record before it, the City Council finds that, while identified as environmentally superior, this alternative would not eliminate any significant and unavoidable impacts and would not achieve most of the project objectives at all or to the same degree as the proposed project. The City Council rejects this alternative as infeasible.

# 1.10 - Findings Regarding Cumulative Impacts

Consistent with CEQA's requirements, the EIR includes a thoughtful analysis of cumulative impacts. As summarized above in Sections 1.5 through 1.7 and as analyzed in the EIR, except as to cumulative impacts related to the conversion of Farmland, air quality emissions and VMT impacts, all other cumulative impacts associated with the proposed project would be less than significant with, for example, the implementation of applicable laws and regulations (including new and revised General Plan Update policies and implementing actions) and for the other reasons documented in the EIR's relevant sections. The proposed project's contribution to the less than significant cumulative impacts would not be cumulatively considerable. Cumulative agricultural, air quality and VMT impacts would remain significant and unavoidable even with incorporation of all available feasible mitigation. As

discussed in Section 1.8, the proposed project would have a cumulatively considerable impact related to air quality and transportation. These impacts are considered cumulatively significant and unavoidable. No feasible project alternatives would reduce these impacts while meeting most of project objectives.

# 1.11 - Findings Regarding Growth Inducement

State CEQA Guidelines Section15126.2(e) requires a discussion of the ways in which a proposed project could foster economic or population growth, or the construction of additional housing, either directly or indirectly, in the surrounding environment. Typical growth-inducing factors might be the extension of urban services or transportation infrastructure to a previously unserved or underserved area, or the removal of major barriers to development.

Because the proposed project is industrial in nature and would not develop single-family or multifamily residential uses, no direct population growth would be expected to occur. In terms of the removal of any direct barriers to growth, this would not occur as a result of the project because the proposed project would not remove any existing obstacles that currently prevent growth within the City. For example, the proposed project would not require expansion of existing water, wastewater and public facilities and services beyond what was already planned for in the General Plan, NEI Specific Plan, and relevant City and other public agency master infrastructure plans. The utility infrastructure installed as part of the proposed project would be sized and located expressly to serve the proposed project and would not, therefore, induce growth in the project vicinity. Therefore, because the proposed project does not involve housing, nor would it remove any direct barriers to growth, the proposed project would not directly increase population.

Once operational, the proposed project at full buildout is expected to employ up to approximately 1,871 people on-site for daily operation. Given the nature of the proposed uses, it is anticipated that the employees would come primarily from the local job market and therefore would not likely trigger significant additional housing development to serve these employees, and the proposed project would help to support the City's jobs-to-housing ratio goal of 1.5 as established by the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD). The current ratio is 1.3. Furthermore, the project site is within the City's existing SOI and has been designated by the General Plan for industrial uses and therefore, the City has anticipated this growth in employment opportunities that would result from the proposed project. Infrastructure and services would be expanded to serve the proposed project, but would not require expansion of existing water, wastewater and other facilities and services beyond what was already planned for in the General Plan and relevant City master infrastructure plans, and thus would not encourage additional unplanned growth. For these reasons, implementation of the proposed project would not induce substantial indirect population growth within the City.

The proposed project would employ approximately 1,871 people at full buildout, representing approximately 30 percent of the City's forecasted employment growth between 2020-2045.<sup>3</sup> As

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discussed above, the proposed project's contribution to employment in the City is consistent with the forecasted employment anticipated in the General Plan.

According to the U.S. Census data, it is estimated that approximately 45,000 of the City's residents are employed. In addition, the average travel time to work for Tracy's employed residents is 44.5 minutes, indicating that most residents probably travel out of the City to work. The General Plan assumes employment growth to improve the jobs-to-housing balance to provide more employment opportunities for the City's residents. Therefore, it is reasonably foreseeable that many of the employees of the project would come from the labor pool within Tracy, and the proposed project, combined with other planned cumulative projects would not induce unplanned indirect population growth. (Final EIR, Page 3-99–100) For these reasons, this City Council finds there would be no adverse cumulative growth-inducing impacts.

Accordingly, this City Council finds that the proposed project would not result in unplanned direct, indirect or cumulative growth that would negatively alter the existing jobs/housing balance, or be inconsistent with the General Plan, the NEI Specific Plan, or relevant City or other public agency master infrastructure plans (Draft EIR, Page 5-3–5-4).

## 1.12 - Findings Regarding Significant Irreversible Environmental Changes

According to Sections 15126(c) and 15126.2(d) of the State CEQA Guidelines, the lead agency shall address any significant irreversible environmental changes that would occur should the proposed project be implemented. Generally, a project would result in significant irreversible environmental changes if any of the following would occur:

- The proposed project would involve a large commitment of nonrenewable resources;
- The primary and secondary impacts of the proposed project would generally commit future generations to similar uses;
- The proposed project involves uses in which irreversible damage could result from any potential environmental accidents; or
- The proposed consumption of resources are not justified.

The proposed project involves construction and operation of multiple light industrial, warehouse and distribution uses and related improvements and ancillary uses (e.g., office), which at buildout, would total approximately 3,352,320 square feet. As described more fully in the EIR, Chapter 2, Project Description, three warehouse and distribution buildings and related improvements are proposed for the Tracy Alliance parcels, totaling approximately 1,849,500 square feet. With respect to the Suvik Farms and Zuriakat parcels, there are no current development proposals; therefore, for purposes of a conservative analysis, it is assumed that at buildout, these parcels would be developed with approximately 1,502,820 square feet, consistent with the maximum allowable density per acre identified in the NEI Specific Plan. Other project components would include the construction of an approximately 12.44-acre stormwater detention basin with a pump station, as already envisioned in the current City of Tracy Citywide Storm Drainage Master Plan. Existing trees and ornamental plants associated with existing residential uses and all crops would be removed as part of the proposed

project. The proposed project would be developed within the NEI Specific Plan area (as amended to include the adjacent project site), which would help ensure the efficient, cohesive construction and operation of the proposed project near other similar, compatible uses.

Construction would include the use of building materials, such as petroleum-based products and metals, which cannot reasonably be recreated. Construction also would involve significant consumption of energy, consisting predominantly of petroleum-based fuels that deplete supplies of nonrenewable resources. Construction of structures, other improvements and infrastructure would also consume energy and water.

However, construction debris recycling practices would be expected to result in the recovery and reuse of building materials such as concrete, lumber, and steel; these practices would also limit disposal of these materials, some of which are nonrenewable. Additionally, construction equipment would have to meet applicable Valley Air District standards as described in the EIR, Section 3.3, Air Quality. The EIR, Section 3.6, Energy, addresses energy consumption during construction and explains in more detail why impacts would be less than significant in this regard.

Once construction is complete, land uses associated with the proposed project would use some nonrenewable fuels to heat and light structures. New industrial uses would be required to adhere to the latest adopted edition of the California Green Building Standards Code (CALGreen), which includes a number of standards and features (viewed as some of the most stringent requirements in the country) that would reduce energy demand, water consumption, and wastewater and solid waste generation that would collectively conserve and reduce the demand for resources. This would result in reduced emissions and the generation of less pollution and effluent and lessen the severity of corresponding environmental effects. Although the proposed project would result in an irretrievable commitment of nonrenewable resources and water for irrigation and plumbing, these would not be consumed inefficiently, unnecessarily, or wastefully. Furthermore, the proposed industrial uses do not have the potential to cause significant environmental accidents through releases into the environment, as they would not involve large quantities of hazardous materials (see Section 3.9, Hazards and Hazardous Materials). Future tenants/operators would be required to submit a HMBP to San Joaquin Environmental Health for review and approval if the tenants/operators intend to store significant amounts of hazardous materials on-site. According to the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE), there are no Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zones in San Joaquin County, and therefore none in the project site. Because the project site has not previously experienced wildfire and is not located in or near an area of steep terrain or historical wildfire burn, nor does it experience consistent high winds, the project site would not be prone to wildfire risk (see Draft EIR, Section 3.17, Wildfire). In addition, existing fire protection facilities would be adequate to serve the project site, and the proposed project would not result in a significant impact related to need for new or altered fire protection facilities. Thus, implementation of the proposed project's industrial uses would not have the potential to result in significant environmental accidents related to wildfire hazards and would not result in significant irreversible environmental changes (Draft EIR, Page 5-4-5-5). Furthermore, the proposed project would be located directly adjacent to a developed urbanized area, including major transportation corridors, and would accommodate bicycle and pedestrian access for the project vicinity as well as

transit improvements and other TDM measures, which would also help to ensure that it would not result in the inefficient, wasteful, or unnecessary consumption of transportation energy during operational activities.

# 1.13 - Statement of Overriding Considerations

The City of Tracy is the lead agency under CEQA for the preparation, review, and certification of the EIR for the proposed project. As the lead agency, the City is also responsible for determining the potential environmental impacts of the proposed action, which of those impacts are significant, and which impacts can be mitigated through imposition of feasible mitigation measures to avoid or minimize such impacts to a level of less than significant.

If significant and unavoidable impacts are identified, then CEQA requires that a lead agency balance the benefits of a project against its unavoidable adverse environmental risk(s) in determining whether to approve the project.

In particular, Public Resources Code Section 21081(a) and CEQA Guidelines Section 15093(a) provide that no public agency may approve or carry out a project for which an environmental impact report has been certified that identifies one or more significant effects on the environment that would occur if the project is approved or carried out, unless the public agency makes one or more of three findings with respect to each significant effect. Public Resources Code Section 21081(b) requires that where a public agency finds that specific economic, legal, social, technological, or other considerations, including considerations for the provision of employment opportunities for highly trained workers, make infeasible the mitigation measures or alternatives identified in the environmental impact report, then the public agency must find that specific overriding economic, legal, social, technological, or other benefits of the project outweigh the significant effects on the environment.

Where the lead agency finds that the economic, legal, social, technological, or other benefits, including region-wide or Statewide environmental benefits, of a project outweigh the unavoidable adverse effects, those effects may be considered "acceptable" pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21081(b) and CEQA Guidelines Section 15093(a). CEQA requires that a lead agency support, in writing, the specific reasons for considering a project acceptable when significant impacts are infeasible to mitigate. Those reasons must be based on substantial evidence in the EIR or elsewhere in the administrative record pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15093(b). The lead agency's written reasons are referred to as a Statement of Overriding Considerations. If the lead agency makes a Statement of Overriding Considerations, the statement should be included in the record of the project approval and should be mentioned in the notice of determination. This statement does not substitute for, and shall be in addition to, findings required pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15091.

As explained in the above Findings of Fact, most of the proposed project's impacts on the environment would either be insignificant or, through the incorporation of mitigation measures as enforceable conditions of approval of the proposed project, can be reduced to less than significant. However, as set forth in Section 1.7 above, the following impacts would remain significant and

unavoidable even with implementation of all feasible mitigation measures, or where no mitigation measures are feasible. Specifically, the EIR (see, e.g., Section 6.2) identified the following unavoidable adverse impacts of the proposed project:

- Project-Level Conversion of Prime Farmland;
- Cumulative Conversion of Prime Farmland;
- Project-Level Impact Related to Implementation of the Applicable Air Quality Plan;
- Project-Level Impact Related to Cumulatively Considerable Net Increase of ROG and carbon monoxide (CO) During Construction, and ROG and oxides of nitrogen (NO<sub>X</sub>) During Operation;
- Project-Level Impact Related to Exposing Sensitive Receptors to Substantial Pollutant Concentrations;
- Cumulative Air Quality Impact;
- Project-Level VMT Impact; and
- Cumulative VMT Impact.

Further, as summarized in Section 1.8 above and discussed more fully in the EIR, three alternatives to the proposed project were analyzed to determine whether these alternative(s) could avoid or substantially lessen the unavoidable environment impacts of the proposed project. While the No Project Alternative would avoid all of the significant and unavoidable impacts, it would not meet any of the project objectives. With respect to the Outside Storage Allowable Use Alternative, impacts for a number of environmental topic areas would be lessened to a certain degree (including the unavoidable impacts), although this Alternative would not avoid any of the significant and unavoidable impacts and would not meet most of the project objectives at all or to the same degree as the proposed project. Similarly, the Agricultural Protection Alternative would reduce to a certain extent those impacts related to ground disturbance by reducing the overall footprint of developed areas. However, while it would result in some degree of reduction of impacts, it would not eliminate any of the significant and unavoidable impacts with respect to agricultural resources, air quality or transportation, and would not meet most of the project objectives at all or to the same degree as the proposed project. Accordingly, for the reasons set forth in these Findings and Section 5 of the Draft EIR, there are no feasible alternatives to the proposed project.

As required under Public Resources Code Section 21081 and CEQA Guidelines Section 15093, this City Council, having reviewed and considered the EIR, all other written materials within the administrative record, and all oral testimony presented at public hearings and other public meetings on the EIR and the merits of the proposed project, has balanced the benefits of the proposed project against the identified unavoidable adverse impacts associated with the proposed project, and hereby adopts all feasible mitigation measures with respect to such impacts, certifies the EIR, and approves the proposed project. This City Council has also examined the alternatives to the proposed project, none of which is feasible, meets most of the project objectives, or is environmentally preferable to the proposed project for the reasons discussed in Section 1.8 above and the EIR.

Accordingly, as set forth below, the City Council hereby declares that pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21081 and CEQA Guidelines Section 15093, the following benefits of the proposed project outweigh the identified significant adverse environmental impacts of the proposed project that cannot be mitigated. The City Council finds that having reduced the adverse significant environmental effects of the proposed project to the extent feasible by adopting the mitigation measures contained in the EIR, the MMRP, and these Findings, having considered the entire administrative record on the proposed project, and having weighed the benefits of the proposed project against its unavoidable adverse impacts after mitigation, each of the following social, economic, and environmental benefits of the proposed project separately and individually outweigh the potential unavoidable adverse impacts and render those adverse environmental impacts acceptable based upon the following overriding considerations:

- Completion and operation of the proposed project would employ approximately 1,871 people creating local and regional employment opportunities that improve the jobs-to-housing ratio and expand economic opportunities in the City.
- The proposed project would create a substantial number of temporary and permanent jobs during both construction and operation consistent with the skills and availability of the local workforce and assist in fulfilling the City's priorities for future growth anticipated by the General Plan.
- At buildout, the proposed project would generate significant tax revenue for the City's benefit.
- The location of the proposed project would provide a high level of accessibility and reduce the commute for regional residents, promoting the planned, orderly, efficient development of the area.
- The proposed project would provide an efficient circulation system and facilitate a future planned interchange at Paradise Road and I-205 through the dedication of land.
- The proposed project would improve mobility and provide bicycle and pedestrian connections
  by constructing a Class I bicycle path to accommodate both pedestrians and bicycles per the
  TMP for both Grant Line Road and Paradise Road. These connections would ultimately provide
  access to the nearest transit facility; thereby improving access to alternative transportation.
- The proposed project would maximize the utility of its location and infrastructure to develop industrial uses in a manner that would promote land use patterns that reduce the number and length of motor vehicle trips and reduce VMT impacts consistent with the City's planned industrial vision.
- The proposed project would promote the sustainability and energy conservation policies contained in the Tracy Sustainability Action Plan.

For the foregoing reasons and as otherwise supported by substantial evidence in the administrative record, this City Council hereby adopts this Statement of Overriding Considerations, which has balanced the benefits of the proposed project against its significant and unavoidable adverse impacts in reaching a decision to approve the proposed project.

## **Custodian of Record; Scope and Content of Record**

The documents and materials that constitute the record of proceedings on which this Resolution has been based are located at the following:

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This information is provided in compliance with Public Resources Code Section 21081.6.

Various documents, information, testimony, reports, studies, analyses and other materials (both oral and written) constitute the record upon which the City Council bases these Findings and the basis for the City Council's approval and/or adoption contained herein. These Findings cite specific pieces of evidence, but none of the City Council's findings is based solely on those cited pieces of evidence. Rather, these Findings are based upon the entire record for the proposed project, and the City Council intends to rely upon all supporting evidence in the record for each of its conclusions contained herein.

For purposes of CEQA and these findings, the documents and materials in the administrative record for the proposed project include, but shall not be limited to, all items referenced in Public Resources Code Section 21167.6(e):

- (i) All project application materials;
- (ii) The proposed project's EIR (consisting of the Draft EIR, the Final EIR, and all appendices attached thereto);
- (iii) All staff reports (including all attachments thereto) and related documents prepared by the lead agency and/or consultants with respect to the lead agency's compliance with the substantive and procedural requirements of this division and with respect to the action on the proposed project;
- (iv) All staff reports (including all attachments thereto) and related documents prepared by the lead agency and written testimony or documents submitted by any person relevant to any Findings or Statement of Overriding Considerations adopted by the lead agency pursuant to this division;
- (v) All documentary and oral evidence received and reviewed at public hearings, public meetings, study sessions, and workshops on the EIR, and any transcript(s) or minutes of the proceedings at which any advisory body or decision-making body heard testimony on, or considered the EIR;
- (vi) All notices issued by the lead agency to comply with this division or with any other law governing the processing and approval of the proposed project;

- (vii) All written comments received in response to, or in connection with, the EIR, including responses to the NOP and comments on the Draft EIR;
- (viii) All written evidence or correspondence submitted to, or transferred from, the lead agency with respect to compliance with this division or with respect to the proposed project;
- (ix) Any proposed decisions or findings submitted to the decision-makers by lead agency staff, or the project proponents, project opponents, or other interested agencies, organizations and/or individuals;
- (x) The documentation of the final decision, including certification of the EIR and all documents and materials, in addition to those referenced in paragraph (c), cited or relied on in the Findings or in a Statement of Overriding Considerations adopted pursuant to this division;
- (xi) For documentary and informational purposes, all locally-adopted land use plans and ordinances, including, without limitation, general plans, specific plans and ordinances, master plans together with environmental review documents, findings, mitigation monitoring programs, and other documentation relevant to planned growth in the area;
- (xii) Any other written materials relevant to the lead agency's compliance with this division or to its decision on the merits of the proposed project, including any drafts of any environmental document or portions thereof, which have been released for public review, and copies of studies or other documents relied upon in any environmental document prepared for the proposed project and either made available to the public during the public review period or included in the lead agency's files on the proposed project, and all internal agency communications, including staff notes and memoranda related to the project or to compliance with this division;
- (xiii) The full written record before any inferior administrative decision-making body whose decision was appealed to a superior administrative decision-making body prior to the filing of litigation; and
- (xiv) Any additional items not included above if otherwise required by law.

The EIR is incorporated into these Findings in its entirety. Without limitation, this incorporation is intended to elaborate on the scope and nature of mitigation measures, the basis for determining the significance of impacts, the comparative analysis of alternatives, and the reasons for approving the project despite the potential for associated significant and unavoidable adverse impacts.

## **Recirculation Not Required**

During the public review period after the Draft EIR was published, the City of Tracy received certain additional information that is not included in the Draft EIR. City of Tracy staff and consultants involved in preparing the various studies, reports and analyses included in the EIR have also presented additional information since the publication of the Draft EIR. Some of this information was contained in comments submitted on the Draft EIR, and in responses to those comments contained in the Final EIR. Other information was presented at or before public meetings/hearings on the EIR. The EIR, as well as other aspects of the administrative record, incorporates additions, clarifications,

modifications, and other changes, in response to comments and as determined appropriate by lead agency staff and required under CEQA.

This City Council has considered all relevant information including, without limitation, the opinions and comments of interested agencies, organizations and individuals. This includes opinions that disagree with some of the analysis and conclusions in the EIR. As noted above, the entirety of the EIR is incorporated into these Findings by reference. This City Council hereby ratifies, adopts and incorporates into these Findings the determinations and conclusions of the EIR relating to the proposed project's environmental impacts and mitigation measures.

Having reviewed all of the information in the administrative record, this City Council finds that this additional information does not constitute significant new information requiring recirculation. The additional information merely clarifies or amplifies an adequate EIR. Specifically, this additional information, including the changes described herein and in the Final EIR, does not show any of the following situations requiring recirculation identified in CEQA Guideline Section 15088.5 have occurred:

- 1. A new significant environmental impact that would result from the project (or any alternative) or from a new mitigation measure proposed to be implemented.
- 2. A substantial increase in the severity of an environmental impact would result unless mitigation measures are adopted that reduce the impact to a level of insignificance.
- 3. A feasible project alternative or mitigation measure considerably different from others previously analyzed would clearly lessen the significant environmental impacts of the project (or an alternative), but the project's proponents decline to adopt it.
- 4. The Draft EIR was so fundamentally and basically inadequate and conclusory in nature that meaningful public review and comment were precluded.
- 5. Based on the foregoing and as explained in more detail in the Final EIR, and having reviewed all the information in the record of proceedings, the City Council hereby finds that this additional information does not constitute significant new information nor does it require recirculation of the Draft EIR. The additional information merely clarifies or amplifies an adequate EIR.



City of Tracy—Tracy Alliance Project CEQA Findings of Fact and Statement of Overriding Considerations
Appendix A:
Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program



# **FIRSTCARBONSOLUTIONS™**

Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program
for the
Tracy Alliance Project
Environmental Impact Report
City of Tracy, San Joaquin County, California

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## **PREFACE**

Pursuant to the Public Resources Code Section 21081.6 of the California Environmental Quality Act and CEQA Guidelines Section 15097 (collectively, "CEQA"), the City of Tracy (Lead Agency) hereby finds that the mitigation measures set forth in this Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program (MMRP) for the Tracy Alliance Project (proposed project) will reduce or avoid the identified potentially significant impacts of the proposed project to the extent feasible for the reasons described in the Tracy Alliance Project Environmental Impact Report (EIR) and as otherwise documented in the materials that make up the proposed project's administrative record. The Lead Agency intends for each of the mitigation measures to be adopted as recommended in the EIR, and incorporated into conditions of approval for the purpose of ensuring compliance during project implementation.

In the event of any inconsistencies between the mitigation measures set forth in the EIR and MMRP, the MMRP shall control. In the event of any inconsistencies between the Standard Conditions of Approval imposed on the proposed project set forth by the City of Tracy and the MMRP, the MMRP shall control.

The EIR prepared for the proposed project concluded that project implementation could result in significant effects on the environment and feasible mitigation measures have been identified as set forth in this MMRP and which will be incorporated as enforceable conditions of project approval that would reduce these potential impacts to a less than significant level to the extent feasible. This MMRP documents how and when the mitigation measures adopted by the Lead Agency will be implemented and confirms that identified, potentially significant environmental impacts would be reduced to less than significant levels to the extent feasible as identified in the EIR.

This document does not discuss those environmental topic areas that the environmental analysis set forth in the Tracy Alliance Project EIR (along with other materials in the administrative record) has determined there would result in less than significant impacts and thus for which no mitigation is necessary.



**Table 1: Tracy Alliance Project Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program** 

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3.2 Agriculture and Forestry Resources					
MM AG-1: Payment of Agricultural Mitigation Fees At the time of issuance of building permits for each individual development proposal, the relevant applicant(s) for the subject development proposal shall pay the applicable Agriculture Mitigation Fee in accordance with Chapter 13.28 of the Municipal Code.	Verify payment of Agricultural Mitigation Fee.	At the time of issuance of building permits for each individual development proposal.	City of Tracy.		
3.3 Air Quality					
MM AIR-1a: NO <sub>x</sub> Reduction Measures Prior to the issuance of grading permits for each individual development proposal within the project site, the relevant applicant for each development proposal shall provide documentation to the City of Tracy demonstrating the following NO <sub>x</sub> reduction measures would be adhered to during construction activities for the relevant development proposal:  • For all construction equipment and vehicles used during project construction that are equal to or greater than 250 horsepower, the contractor shall use construction equipment and vehicles that meet the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Tier 4 Final engine standards; • For all construction equipment and vehicles used during project construction that are less than 250 horsepower, the contractor shall use electric construction equipment and vehicles to the extent feasible, with the exception of handheld generator sets; and • All generator sets utilized during project construction shall be limited to 5 horsepower and shall only be used to power handheld power tools.	Review project construction plans and equipment lists.	Prior to issuance of grading permits for each individual development proposal within the project site.	City of Tracy.		

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The construction contractor shall maintain reasonable records concerning its efforts to comply with this requirement, including equipment lists. Documentation that each relevant applicant provides to the City shall include, but is not limited to, equipment type, equipment manufacturer, equipment identification number, engine model year, engine certification (Tier rating), horsepower, and engine serial number.					
MM AIR-1b: "Super-Compliant" Architectural Coatings Prior to the issuance of grading permits for each individual development proposal within the project site, the relevant applicant for each development shall provide the City with documentation demonstrating the use of "Super-Compliant" architectural coatings, as defined by the South Coast Air Quality Management District (South Coast AQMD), during construction of the proposed project. "Super-Compliant" architectural coatings, as defined by the South Coast AQMD, are paints which do not exceed 10 grams of reactive organic gas (ROG) per liter of paint.	Review project design plans.	Prior to the issuance of grading permits for each individual development proposal within the project site.	City of Tracy.		
MM AIR-1c: "Zero-VOC" Consumer Products  Prior to issuance of building permits for each individual development proposal within the project site, the relevant applicant for each development shall provide the City with documentation requiring the consumer products purchased by the building occupant(s) or by the cleaning business contracted by the building occupant(s) for each on-site use shall consist of water-based or "zero volatile organic compound [VOC]" consumer products, to the maximum extent feasible. "Consumer products," as referred to in this mitigation measure, shall include detergents, cleaning compounds, polishes, and floor finishes. "Consumer products," as referred to in this mitigation measure, shall not	Verify inclusion in project specifications; conduct site inspection.	Prior to issuance of building permits	City of Tracy.		

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include parking lot degreasers, architectural coatings, pesticides, or fertilizers.					
Prior to the issuance of the certificate of occupancy for each individual development proposal within the project site, the relevant applicant for the subject individual development proposal shall provide the City with reasonable documentation demonstrating the use of a clean truck fleet that meets the California Air Resources Board's adopted 2013 Optional Low-NOX Standard of 0.02 gram of nitrogen oxide (NO <sub>X</sub> ) per brake horsepower-hour for all heavy-duty trucks during operation of the proposed project, to the maximum extent feasible. If the relevant applicant does not own the truck fleet that will be used during operation of the subject individual development, the relevant applicant shall provide the City with reasonable documentation from the truck fleet owner demonstrating that trucks utilized for operation of the subject individual development will meet the California 2013 Optional Low-NO <sub>X</sub> Standard, to the maximum extent feasible. If any change occurs where a new truck fleet is utilized during operation of the subject individual development, the relevant applicant shall provide the City with reasonable documentation demonstrating that the new truck fleet meets the California 2013 Optional Low-NO <sub>X</sub> Standard of 0.02 gram per brake horsepower-hour, to the maximum extent feasible.	Verify inclusion in project specifications.	Prior to issuance of the certificate of occupancy for each individual development proposal within the project site.	City of Tracy.		
MM AIR-1e: Operational Truck Fleet Routing Prior to the issuance of the certificate of occupancy for each individual development proposal within the project site, the relevant applicant for the subject individual development proposal shall provide the City with reasonable documentation demonstrating that trucks used during project operation for the subject individual development proposal will be prohibited from accessing Grant Line Road east of the	Review truck fleet routing plans.	Prior to issuance of the certificate of occupancy for each individual development proposal within the project site.	City of Tracy.		

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project site, such as plans illustrating intended truck routes. All trucks used during project operation shall use routes that circumvent the use of Grant Line Road east of the project site.					
MM AIR-1f: Idling Limitation Prior to the issuance of the certificate of occupancy for each individual development proposal within the project site, the relevant applicant for the subject individual development proposal shall provide the City with reasonable documentation demonstrating that on-site truck idling during project operation for the subject individual development proposal shall be limited to no greater than 3 minutes. The documentation provided to the City shall include photos or a map of signage posted in strategic locations on-site identifying that truck idling does not exceed 3 minutes. The signage shall include a phone number to contact at the facility regarding idling violation complaints, and corrective action shall occur within 48 hours of receipt of the complaint.	Review documentation and on-site signage demonstrating that on- site truck idling shall be limited to no greater than 3 minutes.	Prior to the issuance of the certificate of occupancy for each individual development proposal within the project site.	City of Tracy.		
MM AIR-1g: Electric On-Site Off-Road and On-Road Equipment Prior to the issuance of the certificate of occupancy for each individual development proposal within the project site, the relevant applicant for the subject individual development proposal shall provide the City with reasonable documentation demonstrating that all on-site off-road and on-road equipment to be used during project operation of the subject individual development proposal will be electric-powered. On-site off-road and on-road equipment shall include, but are not limited to, forklifts and pallet jacks.	Review construction plans.	Prior to the issuance of the certificate of occupancy for each individual development proposal within the project site.	City of Tracy.		
MM AIR-1h: Vegetated Project Site Buffer Prior to the issuance of building permit(s) for each individual development proposal within the project site, the relevant applicant for the subject individual development proposal shall demonstrate on their site plans the inclusion of a	Review project design plans.	Prior to the issuance of building permit(s) for each individual development	City of Tracy.		

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vegetative buffer along the eastern property line of the project site adjacent to sensitive receptors. Examples of vegetative buffers may include, but are not limited to, trees, bushes, shrubs, or a mix thereof.		proposal within the project site.			
MM AIR-1i: Tier 2 CALGreen Electric Vehicle Charging Infrastructure  Prior to the issuance of building permit(s) for each individual development proposal within the project site, the relevant applicant for the subject individual development proposal shall provide the City with reasonable documentation (e.g., shown on-site plans) showing that the proposed parking areas for passenger automobiles and trucks for project operation of the subject individual development proposal are designed and will be built to include electric vehicle (EV) charging stations. At a minimum, the parking shall be designed to include a number of EV charging stations equal to the Tier 2 Nonresidential Voluntary Measures of the California Green Building Standards Code, Section A5.106.5.3.2.	Review documentation (e.g., shown on-site plans) showing that the proposed parking areas for passenger automobiles and trucks are designed and will be built to include EV charging stations.	Prior to the issuance of building permits(s) for each individual development proposed within the project site.	City of Tracy.		
3.4 Biological Resources					
<ul> <li>MM BIO-1a: Song Sparrow and Tricolored Blackbird</li> <li>Mitigation</li> <li>Implementation of the following avoidance and minimization measures would avoid or minimize potential effects to song sparrow and tricolored blackbird as a result of project implementation within the Zuriakat parcel in and adjacent to the project site. These measures shall be implemented for construction work that occurs during the nesting season (February 1 through August 31):</li> <li>If construction or habitat removal is proposed during the breeding/nesting season (typically February 1 through August 31), a qualified Biologist shall conduct preconstruction surveys for song sparrow and tricolored</li> </ul>	If construction occurs within the Zuriakat parcel during the nesting season (February 1 – August 31), conduct preconstruction site inspection.	No more than 7 days prior to the start of ground-disturbing activities within the Zuriakat parcel during the nesting season (February 1 – August 31).	City of Tracy.		

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blackbird within potential nesting habitat of the construction area, (special attention should be paid to the cattail marsh within the Zuriakat parcel) including a 500-foot survey buffer for tricolored blackbird and a 75-foot survey buffer for song sparrow, no more than 7 days prior to the start of ground-disturbing activities in the construction area. If no active nests are detected within the construction area on the project site or within the relevant buffer survey area, then no additional measures are required.  If an active nest is located during pre-construction surveys, the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) (as appropriate) shall be notified (as appropriate) regarding the status of the nest. A setback of 500 feet (for tricolored blackbird) and 75 feet (for song sparrow) shall be established and maintained during the nesting season for the period encompassing nest building and continuing until fledglings leave nests. This setback applies whenever construction or other ground-disturbing activities must begin during the nesting season in the presence of nests which are known to be occupied. Furthermore, construction activities shall be restricted in the construction area as necessary to avoid disturbance of the nest until it is abandoned, or a qualified Biologist deems disturbance potential to be minimal. Restrictions shall include consultation with a qualified Biologist to determine appropriate buffer zones or alteration of the construction schedule in the relevant area.  A qualified Biologist shall delineate the buffer using nest buffer signs, environmentally sensitive area fencing, pin flags, and/or flagging tape. The buffer zone shall be maintained around the active nest site(s) until the young have fledged and are foraging independently.						

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MM BIO-1b: Swainson's Hawk Foraging: Prior to any activities that would result in ground disturbance to the project site, the relevant applicant(s) for the subject development on any portion of the project site shall each ensure coverage of the relevant portion(s) of the project site under the SJMSCP and pay the applicable fee purchase adequate mitigation through the SJMSCP for 140.59 acres of potential foraging habitat (recommended) or alternatively provide applicant-responsible compensatory mitigation at a 1:1 ratio (such as procurement of credits through a mitigation bank or dedicated of a conservation easement).  Nesting: The following measures shall be implemented for construction work during the nesting season (February 1 through August 31):  Implementation of the following avoidance and minimization measures would avoid or minimize potential effects to Swainson's hawk as a result of project implementation and adjacent to the project site. These measures shall be implemented for construction work that occurs during the nesting season (February 1 through August 31):  If construction or habitat removal is proposed during the breeding/nesting season (typically February 1 through August 31), a qualified Biologist shall conduct pre-construction surveys for Swainson's hawk within the construction area, (special attention should be paid to trees with past recorded occurrences) including a 0.5- mile survey buffer, no more than 7 days prior to the start of ground-disturbing activities in the construction area. If no active nests are detected within the construction area site or within the buffer survey area, then no additional measures are required.	Verify payment of applicable mitigation fees; conduct site inspection; verify retention of qualified Biologist.	No more than 7 days prior to the start of ground-disturbing activities during the nesting season (February 1–August 31).	City of Tracy.		

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<ul> <li>If active Swainson's hawk nests are found within the construction area or the 0.5-mile survey buffer of the project site, a qualified Biologist shall determine what nest avoidance buffers may be necessary so that construction-related activities do not cause nest abandonment. The avoidance buffer shall be submitted to the San Joaquin County Multi-Species Habitat Conservation and Open Space Plan (SJMSCP) for approval. The qualified Biologist shall monitor construction activities to ensure construction activities do not result in adverse effects to the nest, fledglings, or adults. The Biologist shall submit a memorandum documenting construction compliance to the appropriate agencies.</li> </ul>						
<ul> <li>MM BIO-1c: Burrowing Owl</li> <li>A qualified Biologist shall conduct a pre-construction survey no later than 30 days prior to commencement of any ground-disturbing construction activities on the construction area. The survey shall be conducted in accordance with the Staff report on Burrowing Owl Mitigation. All suitable habitats within the construction area site and adjacent buffer (within 500 feet) shall be surveyed. If no burrowing owl are detected during the surveys, then no additional measures are required.</li> <li>If pre-construction surveys during the breeding season (February 1- August 31) detect active burrows within the construction area or near the adjacent buffer survey area site, a qualified Biologist shall establish and delineate an appropriate buffer zone around the nest until the breeding season is over as determined by the Biologist. Buffer areas shall be established using the guidelines within the Staff report on Burrowing Owl Mitigation.</li> <li>If pre-construction surveys detect active burrows during the nonbreeding season (September 1- January 31) the San</li> </ul>	Conduct site inspection; if an active nest is found during the breeding season (February 1 – August 31), submit passive relocation plan to SJMSCP.	No later than 30 days prior to the commencement of any ground-disturbing construction activities.	City of Tracy.			

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Joaquin County Multi-Species Habitat Conservation and Open Space Plan (SJMSCP) allows for eviction or passive relocation of owls. A passive relocation plan shall be prepared and submitted to SJMSCP for approval.					
<ul> <li>MM BIO-1d: San Joaquin Kit Fox</li> <li>Measures to protect San Joaquin kit fox shall consist of the following:</li> <li>A qualified Biologist shall conduct a pre-construction survey of the construction area and a 200-foot buffer, between 14 and 30 days prior to the commencement of ground disturbance. If the surveys do not identify any San Joaquin kit fox activity or locate any potential dens, then no further measures are necessary.</li> <li>If the survey identifies potential dens (potential dens are defined as burrows at least 4 inches in diameter that open up within 2 feet), den entrances shall be dusted for 3 calendar days to register track of any San Joaquin kit fox present. If no San Joaquin kit fox activity is identified, potential dens may be destroyed. If San Joaquin kit fox activity is identified, then dens shall be monitored by a qualified Biologist to determine whether occupation is by an adult fox only or is a natal den (natal dens usually have multiple openings).</li> <li>If the den is occupied by an adult only, the den may be destroyed when the adult fox has moved or is temporarily absent. If the den is a natal den, a buffer zone of 250 feet shall be maintained around the den until the Biologist determines that the den has been vacated. Where San Joaquin kit fox are identified, the provisions of the United States Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) published Standardized Recommendations for Protection of the San Joaquin Kit Fox Prior to or During Ground Disturbance shall apply (except that pre-construction survey protocols shall remain as established in this paragraph). These standards</li> </ul>	Conduct site inspection; if a den is occupied, educated construction workers regarding the San Joaquin kit fox.	Between 14 and 30 prior to the commencement of any ground-disturbing construction activities.	City of Tracy.		

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include provisions for educating construction workers regarding the San Joaquin kit fox and keeping heavy equipment operating at safe speeds.						
<ul> <li>MM BIO-1e: Migratory Birds</li> <li>To prevent significant impacts to Migratory Bird Treaty Act (MBTA)-protected birds, nesting raptors, and their nests, removal of trees shall be limited to only those necessary to feasibly construct the proposed project as shown on the individual development plans approved by the City pursuant to the mapping and/or development review process.</li> <li>If any tree removal is necessary, then it should occur outside the nesting season between September 1 through January 31 to the extent feasible. If trees cannot feasibly be removed outside the nesting season, pre-construction surveys shall be conducted no more than 7 days prior to tree removal to verify the absence of active nests.</li> <li>If an active nest is located during pre-construction surveys, the United States Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) and/or the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) (as appropriate) shall be notified regarding the status of the nest. Construction activities shall be restricted in the construction area as necessary to avoid disturbance of the nest until it is abandoned, or the agencies deem disturbance potential to be minimal. Restrictions shall consist of the include establishment of exclusion zones (no ingress of personnel or equipment at a minimum radius of 100 feet around an active raptor nest and an appropriate radius around an active migratory bird nest depending on the species) or alteration of the construction schedule.</li> <li>A qualified Biologist shall delineate the buffer using nest buffer signs, environmentally sensitive area fencing, pin flags, and/or flagging tape. The buffer zone shall be</li> </ul>	If tree removal occurs during the nesting season (September 1 – January 31), conduct site survey; verify reporting to the USFWS and CDFW.	No more than 7 days prior to tree removal.	City of Tracy.			

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maintained around the active nest site(s) until the young have fledged and are foraging independently.					
<ul> <li>MM BIO-1f: Roosting Bats</li> <li>A qualified wildlife Biologist shall conduct surveys for special-status bats during the appropriate time of day to maximize detectability to determine whether bat species are roosting near the construction area no less than 7 days and no more than 14 days prior to beginning ground disturbance and/or construction. Survey methodology may include visual surveys of bats (e.g., observation of bats during foraging period), inspection for suitable habitat, bat sign (e.g., guano), or use of ultrasonic detectors (Anabat, etc.).</li> <li>Visual surveys shall include trees within 0.25 mile of project construction activities. Not more than two weeks prior to building demolition, the Tracy Alliance parcel applicants for development on any project parcel, shall ensure that a qualified Biologist (i.e., one familiar with the identification of bats and signs of bats) survey buildings proposed for demolition for the presence of roosting bats or evidence of bats. If no roosting bats or evidence of bats are found in the structure, demolition may proceed. If the Biologist determines or presumes bats are present (if there are site access issues or structural safety concerns), the Biologist shall exclude the bats from suitable spaces by installing one-way exclusion devices. After the bats vacate the space, the Biologist shall close off the space to prevent recolonization. Building demolition of the subject structure shall only commence after the Biologist verifies seven to 10 days later that the exclusion methods have successfully prevented bats from returning. To avoid significant impacts on non-volant (i.e., nonflying) bats, the Biologist shall only conduct bat exclusion and eviction from May 1 through October 1. Exclusion efforts shall also be restricted during</li> </ul>	Submit evidence of site inspections with verified biological monitor; verify installation of exclusion devices (if construction occurs between May 1 and October 1).	Bat survey to be completed up to 14 days prior to the beginning of the construction period; visual surveys of trees and structures no more than 2 weeks prior to demolition or tree removal.	City of Tracy.		

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periods of sensitive activity (e.g., during hibernation or while females in maternity colonies are nursing young).						
MM BIO-3: Conduct Delineation of Potentially Jurisdictional Aquatic Resources (Channels and Wetlands)  The applicant(s) for development on any project parcel shall complete a formal jurisdictional delineation to document and quantify the full extent of potentially jurisdictional waters for the relevant project parcel(s) in coordination with the applicable regulatory agencies. The applicant(s) for development on any project parcel shall also coordinate, to the extent required under applicable laws and regulations, with the applicable regulatory agencies (United States Army Corps of Engineers [USACE], Regional Water Quality Control Board [RWQCB], and/or California Department of Fish and Wildlife [CDFW]) to determine whether the irrigation/drainage channels and/or cattail marsh on the project site is protected under Section 404 and 401 of the Clean Water Act (CWA) and/or Section 1602 of the California Fish and Game Code.	Review and approval of jurisdictional delineation and any CWA Sections 401 and 404 Permits, and/or Notification of Streambed Alteration prior to Construction of the subject individual development proposal.	Prior to the fill of any potentially jurisdictional waters or any construction activities within irrigation/drainage channels that qualify as streams under CDFW jurisdiction.	USACE, RWQCB, CDFW			
<ul> <li>Obtain CWA Sections 401 and 404 Permits Prior to Construction</li> <li>Prior to the fill of any potentially jurisdictional waters within the project site, the relevant project applicant(s) for the subject project parcel(s) shall consult with the USACE and Regional Water Quality Control Board, to the extent required under applicable laws and regulations, to determine the extent, if at all, that waters of the United States and State may be impacted by the proposed project.</li> <li>If required, the relevant applicant(s) for development of the subject project parcel(s) shall obtain a Section 404 CWA permit for impacts to waters of the United States. That same applicant, for development of the subject project parcel(s), will also obtain a Section 401 Water Quality</li> </ul>						

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<ul> <li>Certification from the RWQCB, if required. Any such required permit and certification shall be obtained prior to issuance of grading permits for the implementation of the individual development proposal on the subject project parcel(s).</li> <li>The applicant(s) for development on any project parcel shall design the project to result in no net loss of functions and values of waters of the United States and State by incorporating impact avoidance, impact minimization, and/or compensatory mitigation for the impact, as set forth in the subject Section 404 permit and 401 water quality certification.</li> <li>Compensatory mitigation may consist of (1) obtaining credits from a mitigation bank; (2) making a payment to an in-lieu fee program that would conduct wetland, stream, or other aquatic resource restoration, creation, enhancement, or preservation activities; and/or (3) providing compensatory mitigation through an aquatic resource restoration, establishment, enhancement, and/or preservation activity. This final type of compensatory mitigation may be provided at or adjacent to the impact site (i.e., on-site mitigation) or at another location, usually within the same watershed as the permitted impact (i.e., off-site mitigation). This project/permit applicant shall retain responsibility for the implementation and success of the mitigation approach.</li> </ul>						
Obtain Approval of and File Notification of Streambed Alteration Agreement Prior to Construction The applicant(s) for development on any project parcel shall ensure that the cattail marsh is not obstructed and human intrusion into the area is minimized. In compliance with Section 1600 of the California Fish and Game Code, the relevant applicant(s) of an individual development proposal						

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within the project site shall obtain approval and file a notification of a Streambed Alteration Agreement prior to conducting any construction activities within irrigation/drainage channels that qualify as streams under CDFW jurisdiction (i.e., those having bed and bank and at least periodical flow) if and to the extent required under applicable laws and regulations. Those same applicant(s) shall implement all mitigation measures imposed by the CDFW related to the subject Streambed Alteration Agreement, which may include but not be limited to the implementation of erosion and bank stabilization measures, riparian habitat enhancement, and/or restoration and revegetation of the stream corridor habitat at no less than a 1:1 ratio, as determined by the CDFW.					
3.5 Cultural Resources					
MM CUL-1: Archaeological Spot-Monitoring and Halt of Construction Upon Encountering Historical or Archaeological Materials  An Archaeologist who meets the Secretary of the Interior's Professional Qualification Standards for archaeology shall inspect the site once grubbing and clearing are complete for the purpose of determining whether there are any previously undiscovered resources on-site, and prior to any grading or trenching into previously undisturbed soils. This shall be followed by regular periodic or "spot-check" archaeological monitoring as determined by the Archaeologist. If the Archaeologist believes that a reduction in monitoring activities is prudent, then a letter report detailing the rationale for making such a reduction and summarizing the	Review documentation demonstrating retention of a qualified archaeological monitor or professional Archaeologist; conduct site inspections.	Prior to any grading or trenching into previously undisturbed soils and throughout the construction process.	City of Tracy.		

monitoring results shall be provided to the City of Tracy for concurrence. In the event a potentially significant cultural resource is encountered during subsurface earthwork activities, all construction activities within a 100-foot radius

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of the find shall cease and workers shall avoid altering the materials until an Archaeologist has evaluated the situation. The applicants for the development of the Tracy Alliance, Suvik Farms, and Zuriakat parcels shall include a standard inadvertent discovery clause in every construction contract to inform contractors of this requirement. Potentially significant cultural resources consist of but are not limited to stone, bone, glass, ceramics, fossils, wood, or shell artifacts, or features including hearths, structural remains, or historic dumpsites. The Archaeologist shall evaluate any finding(s) and determine whether they are significant, and if so, shall make recommendations concerning appropriate measures that will be implemented to protect the significant resource, including but not limited to excavation and evaluation of the finds in accordance with Section 15064.5 of the CEQA Guidelines. Any previously undiscovered significant resources found during construction within the project site shall be recorded on appropriate Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR) 523 forms and shall be submitted to the City of Tracy, the Northwest Information Center (NWIC), and the California Office of Historic Preservation (OHP), as required.						
MM CUL-3: Stop Construction Upon Encountering Human Remains In the event of the accidental discovery or recognition of any human remains, CEQA Guidelines Section 15064.5, Health and Safety Code Section 7050.5, and Public Resources Code Sections 5097.94 and Section 5097.98 shall be followed. If during the course of project construction, there is accidental discovery or recognition of any human remains, the following steps shall be taken:  1. There shall be no further excavation or disturbance within 100 feet of the remains until the county coroner is contacted to determine whether the remains are Native American and if an investigation of the cause of death is	Review project plans to verify mitigation measure is incorporated into plans.	During construction and any ground-disturbing activities.	City of Tracy.			

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required. If the coroner determines the remains to be Native American, the coroner shall contact the Native American Heritage Commission (NAHC) within 24 hours, and the NAHC shall identify the person or persons it believes to be the Most Likely Descendant (MLD) of the deceased Native American. The MLD may make recommendations to the landowner or the person responsible for the excavation work within 48 hours, for means of treating or disposing of, with appropriate dignity, the human remains, and any associated grave goods as provided in Public Resource Code Section 5097.98.  2. Where the following conditions occur, the landowner or his or her authorized representative shall rebury the Native American human remains and associated grave goods with appropriate dignity either in accordance with the recommendations of the MLD or on the project site in a location not subject to further subsurface disturbance:  • The NAHC is unable to identify an MLD or the MLD failed to make a recommendation within 48 hours after being notified by the commission.  • The descendant identified fails to make a recommendation.  • The landowner or his authorized representative rejects the recommendation of the descendant, and mediation by the NAHC fails to provide measures acceptable to the landowner.  Additionally, California Public Resources Code Section 15064.5 requires the following relative to Native American remains:  • When an initial study identifies the existence of, or the probable likelihood of, Native American remains within a project, a lead agency shall work with the appropriate						

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Public Resources Code Section 5097.98. The applicants for the development of the Tracy Alliance, Suvik Farms, and Zuriakat parcels may each develop a plan with respect to their individual development proposals for treating or disposing of, with appropriate dignity, the human remains, and any items associated with Native American burials with the appropriate Native Americans as identified by the NAHC.						
3.7 Geology and Soils						
MM GEO-1: Prepare Grading and Construction Plans that Incorporate Geotechnical Engineering Report Recommendations  Prior to issuance of the grading permits for the proposed project, development of the final grading, foundation, and construction plans shall incorporate the site-specific earthwork, foundation, floor slab, lateral earth pressure, and pavement design recommendations, as detailed in the Geotechnical Engineering Report prepared by Terracon dated January 30, 2019. The applicant(s) for development of individual development proposal(s) within the project site shall each coordinate with a City-approved Geotechnical Engineer and Engineering Geologist to tailor the grading and foundation plans for the relevant development proposal, as needed, to reduce risk related to known soil and geologic hazards. The final grading and construction plans for the relevant development proposal shall be reviewed by the Cityapproved Geotechnical Engineer to confirm compliance with this MM GEO-1.	Review project plans to verify mitigation measure is incorporated into plans.	Prior to issuance of grading permits for the proposed project.	City of Tracy.			
Grading operations shall meet the applicable requirements of the recommendations included in the Geotechnical Engineering Report prepared by Terracon on January 30, 2019. During construction, the City-approved Geotechnical Engineer shall monitor construction of the relevant						

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development proposal to ensure the earthwork operations are properly performed in accordance with the foregoing recommendations.						
MM GEO-6: Inadvertent Discovery of Paleontological Resources During Project Construction In the event a fossil is discovered during construction for the proposed project, excavations within 50 feet of the find shall be temporarily halted or delayed until the discovery is examined by a qualified paleontologist in accordance with Society of Vertebrate Paleontology standards. The applicants for development of individual proposals within the project site shall each include a standard inadvertent discovery clause in every proposed project-related construction contract to inform their respective contractors of this requirement. If the find is determined to be significant and if avoidance is not feasible, the paleontologist shall design and implement a data recovery plan that is consistent with the applicable Society of Vertebrate Paleontology standards. Any recovered fossil should be deposited in an appropriate repository, such as the UCMP, where it will be properly curated and made accessible for future studies.	Review project plans to verify mitigation measure is incorporated into plans.	During construction activities.	City of Tracy.			
3.9 Hazards and Hazardous Materials						
MM HAZ-1a: Conduct Soil Sampling (Tracy Alliance, Zuriakat, and Suvik Farms parcels)  Prior to the issuance of grading permits, the relevant applicant for an individual development proposal within the project site shall provide evidence of soil testing within the project boundary to confirm presence or absence of hazardous compounds such as lead and arsenic. The testing shall be conducted pursuant to a San Joaquin Environmental Health Department-approved sampling plan. If hazardous levels of hazardous compounds are found, excavated soils shall be sent off-site for disposal and any affected soils	Review documents that demonstrate soil testing was completed within the project boundary and any subsequent remediation that was needed.	Prior to the issuance of grading permits for each individual development proposal within the project site.	City of Tracy.			

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encountered should be properly characterized, treated and/or disposed of in accordance with applicable local, State, and federal laws and regulations. The relevant applicant shall complete any residual soil remediation in connection with the relevant individual development proposal to the satisfaction of San Joaquin Environmental Health Department, as evidenced by the submittal of a no further action letter. In addition, if hazardous contaminants related to the former agricultural use of the site (such as lead or arsenic) are found, a construction worker health and safety plan shall be prepared and shall be implemented during construction of the relevant individual development proposal.						
MM HAZ-1b: Proper Disposal and Decommission of Underground Storage Tanks, Aboveground Storage Tanks, and Unlabeled Drums (Tracy Alliance parcels only)  If any of the reported underground storage tanks (USTs) or aboveground storage tanks (ASTs) are discovered during excavation activities, the applicant for the development of the Tracy Alliance parcels shall dispose of and decommission the USTs and ASTs in accordance with applicable laws and regulations of the Local Oversight Program (LOP) and the American Petroleum Institute Standards, respectively. The unlabeled drums and containers observed during the site reconnaissance for the Phase I Environmental Site Assessment (Phase I ESA) for the Tracy Alliance parcels shall be characterized and disposed of in accordance with applicable local, State, and federal laws and regulations.	Review documentations that demonstrate proper disposal of all USTs and ASTs.	During excavation of the development of the Tracy Alliance parcels.	City of Tracy; LOP.			
MM HAZ-1c: Conduct Asbestos and Lead Surveys Prior to Demolition (Tracy Alliance parcels only) Prior to the issuance of demolition permits for the existing buildings, the applicant for the development of the Tracy Alliance parcels shall retain a licensed professional to conduct asbestos and lead paint surveys. These surveys shall be	Review documentation demonstrating a licensed professional was retained and asbestos and lead paint surveys were conducted;	Prior to the issuance of demolition permits for the existing buildings on the	City of Tracy.			

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conducted prior to the disturbance or removal of any suspect asbestos-containing materials (ACM) and lead-based paint (LBP), and these materials shall be characterized for asbestos and lead by a reliable method. All activities involving ACM and LBP shall be conducted in accordance with applicable laws and regulations, and all removal shall be conducted by properly licensed abatement contractors.	Review project plans to verify applicable laws and regulations related to activities involving ACM and LBP are detailed in the project plans.	Tracy Alliance parcels.				
MM HAZ-1d: Dust Mitigation and Soil Evaluation (Tracy Alliance, Zuriakat, and Suvik Farms parcels)  During any grading or excavation activities in connection with an individual development proposal within the project site, relevant development personnel shall be made aware to look for unusual conditions suggesting buried debris or other potential adverse environmental conditions. If any abnormal soils are discovered during development activities, such as stained soils, hydrocarbon odors, or any other unusual odors, all construction activities near the discovery shall be stopped immediately and the applicant for the relevant individual development proposal shall contact a qualified hazardous material consulting firm for further assessment and implementation of any appropriate actions as may be required under applicable laws and regulations before construction of the relevant individual proposal can begin again.	Review project plans to ensure mitigation measure and instructions were detailed in project plans.	During any grading or excavation activities.	City of Tracy.			
MM HAZ-1e: Consultation with Chevron and DigAlert (Tracy Alliance and Suvik Farms parcel only)  Prior to any ground disturbance and construction along the northern side of West Grant Line Road, adjacent to the southern boundary of the Tracy Alliance and Suvik Farms parcels, the relevant applicant(s) for the development of the Tracy Alliance and/or Suvik Farms parcels shall consult with Chevron (www.chevron-pipeline.com; 800.762.3404) and DigAlert 811 to determine the location of the existing	Verify consultation with Chevron and DigAlert 811.	Prior to any ground disturbance and construction in connection with the Tracy Alliance and/or Suvik Farms parcels.	City of Tracy.			

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underground petroleum pipeline to facilitate avoidance during ground disturbance and construction activities.					
3.10 Hydrology and Water Quality					
MM HYD-1a: Prepare Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan Prior to the issuance of a grading permit, the relevant applicant for each individual development proposal within the project site shall submit a draft of the Notice of Intent (NOI) and Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) in connection with its individual development proposal pursuant to the then-applicable Multi-Agency Post-Construction Stormwater Standards Manual at the time the relevant grading permit is submitted. After City approval of the relevant grading permit, the relevant NOI and SWPPP shall be sent to the California State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) for approval. Approval by the State Water Board is a prerequisite for issuance of the relevant grading permit by the City. The SWPPP shall address stormwater management during each phase of construction of the relevant individual development proposal. Best Management Practices (BMPs) shall be integrated into the relevant SWPPP as identified by the City of Tracy, which will result in the reduction or elimination of pollutants in stormwater discharges and the stabilization of BMPs to reduce or eliminate pollutants after construction of the relevant individual development proposal is completed. The relevant SWPPP shall be consistent with the applicable Regional Water Quality Control Board (RWQCB) standards and National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit requirements to protect water quality over the period of construction of the relevant individual development proposal.	Verify submission of SWPPP; Approval of NOI and SWPPP by the State Water Board.	Prior to the issuance of a grading permit for each individual development proposal within the project site; throughout construction activities.	City of Tracy; State Water Board.		

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MM HYD-1b: Prepare Stormwater Management Plan Prior to the issuance of a grading permit, the relevant applicant for each individual development proposal within the project site shall prepare a Stormwater Management Plan in connection with its individual development proposal for review and approval by the City of Tracy. The relevant Storm Water Management Plan (SWMP) shall include two fundamental components: (1) treatment for pollutants collected in stormwater using Low Impact Development (LID) measures, and (2) no net increase in the erosion potential of the receiving stream over the pre-project (existing) condition. All LID treatment measures would be required to be designed in accordance with applicable engineering criteria in the then-applicable Multi-Agency Post-Construction Stormwater Standards Manual. Implementation of the relevant SWMP would require the preparation of a clearly defined Operations and Maintenance (O&M) Plan by the relevant applicant in connection with its development proposal to ensure that installed stormwater treatment measure(s) and hydromodification management control(s) are inspected and properly operated and maintained for the life of the relevant individual development proposal.	Review and approval of SWMP.	Prior to issuance of a grading permit for each individual development proposal within the project site.	City of Tracy.		
<ul> <li>MM HYD-3: Prepare Final Drainage Plan Prior to Grading         Each applicant for an individual development proposal within the project site shall, in connection with the relevant individual development proposal:     </li> <li>Comply with all applicable rules, regulations, and procedures of the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) for municipal, construction and industrial activities as promulgated by the California State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board), or any of its Regional Water Quality Control Boards (RWQCBs).</li> <li>Submit a Final Stormwater Control Plan and a Stormwater Control Operation and Maintenance Plan (O&amp;M Plan) to</li> </ul>	Review site plans; verify submission of O&M Plan and Final Drainage Plan.	Prior to issuance of grading permits for each individual development proposal within the project site.	City of Tracy, State Water Board, RWQCBs.		

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the City of Tracy Public Works and Community					
Development Department, which shall be reviewed for					
compliance with the County's National Pollutant Discharge					
Elimination System (NPDES) Permit and shall be					
determined consistent with the City's Stormwater					
Management and Discharge Control Ordinance (Chapter					
11.34 of the Municipal Code, Ordinance 1072) prior to					
issuance of a grading permit for the relevant individual					
development proposal. Improvement Plans shall be					
reviewed to verify consistency with the relevant Final					
Stormwater Control Plan and compliance with Provision					
C.3 of the City's NPDES Permit and the City's Stormwater					
Management and Discharge Control Ordinance (Chapter					
11.34 of the Municipal Code, Ordinance 1072).					
Prior to issuance of grading permits for each relevant					
individual development proposal, the relevant applicant					
shall submit a Final Drainage Plan in connection with the					
relevant individual development proposal that incorporates					
the measures included in the Flood Protection Technical					
Memorandum. The City of Tracy Public Works and					
Community Development Department shall review the					
relevant Final Drainage Plan to ensure it is in compliance					
with all applicable requirements and standards, including					
the recommendations provided in the Flood Protection					
Technical Memorandum and in the Citywide Storm					
Drainage Master Plan in effect at the time building permits					
are issued, to reduce risk related to flooding within a					
designated floodplain. The relevant Final Drainage Plan					
shall be reviewed by City of Tracy Public Works and					
Community Development Department staff to ensure that					
all building minimum floor elevations for the relevant					
development proposal are at 26 feet or 1 foot above the maximum flood elevation and shall accommodate the 200-					
year storm event as detailed in the Flood Protection					

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Technical Memorandum. In addition, the on-site stormwater detention basin shall be designed in accordance with the recommendations provided in the Flood Protection Technical Memorandum and in accordance with the Citywide Storm Drainage Master Plan in effect at the time building permits are issued. Additionally, the relevant Final Drainage Plan shall determine if discharge of pre-project runoff rates and/or volumes into the Tom Paine Slough drainage area can continue after project construction pursuant to applicable standards and requirements. Should the relevant Final Drainage Plan determine it is feasible to discharge some runoff (possibly up to the pre-project runoff volume) into the existing downstream system, this design shall be submitted to the City of Tracy as part of the relevant Final Drainage Plan for review and approval.					
3.12 Noise					

## **Identified Improvement Measures**

**IMM NOI-2:** To reduce potential construction noise impacts, the following multi-part Improvement Mitigation Measure (IMM) shall be implemented for the project:

- Equip all internal combustion engine-driven equipment with intake and exhaust mufflers that are in good condition and appropriate for the equipment.
- Locate stationary operational noise-generating equipment as far as feasible from sensitive receptors when sensitive receptors adjoin or are near a construction area. In addition, the project contractor shall place such stationary construction equipment so that emitted noise is directed away from sensitive receptors nearest the project site to the extent feasible.

Review construction plans; verify all equipment is equipped with mufflers; verify staging areas.	During all phases of construction.	City of Tracy.	

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<ul> <li>Utilize "quiet" air compressors and other stationary operational noise sources where such technology exists and is commercially practicable.</li> <li>The construction contractor shall prohibit unnecessary idling (i.e., idling in excess of 5 minutes) of internal combustion engines.</li> <li>The construction contractor shall, to the maximum extent practicable, locate on-site equipment staging areas so as to maximize the distance between construction-related noise sources and noise-sensitive receptors nearest the project site during all project construction.</li> <li>The construction contractor shall ensure that all construction activities that would occur within 550 feet of a residential land use property line shall be limited to daylight hours or to the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.</li> </ul>						
3.14 Transportation						
MM TRANS-1(a): Transportation Demand Management Measures Prior to issuance of the first building permit for the relevant individual development proposal, the relevant applicant for the individual development proposal at issue shall submit to the City of Tracy Planning Department a Transportation Demand Management (TDM) program that incorporates all of the following six measures (as explained further in Table 3.14- 6 of the Draft EIR): 1. Utilize communication and information strategies—4 percent reduction; 2. Offer telecommuting for administrative staff (5 percent of staff population)—1 percent reduction; 3. Designate parking spaces for carpool vehicles—1 percent reduction; 4. Provide a transit stop along the project frontage on Grant Line Road, if agreed to by the City—2 percent reduction;	Review and approval of TDM.	Prior to issuance of the first building permit for the relevant individual development proposal.	City of Tracy.			

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<ol> <li>Provide bike lanes and sidewalks along the project frontage—1 percent reduction; and</li> <li>Provide on-site bike racks and showers—1 percent reduction.</li> <li>Provided, however, that if the relevant applicant determines that one of more of the foregoing six TDM measures is not feasible in connection with the individual development proposal at issue, then the relevant applicant may obtain approval from the City of Tracy Planning Department of acceptable substitute TDM measure(s) pursuant to Table 3.14-6 of the Draft EIR.</li> </ol>						
The relevant applicant's TDM program, as described above, shall reflect a 10 percent reduction in VMT for the relevant individual development proposal.						
MM TRANS-1(b): Payment of Applicable Banking Fee In addition to the Transportation Demand Management (TDM) program required in MM TRANS-1(a), each applicant for an individual development proposal shall pay its fair share of the applicable fee as set forth in the adopted Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT) Mitigation Banking Fee in place and effective at the time the relevant applicant seeks to obtain building permits for its individual development proposal. Provided, however, that if the City Council has not adopted the Mitigation Banking Fee Program such that it is effective and in place at the time an applicant for an individual development proposal seeks to obtain a building permit, then the relevant applicant shall implement additional VMT reduction measures in order to meet the minimum VMT reduction requirement of 15 percent.	Verify payment of the applicable VMT Mitigation Banking Fee or that the project TDM meet the minimum VMT reduction requirement of 15 percent for purposes of the subject individual development proposal.	Prior to issuance of the first building permit for the relevant individual development proposal.	City of Tracy.			
MM TRANS-2: Prepare and Implement Construction Traffic Control Plan	Review and approval of traffic control plan.	Prior to the start of construction for an individual	City of Tracy.			

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Prior to the start of construction for an individual development proposal, the relevant applicant shall prepare and submit a Construction Traffic Control Plan for the individual development proposal at issue. Each plan shall include the following items. Each approved plan shall be implemented during construction of the individual development proposal at issue.  Project staging plan to maximize on-site storage of materials and equipment.  Permitted construction hours.  Location of construction staging.  Provisions for street sweeping to remove construction-related debris on public streets.  A set of comprehensive traffic control measures including preparation of traffic control plans, as needed; scheduling of major truck trips and deliveries to avoid peak-hours; lane closure proceedings; signs, cones, and other warning devices for drivers; and designation of construction haul routes.  Survey of the pavement condition on roadways within the relevant individual development to be used as part of the haul route prior to the commencement of any work onsite. The survey shall include a video tape of the roadways. Each relevant applicant shall complete any remedial work prior to initiation of use and provide a bond assuring completion of the remediation work triggered by the individual development proposal, the amount which shall be deemed sufficient by the Public Works Department.  The relevant applicant shall provide a pavement analysis for those roads along the proposed haul routes or any alternate route(s) that are proposed to be utilized by hauling operation for the individual development proposal at issue. This study shall analyze the existing pavement conditions and determine what impact the hauling operation will have over the construction period of the		development proposal.			

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relevant individual development. The study shall provide recommendations to mitigate identified impacts, which shall be implemented by the relevant applicant for the individual development proposal at issue.						
Identified Improvement Measures						
<ul> <li>IM-1: I-205 EB Ramps and North MacArthur Drive         (Intersection 11) Improvements     </li> <li>Prior to issuance of the building permits for each individual development proposal, the City of Tracy Planning Department shall verify that the relevant applicant has paid the applicable TIF fee for the relevant individual development proposal. In so doing, this payment will constitute a pro rata fair share contribution toward the City's ability to implement its TMP, which includes the following improvements:</li> <li>Lane additions at both ramp terminals and the addition of a second I-205 Westbound on-ramp. The two ramp terminals cannot be improved independently. The westbound ramp terminal would improve with the addition of these lanes.</li> </ul>	Verify payment of the applicable TIF fee for the subject individual development proposal.	Prior to issuance of the first building permit for each individual development proposal.	City of Tracy.			
<ul> <li>IM-2: Grant Line Road and North MacArthur Drive</li> <li>(Intersection 13) Improvements</li> <li>Prior to issuance of the building permits for each individual development proposal, the City of Tracy Planning         Department shall verify that the relevant applicant has paid its pro rata fair share of the proposed project's fair share of 5.93 percent of the following improvement: the construction of a westbound right turn lane for Intersection 13 (which will include a right-turn overlap signal phase).</li> </ul>	Verify payment of pro rata fair share for the subject individual development proposal for westbound right turn lane for Intersection 13.	Prior to issuance of building permits for each individual development proposal.	City of Tracy.			
IM-3: Optimize Signal Cycle Length at Grant Line Road and Chrisman Road (Intersection 9) and Grant Line Road and North MacArthur Drive (Intersection 13)	Verify optimization of signal lengths at Grant Line and Chrisman Road,	Prior to issuance of building permits for each individual	City of Tracy.			

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Prior to issuance of the building permits for the first individual development proposal, the City of Tracy Planning Department shall verify that the signal cycle length has been optimized at the intersections of:  • Grant Line and Chrisman Road  • Grant Line Road and North MacArthur Drive	and Grant Line Road, and Grant Line Road and North MacArthur Drive.	development proposal.			
<ul> <li>IM-4: Chrisman Road and 11<sup>th</sup> Street (Intersection 15)</li> <li>Improvements</li> <li>Prior to issuance of the building permits for each individual development proposal, the City of Tracy Planning Department shall verify that the relevant applicant has paid its pro rata fair share of the proposed project's fair share of 5.35 percent for the following improvement: an additional second westbound left-turn lane for Intersection 15 (which will involve the signal at this Intersection being modified to allow lagging phase for the eastbound left turn and northbound left turn).</li> </ul>	Verify payment of pro rata fair share for subject individual development proposal for westbound right turn lane for Intersection 15.	Prior to issuance of building permits for each individual development proposal.	City of Tracy.		
3.16 Utilities and Service Systems					
MM UTIL-1a: Adherence to Applicable Performance Standards and Payment of Infrastructure Fees Prior to the issuance of building permits for an individual development proposal, the relevant applicant shall demonstrate compliance of the individual development proposal at issue with applicable performance standards pursuant to the then-current Urban Water Management Plan, Citywide Water System Master Plan, Wastewater Master Plan, and Citywide Storm Drainage Master Plan. In addition, each applicant for an individual development proposal shall pay its respective proportionate share of required funding, subject to applicable laws governing nexus requirements, to the City for completion of relevant planned City Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) improvements.	Review project design plans to demonstrate compliance of the individual development proposal at issue with applicable performance standards pursuant to City utility master plans; verify payment of applicable funding for CIP improvements.	Prior to issuance of building permits for an individual development proposal.	City of Tracy.		

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MM UTIL-1b: Submittal of Final Engineering Plans for Tracy Alliance Parcels  Prior to the issuance of the building permit for the first building on the Tracy Alliance parcels, the applicants for the development of the Tracy Alliance parcels shall submit engineering plans to the City of Tracy for review and approval to confirm compliance with this MM UTIL-1b. These plans shall include additional 12-inch diameter pipelines on-site as shown on Exhibit 3.16-5 of this Draft EIR and the fire service laterals shall be upsized to 14-inch diameter.	Review engineering plans.	Prior to issuance of building permits for the first building on the Tracy Alliance parcels.	City of Tracy.		
MM UTIL-1c: Submittal of Final Engineering Plans for Suvik Farms and Zuriakat Parcels  Prior to the issuance of the building permit for the first building on the subject parcel, each relevant applicant for the individual development proposal of the Suvik Farms or Zuriakat Parcels, respectively, shall each submit final engineering plans to the City of Tracy for review and approval to confirm compliance with the relevant performance standards including, but not limited to, those pursuant to the current Urban Water Management Plan, Citywide Water System Master Plan, Wastewater Master Plan, and Citywide Storm Drainage Master Plan in effect at the time building permits are requested.	Review engineering plans.	Prior to issuance of building permits for the first building on the subject Suvik and/or Zuriakat parcel(s).	City of Tracy.		
MM UTIL-3: Payment of Wastewater Infrastructure Fees/Construction of Wastewater Facilities Prior to the issuance of the first building permit for the subject individual development proposal, the relevant applicant shall participate in the implementation of the Wastewater Master Plan (WWMP) in effect at the time the relevant building permit is requested through the payment of the applicable impact fees as included in the City's Capital Improvement Plan (CIP).	Verify implementation of WWMP through payment of applicable fees for subject individual development proposal.	Prior to issuance of building permits for the subject individual development parcel.	City of Tracy.		

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## **PREFACE**

Pursuant to the Public Resources Code Section 21081.6 of the California Environmental Quality Act and CEQA Guidelines Section 15097 (collectively, "CEQA"), the City of Tracy (Lead Agency) hereby finds that the mitigation measures set forth in this Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program (MMRP) for the Tracy Alliance Project (proposed project) will reduce or avoid the identified potentially significant impacts of the proposed project to the extent feasible for the reasons described in the Tracy Alliance Project Environmental Impact Report (EIR) and as otherwise documented in the materials that make up the proposed project's administrative record. The Lead Agency intends for each of the mitigation measures to be adopted as recommended in the EIR, and incorporated into conditions of approval for the purpose of ensuring compliance during project implementation.

In the event of any inconsistencies between the mitigation measures set forth in the EIR and MMRP, the MMRP shall control. In the event of any inconsistencies between the Standard Conditions of Approval imposed on the proposed project set forth by the City of Tracy and the MMRP, the MMRP shall control.

The EIR prepared for the proposed project concluded that project implementation could result in significant effects on the environment and feasible mitigation measures have been identified as set forth in this MMRP and which will be incorporated as enforceable conditions of project approval that would reduce these potential impacts to a less than significant level to the extent feasible. This MMRP documents how and when the mitigation measures adopted by the Lead Agency will be implemented and confirms that identified, potentially significant environmental impacts would be reduced to less than significant levels to the extent feasible as identified in the EIR.

This document does not discuss those environmental topic areas that the environmental analysis set forth in the Tracy Alliance Project EIR (along with other materials in the administrative record) has determined there would result in less than significant impacts and thus for which no mitigation is necessary.

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**Table 1: Tracy Alliance Project Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program** 

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3.2 Agriculture and Forestry Resources					
MM AG-1: Payment of Agricultural Mitigation Fees At the time of issuance of building permits for each individual development proposal, the relevant applicant(s) for the subject development proposal shall pay the applicable Agriculture Mitigation Fee in accordance with Chapter 13.28 of the Municipal Code.	Verify payment of Agricultural Mitigation Fee.	At the time of issuance of building permits for each individual development proposal.	City of Tracy.		
3.3 Air Quality					
MM AIR-1a: NO <sub>x</sub> Reduction Measures Prior to the issuance of grading permits for each individual development proposal within the project site, the relevant applicant for each development proposal shall provide documentation to the City of Tracy demonstrating the following NO <sub>x</sub> reduction measures would be adhered to during construction activities for the relevant development proposal:  • For all construction equipment and vehicles used during project construction that are equal to or greater than 250 horsepower, the contractor shall use construction equipment and vehicles that meet the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Tier 4 Final engine standards; • For all construction equipment and vehicles used during project construction that are less than 250 horsepower, the contractor shall use electric construction equipment and vehicles to the extent feasible, with the exception of handheld generator sets; and • All generator sets utilized during project construction shall be limited to 5 horsepower and shall only be used to power handheld power tools.	Review project construction plans and equipment lists.	Prior to issuance of grading permits for each individual development proposal within the project site.	City of Tracy.		

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The construction contractor shall maintain reasonable records concerning its efforts to comply with this requirement, including equipment lists. Documentation that each relevant applicant provides to the City shall include, but is not limited to, equipment type, equipment manufacturer, equipment identification number, engine model year, engine certification (Tier rating), horsepower, and engine serial number.					
MM AIR-1b: "Super-Compliant" Architectural Coatings Prior to the issuance of grading permits for each individual development proposal within the project site, the relevant applicant for each development shall provide the City with documentation demonstrating the use of "Super-Compliant" architectural coatings, as defined by the South Coast Air Quality Management District (South Coast AQMD), during construction of the proposed project. "Super-Compliant" architectural coatings, as defined by the South Coast AQMD, are paints which do not exceed 10 grams of reactive organic gas (ROG) per liter of paint.	Review project design plans.	Prior to the issuance of grading permits for each individual development proposal within the project site.	City of Tracy.		
MM AIR-1c: "Zero-VOC" Consumer Products  Prior to issuance of building permits for each individual development proposal within the project site, the relevant applicant for each development shall provide the City with documentation requiring the consumer products purchased by the building occupant(s) or by the cleaning business contracted by the building occupant(s) for each on-site use shall consist of water-based or "zero volatile organic compound [VOC]" consumer products, to the maximum extent feasible. "Consumer products," as referred to in this mitigation measure, shall include detergents, cleaning compounds, polishes, and floor finishes. "Consumer products," as referred to in this mitigation measure, shall not	Verify inclusion in project specifications; conduct site inspection.	Prior to issuance of building permits	City of Tracy.		

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include parking lot degreasers, architectural coatings, pesticides, or fertilizers.					
Prior to the issuance of the certificate of occupancy for each individual development proposal within the project site, the relevant applicant for the subject individual development proposal shall provide the City with reasonable documentation demonstrating the use of a clean truck fleet that meets the California Air Resources Board's adopted 2013 Optional Low-NOX Standard of 0.02 gram of nitrogen oxide (NO <sub>X</sub> ) per brake horsepower-hour for all heavy-duty trucks during operation of the proposed project, to the maximum extent feasible. If the relevant applicant does not own the truck fleet that will be used during operation of the subject individual development, the relevant applicant shall provide the City with reasonable documentation from the truck fleet owner demonstrating that trucks utilized for operation of the subject individual development will meet the California 2013 Optional Low-NO <sub>X</sub> Standard, to the maximum extent feasible. If any change occurs where a new truck fleet is utilized during operation of the subject individual development, the relevant applicant shall provide the City with reasonable documentation demonstrating that the new truck fleet meets the California 2013 Optional Low-NO <sub>X</sub> Standard of 0.02 gram per brake horsepower-hour, to the maximum extent feasible.	Verify inclusion in project specifications.	Prior to issuance of the certificate of occupancy for each individual development proposal within the project site.	City of Tracy.		
MM AIR-1e: Operational Truck Fleet Routing Prior to the issuance of the certificate of occupancy for each individual development proposal within the project site, the relevant applicant for the subject individual development proposal shall provide the City with reasonable documentation demonstrating that trucks used during project operation for the subject individual development proposal will be prohibited from accessing Grant Line Road east of the	Review truck fleet routing plans.	Prior to issuance of the certificate of occupancy for each individual development proposal within the project site.	City of Tracy.		

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project site, such as plans illustrating intended truck routes. All trucks used during project operation shall use routes that circumvent the use of Grant Line Road east of the project site.						
MM AIR-1f: Idling Limitation  Prior to the issuance of the certificate of occupancy for each individual development proposal within the project site, the relevant applicant for the subject individual development proposal shall provide the City with reasonable documentation demonstrating that on-site truck idling during project operation for the subject individual development proposal shall be limited to no greater than 3 minutes. The documentation provided to the City shall include photos or a map of signage posted in strategic locations on-site identifying that truck idling does not exceed 3 minutes. The signage shall include a phone number to contact at the facility regarding idling violation complaints, and corrective action shall occur within 48 hours of receipt of the complaint.	Review documentation and on-site signage demonstrating that on- site truck idling shall be limited to no greater than 3 minutes.	Prior to the issuance of the certificate of occupancy for each individual development proposal within the project site.	City of Tracy.			
MM AIR-1g: Electric On-Site Off-Road and On-Road Equipment  Prior to the issuance of the certificate of occupancy for each individual development proposal within the project site, the relevant applicant for the subject individual development proposal shall provide the City with reasonable documentation demonstrating that all on-site off-road and on-road equipment to be used during project operation of the subject individual development proposal will be electric-powered. On-site off-road and on-road equipment shall include, but are not limited to, forklifts and pallet jacks.	Review construction plans.	Prior to the issuance of the certificate of occupancy for each individual development proposal within the project site.	City of Tracy.			
MM AIR-1h: Vegetated Project Site Buffer Prior to the issuance of building permit(s) for each individual development proposal within the project site, the relevant applicant for the subject individual development proposal shall demonstrate on their site plans the inclusion of a	Review project design plans.	Prior to the issuance of building permit(s) for each individual development	City of Tracy.			

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vegetative buffer along the eastern property line of the project site adjacent to sensitive receptors. Examples of vegetative buffers may include, but are not limited to, trees, bushes, shrubs, or a mix thereof.		proposal within the project site.			
MM AIR-1i: Tier 2 CALGreen Electric Vehicle Charging Infrastructure  Prior to the issuance of building permit(s) for each individual development proposal within the project site, the relevant applicant for the subject individual development proposal shall provide the City with reasonable documentation (e.g., shown on-site plans) showing that the proposed parking areas for passenger automobiles and trucks for project operation of the subject individual development proposal are designed and will be built to include electric vehicle (EV) charging stations. At a minimum, the parking shall be designed to include a number of EV charging stations equal to the Tier 2 Nonresidential Voluntary Measures of the California Green Building Standards Code, Section A5.106.5.3.2.	Review documentation (e.g., shown on-site plans) showing that the proposed parking areas for passenger automobiles and trucks are designed and will be built to include EV charging stations.	Prior to the issuance of building permits(s) for each individual development proposed within the project site.	City of Tracy.		
3.4 Biological Resources					
<ul> <li>MM BIO-1a: Song Sparrow and Tricolored Blackbird</li> <li>Mitigation</li> <li>Implementation of the following avoidance and minimization measures would avoid or minimize potential effects to song sparrow and tricolored blackbird as a result of project implementation within the Zuriakat parcel in and adjacent to the project site. These measures shall be implemented for construction work that occurs during the nesting season (February 1 through August 31):</li> <li>If construction or habitat removal is proposed during the breeding/nesting season (typically February 1 through August 31), a qualified Biologist shall conduct preconstruction surveys for song sparrow and tricolored</li> </ul>	If construction occurs within the Zuriakat parcel during the nesting season (February 1 – August 31), conduct preconstruction site inspection.	No more than 7 days prior to the start of ground-disturbing activities within the Zuriakat parcel during the nesting season (February 1 – August 31).	City of Tracy.		

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blackbird within potential nesting habitat of the construction area, (special attention should be paid to the cattail marsh within the Zuriakat parcel) including a 500-foot survey buffer for tricolored blackbird and a 75-foot survey buffer for song sparrow, no more than 7 days prior to the start of ground-disturbing activities in the construction area. If no active nests are detected within the construction area on the project site or within the relevant buffer survey area, then no additional measures are required.  If an active nest is located during pre-construction surveys, the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) (as appropriate) shall be notified (as appropriate) regarding the status of the nest. A setback of 500 feet (for tricolored blackbird) and 75 feet (for song sparrow) shall be established and maintained during the nesting season for the period encompassing nest building and continuing until fledglings leave nests. This setback applies whenever construction or other ground-disturbing activities must begin during the nesting season in the presence of nests which are known to be occupied. Furthermore, construction activities shall be restricted in the construction area as necessary to avoid disturbance of the nest until it is abandoned, or a qualified Biologist deems disturbance potential to be minimal. Restrictions shall include consultation with a qualified Biologist to determine appropriate buffer zones or alteration of the construction schedule in the relevant area.  A qualified Biologist shall delineate the buffer using nest buffer signs, environmentally sensitive area fencing, pin flags, and/or flagging tape. The buffer zone shall be maintained around the active nest site(s) until the young have fledged and are foraging independently.							

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MM BIO-1b: Swainson's Hawk Foraging: Prior to any activities that would result in ground disturbance to the project site, the relevant applicant(s) for the subject development on any portion of the project site shall each ensure coverage of the relevant portion(s) of the project site under the SJMSCP and pay the applicable fee purchase adequate mitigation through the SJMSCP for 140.59 acres of potential foraging habitat (recommended) or alternatively provide applicant-responsible compensatory mitigation at a 1:1 ratio (such as procurement of credits through a mitigation bank or dedicated of a conservation easement).  Nesting: The following measures shall be implemented for construction work during the nesting season (February 1 through August 31):  Implementation of the following avoidance and minimization measures would avoid or minimize potential effects to Swainson's hawk as a result of project implementation and adjacent to the project site. These measures shall be implemented for construction work that occurs during the nesting season (February 1 through August 31):  If construction or habitat removal is proposed during the breeding/nesting season (typically February 1 through August 31), a qualified Biologist shall conduct pre-construction surveys for Swainson's hawk within the construction area, (special attention should be paid to trees with past recorded occurrences) including a 0.5- mile survey buffer, no more than 7 days prior to the start of ground-disturbing activities in the construction area. If no active nests are detected within the construction area site or within the buffer survey area, then no additional measures are required.	Verify payment of applicable mitigation fees; conduct site inspection; verify retention of qualified Biologist.	No more than 7 days prior to the start of ground-disturbing activities during the nesting season (February 1–August 31).	City of Tracy.		

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<ul> <li>If active Swainson's hawk nests are found within the construction area or the 0.5-mile survey buffer of the project site, a qualified Biologist shall determine what nest avoidance buffers may be necessary so that construction-related activities do not cause nest abandonment. The avoidance buffer shall be submitted to the San Joaquin County Multi-Species Habitat Conservation and Open Space Plan (SJMSCP) for approval. The qualified Biologist shall monitor construction activities to ensure construction activities do not result in adverse effects to the nest, fledglings, or adults. The Biologist shall submit a memorandum documenting construction compliance to the appropriate agencies.</li> </ul>					
<ul> <li>MM BIO-1c: Burrowing Owl</li> <li>A qualified Biologist shall conduct a pre-construction survey no later than 30 days prior to commencement of any ground-disturbing construction activities on the construction area. The survey shall be conducted in accordance with the Staff report on Burrowing Owl Mitigation. All suitable habitats within the construction area site and adjacent buffer (within 500 feet) shall be surveyed. If no burrowing owl are detected during the surveys, then no additional measures are required.</li> <li>If pre-construction surveys during the breeding season (February 1- August 31) detect active burrows within the construction area or near the adjacent buffer survey area site, a qualified Biologist shall establish and delineate an appropriate buffer zone around the nest until the breeding season is over as determined by the Biologist. Buffer areas shall be established using the guidelines within the Staff report on Burrowing Owl Mitigation.</li> <li>If pre-construction surveys detect active burrows during the nonbreeding season (September 1- January 31) the San</li> </ul>	Conduct site inspection; if an active nest is found during the breeding season (February 1 – August 31), submit passive relocation plan to SJMSCP.	No later than 30 days prior to the commencement of any ground-disturbing construction activities.	City of Tracy.		

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Joaquin County Multi-Species Habitat Conservation and Open Space Plan (SJMSCP) allows for eviction or passive relocation of owls. A passive relocation plan shall be prepared and submitted to SJMSCP for approval.					
<ul> <li>MM BIO-1d: San Joaquin Kit Fox</li> <li>Measures to protect San Joaquin kit fox shall consist of the following:</li> <li>A qualified Biologist shall conduct a pre-construction survey of the construction area and a 200-foot buffer, between 14 and 30 days prior to the commencement of ground disturbance. If the surveys do not identify any San Joaquin kit fox activity or locate any potential dens, then no further measures are necessary.</li> <li>If the survey identifies potential dens (potential dens are defined as burrows at least 4 inches in diameter that open up within 2 feet), den entrances shall be dusted for 3 calendar days to register track of any San Joaquin kit fox present. If no San Joaquin kit fox activity is identified, potential dens may be destroyed. If San Joaquin kit fox activity is identified, then dens shall be monitored by a qualified Biologist to determine whether occupation is by an adult fox only or is a natal den (natal dens usually have multiple openings).</li> <li>If the den is occupied by an adult only, the den may be destroyed when the adult fox has moved or is temporarily absent. If the den is a natal den, a buffer zone of 250 feet shall be maintained around the den until the Biologist determines that the den has been vacated. Where San Joaquin kit fox are identified, the provisions of the United States Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) published Standardized Recommendations for Protection of the San Joaquin Kit Fox Prior to or During Ground Disturbance shall apply (except that pre-construction survey protocols shall remain as established in this paragraph). These standards</li> </ul>	Conduct site inspection; if a den is occupied, educated construction workers regarding the San Joaquin kit fox.	Between 14 and 30 prior to the commencement of any ground-disturbing construction activities.	City of Tracy.		

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include provisions for educating construction workers regarding the San Joaquin kit fox and keeping heavy equipment operating at safe speeds.						
<ul> <li>MM BIO-1e: Migratory Birds</li> <li>To prevent significant impacts to Migratory Bird Treaty Act (MBTA)-protected birds, nesting raptors, and their nests, removal of trees shall be limited to only those necessary to feasibly construct the proposed project as shown on the individual development plans approved by the City pursuant to the mapping and/or development review process.</li> <li>If any tree removal is necessary, then it should occur outside the nesting season between September 1 through January 31 to the extent feasible. If trees cannot feasibly be removed outside the nesting season, pre-construction surveys shall be conducted no more than 7 days prior to tree removal to verify the absence of active nests.</li> <li>If an active nest is located during pre-construction surveys, the United States Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) and/or the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) (as appropriate) shall be notified regarding the status of the nest. Construction activities shall be restricted in the construction area as necessary to avoid disturbance of the nest until it is abandoned, or the agencies deem disturbance potential to be minimal. Restrictions shall consist of the include establishment of exclusion zones (no ingress of personnel or equipment at a minimum radius of 100 feet around an active raptor nest and an appropriate radius around an active migratory bird nest depending on the species) or alteration of the construction schedule.</li> <li>A qualified Biologist shall delineate the buffer using nest buffer signs, environmentally sensitive area fencing, pin flags, and/or flagging tape. The buffer zone shall be</li> </ul>	If tree removal occurs during the nesting season (September 1 – January 31), conduct site survey; verify reporting to the USFWS and CDFW.	No more than 7 days prior to tree removal.	City of Tracy.			

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maintained around the active nest site(s) until the young have fledged and are foraging independently.					
<ul> <li>MM BIO-1f: Roosting Bats</li> <li>A qualified wildlife Biologist shall conduct surveys for special-status bats during the appropriate time of day to maximize detectability to determine whether bat species are roosting near the construction area no less than 7 days and no more than 14 days prior to beginning ground disturbance and/or construction. Survey methodology may include visual surveys of bats (e.g., observation of bats during foraging period), inspection for suitable habitat, bat sign (e.g., guano), or use of ultrasonic detectors (Anabat, etc.).</li> <li>Visual surveys shall include trees within 0.25 mile of project construction activities. Not more than two weeks prior to building demolition, the Tracy Alliance parcel applicants for development on any project parcel, shall ensure that a qualified Biologist (i.e., one familiar with the identification of bats and signs of bats) survey buildings proposed for demolition for the presence of roosting bats or evidence of bats. If no roosting bats or evidence of bats are found in the structure, demolition may proceed. If the Biologist determines or presumes bats are present (if there are site access issues or structural safety concerns), the Biologist shall exclude the bats from suitable spaces by installing one-way exclusion devices. After the bats vacate the space, the Biologist shall close off the space to prevent recolonization. Building demolition of the subject structure shall only commence after the Biologist verifies seven to 10 days later that the exclusion methods have successfully prevented bats from returning. To avoid significant impacts on non-volant (i.e., nonflying) bats, the Biologist shall only conduct bat exclusion and eviction from May 1 through October 1. Exclusion efforts shall also be restricted during</li> </ul>	Submit evidence of site inspections with verified biological monitor; verify installation of exclusion devices (if construction occurs between May 1 and October 1).	Bat survey to be completed up to 14 days prior to the beginning of the construction period; visual surveys of trees and structures no more than 2 weeks prior to demolition or tree removal.	City of Tracy.		

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periods of sensitive activity (e.g., during hibernation or while females in maternity colonies are nursing young).					
MM BIO-3: Conduct Delineation of Potentially Jurisdictional Aquatic Resources (Channels and Wetlands)  The applicant(s) for development on any project parcel shall complete a formal jurisdictional delineation to document and quantify the full extent of potentially jurisdictional waters for the relevant project parcel(s) in coordination with the applicable regulatory agencies. The applicant(s) for development on any project parcel shall also coordinate, to the extent required under applicable laws and regulations, with the applicable regulatory agencies (United States Army Corps of Engineers [USACE], Regional Water Quality Control Board [RWQCB], and/or California Department of Fish and Wildlife [CDFW]) to determine whether the irrigation/drainage channels and/or cattail marsh on the project site is protected under Section 404 and 401 of the Clean Water Act (CWA) and/or Section 1602 of the California Fish and Game Code.	Review and approval of jurisdictional delineation and any CWA Sections 401 and 404 Permits, and/or Notification of Streambed Alteration prior to Construction of the subject individual development proposal.	Prior to the fill of any potentially jurisdictional waters or any construction activities within irrigation/drainage channels that qualify as streams under CDFW jurisdiction.	USACE, RWQCB, CDFW		
<ul> <li>Obtain CWA Sections 401 and 404 Permits Prior to Construction</li> <li>Prior to the fill of any potentially jurisdictional waters within the project site, the relevant project applicant(s) for the subject project parcel(s) shall consult with the USACE and Regional Water Quality Control Board, to the extent required under applicable laws and regulations, to determine the extent, if at all, that waters of the United States and State may be impacted by the proposed project.</li> <li>If required, the relevant applicant(s) for development of the subject project parcel(s) shall obtain a Section 404 CWA permit for impacts to waters of the United States. That same applicant, for development of the subject project parcel(s), will also obtain a Section 401 Water Quality</li> </ul>					

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<ul> <li>Certification from the RWQCB, if required. Any such required permit and certification shall be obtained prior to issuance of grading permits for the implementation of the individual development proposal on the subject project parcel(s).</li> <li>The applicant(s) for development on any project parcel shall design the project to result in no net loss of functions and values of waters of the United States and State by incorporating impact avoidance, impact minimization, and/or compensatory mitigation for the impact, as set forth in the subject Section 404 permit and 401 water quality certification.</li> <li>Compensatory mitigation may consist of (1) obtaining credits from a mitigation bank; (2) making a payment to an in-lieu fee program that would conduct wetland, stream, or other aquatic resource restoration, creation, enhancement, or preservation activities; and/or (3) providing compensatory mitigation through an aquatic resource restoration, establishment, enhancement, and/or preservation activity. This final type of compensatory mitigation may be provided at or adjacent to the impact site (i.e., on-site mitigation) or at another location, usually within the same watershed as the permitted impact (i.e., off-site mitigation). This project/permit applicant shall retain responsibility for the implementation and success of the mitigation approach.</li> </ul>					
Obtain Approval of and File Notification of Streambed Alteration Agreement Prior to Construction The applicant(s) for development on any project parcel shall ensure that the cattail marsh is not obstructed and human intrusion into the area is minimized. In compliance with Section 1600 of the California Fish and Game Code, the relevant applicant(s) of an individual development proposal					

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within the project site shall obtain approval and file a notification of a Streambed Alteration Agreement prior to conducting any construction activities within irrigation/drainage channels that qualify as streams under CDFW jurisdiction (i.e., those having bed and bank and at least periodical flow) if and to the extent required under applicable laws and regulations. Those same applicant(s) shall implement all mitigation measures imposed by the CDFW related to the subject Streambed Alteration Agreement, which may include but not be limited to the implementation of erosion and bank stabilization measures, riparian habitat enhancement, and/or restoration and revegetation of the stream corridor habitat at no less than a 1:1 ratio, as determined by the CDFW.					
3.5 Cultural Resources					
MM CUL-1: Archaeological Spot-Monitoring and Halt of Construction Upon Encountering Historical or Archaeological Materials  An Archaeologist who meets the Secretary of the Interior's Professional Qualification Standards for archaeology shall inspect the site once grubbing and clearing are complete for the purpose of determining whether there are any previously undiscovered resources on-site, and prior to any grading or trenching into previously undisturbed soils. This shall be followed by regular periodic or "spot-check" archaeological monitoring as determined by the Archaeologist. If the Archaeologist believes that a reduction in monitoring activities is prudent, then a letter report detailing the rationale for making such a reduction and summarizing the	Review documentation demonstrating retention of a qualified archaeological monitor or professional Archaeologist; conduct site inspections.	Prior to any grading or trenching into previously undisturbed soils and throughout the construction process.	City of Tracy.		

monitoring results shall be provided to the City of Tracy for concurrence. In the event a potentially significant cultural resource is encountered during subsurface earthwork activities, all construction activities within a 100-foot radius

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of the find shall cease and workers shall avoid altering the materials until an Archaeologist has evaluated the situation. The applicants for the development of the Tracy Alliance, Suvik Farms, and Zuriakat parcels shall include a standard inadvertent discovery clause in every construction contract to inform contractors of this requirement. Potentially significant cultural resources consist of but are not limited to stone, bone, glass, ceramics, fossils, wood, or shell artifacts, or features including hearths, structural remains, or historic dumpsites. The Archaeologist shall evaluate any finding(s) and determine whether they are significant, and if so, shall make recommendations concerning appropriate measures that will be implemented to protect the significant resource, including but not limited to excavation and evaluation of the finds in accordance with Section 15064.5 of the CEQA Guidelines. Any previously undiscovered significant resources found during construction within the project site shall be recorded on appropriate Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR) 523 forms and shall be submitted to the City of Tracy, the Northwest Information Center (NWIC), and the California Office of Historic Preservation (OHP), as required.					
MM CUL-3: Stop Construction Upon Encountering Human Remains In the event of the accidental discovery or recognition of any human remains, CEQA Guidelines Section 15064.5, Health and Safety Code Section 7050.5, and Public Resources Code Sections 5097.94 and Section 5097.98 shall be followed. If during the course of project construction, there is accidental discovery or recognition of any human remains, the following steps shall be taken:  1. There shall be no further excavation or disturbance within 100 feet of the remains until the county coroner is contacted to determine whether the remains are Native American and if an investigation of the cause of death is	Review project plans to verify mitigation measure is incorporated into plans.	During construction and any ground-disturbing activities.	City of Tracy.		

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required. If the coroner determines the remains to be Native American, the coroner shall contact the Native American Heritage Commission (NAHC) within 24 hours, and the NAHC shall identify the person or persons it believes to be the Most Likely Descendant (MLD) of the deceased Native American. The MLD may make recommendations to the landowner or the person responsible for the excavation work within 48 hours, for means of treating or disposing of, with appropriate dignity, the human remains, and any associated grave goods as provided in Public Resource Code Section 5097.98.  2. Where the following conditions occur, the landowner or his or her authorized representative shall rebury the Native American human remains and associated grave goods with appropriate dignity either in accordance with the recommendations of the MLD or on the project site in a location not subject to further subsurface disturbance:  • The NAHC is unable to identify an MLD or the MLD failed to make a recommendation within 48 hours after being notified by the commission.  • The descendant identified fails to make a recommendation.  • The landowner or his authorized representative rejects the recommendation of the descendant, and mediation by the NAHC fails to provide measures acceptable to the landowner.  Additionally, California Public Resources Code Section 15064.5 requires the following relative to Native American remains:  • When an initial study identifies the existence of, or the probable likelihood of, Native American remains within a project, a lead agency shall work with the appropriate					

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Public Resources Code Section 5097.98. The applicants for the development of the Tracy Alliance, Suvik Farms, and Zuriakat parcels may each develop a plan with respect to their individual development proposals for treating or disposing of, with appropriate dignity, the human remains, and any items associated with Native American burials with the appropriate Native Americans as identified by the NAHC.					
3.7 Geology and Soils					
MM GEO-1: Prepare Grading and Construction Plans that Incorporate Geotechnical Engineering Report Recommendations  Prior to issuance of the grading permits for the proposed project, development of the final grading, foundation, and construction plans shall incorporate the site-specific earthwork, foundation, floor slab, lateral earth pressure, and pavement design recommendations, as detailed in the Geotechnical Engineering Report prepared by Terracon dated January 30, 2019. The applicant(s) for development of individual development proposal(s) within the project site shall each coordinate with a City-approved Geotechnical Engineer and Engineering Geologist to tailor the grading and foundation plans for the relevant development proposal, as needed, to reduce risk related to known soil and geologic hazards. The final grading and construction plans for the relevant development proposal shall be reviewed by the Cityapproved Geotechnical Engineer to confirm compliance with this MM GEO-1.	Review project plans to verify mitigation measure is incorporated into plans.	Prior to issuance of grading permits for the proposed project.	City of Tracy.		
Grading operations shall meet the applicable requirements of the recommendations included in the Geotechnical Engineering Report prepared by Terracon on January 30, 2019. During construction, the City-approved Geotechnical Engineer shall monitor construction of the relevant					

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development proposal to ensure the earthwork operations are properly performed in accordance with the foregoing recommendations.					
MM GEO-6: Inadvertent Discovery of Paleontological Resources During Project Construction In the event a fossil is discovered during construction for the proposed project, excavations within 50 feet of the find shall be temporarily halted or delayed until the discovery is examined by a qualified paleontologist in accordance with Society of Vertebrate Paleontology standards. The applicants for development of individual proposals within the project site shall each include a standard inadvertent discovery clause in every proposed project-related construction contract to inform their respective contractors of this requirement. If the find is determined to be significant and if avoidance is not feasible, the paleontologist shall design and implement a data recovery plan that is consistent with the applicable Society of Vertebrate Paleontology standards. Any recovered fossil should be deposited in an appropriate repository, such as the UCMP, where it will be properly curated and made accessible for future studies.	Review project plans to verify mitigation measure is incorporated into plans.	During construction activities.	City of Tracy.		
3.9 Hazards and Hazardous Materials					
MM HAZ-1a: Conduct Soil Sampling (Tracy Alliance, Zuriakat, and Suvik Farms parcels)  Prior to the issuance of grading permits, the relevant applicant for an individual development proposal within the project site shall provide evidence of soil testing within the project boundary to confirm presence or absence of hazardous compounds such as lead and arsenic. The testing shall be conducted pursuant to a San Joaquin Environmental Health Department-approved sampling plan. If hazardous levels of hazardous compounds are found, excavated soils shall be sent off-site for disposal and any affected soils	Review documents that demonstrate soil testing was completed within the project boundary and any subsequent remediation that was needed.	Prior to the issuance of grading permits for each individual development proposal within the project site.	City of Tracy.		

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encountered should be properly characterized, treated and/or disposed of in accordance with applicable local, State, and federal laws and regulations. The relevant applicant shall complete any residual soil remediation in connection with the relevant individual development proposal to the satisfaction of San Joaquin Environmental Health Department, as evidenced by the submittal of a no further action letter. In addition, if hazardous contaminants related to the former agricultural use of the site (such as lead or arsenic) are found, a construction worker health and safety plan shall be prepared and shall be implemented during construction of the relevant individual development proposal.					
MM HAZ-1b: Proper Disposal and Decommission of Underground Storage Tanks, Aboveground Storage Tanks, and Unlabeled Drums (Tracy Alliance parcels only)  If any of the reported underground storage tanks (USTs) or aboveground storage tanks (ASTs) are discovered during excavation activities, the applicant for the development of the Tracy Alliance parcels shall dispose of and decommission the USTs and ASTs in accordance with applicable laws and regulations of the Local Oversight Program (LOP) and the American Petroleum Institute Standards, respectively. The unlabeled drums and containers observed during the site reconnaissance for the Phase I Environmental Site Assessment (Phase I ESA) for the Tracy Alliance parcels shall be characterized and disposed of in accordance with applicable local, State, and federal laws and regulations.	Review documentations that demonstrate proper disposal of all USTs and ASTs.	During excavation of the development of the Tracy Alliance parcels.	City of Tracy; LOP.		
MM HAZ-1c: Conduct Asbestos and Lead Surveys Prior to Demolition (Tracy Alliance parcels only) Prior to the issuance of demolition permits for the existing buildings, the applicant for the development of the Tracy Alliance parcels shall retain a licensed professional to conduct asbestos and lead paint surveys. These surveys shall be	Review documentation demonstrating a licensed professional was retained and asbestos and lead paint surveys were conducted;	Prior to the issuance of demolition permits for the existing buildings on the	City of Tracy.		

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conducted prior to the disturbance or removal of any suspect asbestos-containing materials (ACM) and lead-based paint (LBP), and these materials shall be characterized for asbestos and lead by a reliable method. All activities involving ACM and LBP shall be conducted in accordance with applicable laws and regulations, and all removal shall be conducted by properly licensed abatement contractors.	Review project plans to verify applicable laws and regulations related to activities involving ACM and LBP are detailed in the project plans.	Tracy Alliance parcels.				
MM HAZ-1d: Dust Mitigation and Soil Evaluation (Tracy Alliance, Zuriakat, and Suvik Farms parcels)  During any grading or excavation activities in connection with an individual development proposal within the project site, relevant development personnel shall be made aware to look for unusual conditions suggesting buried debris or other potential adverse environmental conditions. If any abnormal soils are discovered during development activities, such as stained soils, hydrocarbon odors, or any other unusual odors, all construction activities near the discovery shall be stopped immediately and the applicant for the relevant individual development proposal shall contact a qualified hazardous material consulting firm for further assessment and implementation of any appropriate actions as may be required under applicable laws and regulations before construction of the relevant individual proposal can begin again.	Review project plans to ensure mitigation measure and instructions were detailed in project plans.	During any grading or excavation activities.	City of Tracy.			
MM HAZ-1e: Consultation with Chevron and DigAlert (Tracy Alliance and Suvik Farms parcel only)  Prior to any ground disturbance and construction along the northern side of West Grant Line Road, adjacent to the southern boundary of the Tracy Alliance and Suvik Farms parcels, the relevant applicant(s) for the development of the Tracy Alliance and/or Suvik Farms parcels shall consult with Chevron (www.chevron-pipeline.com; 800.762.3404) and DigAlert 811 to determine the location of the existing	Verify consultation with Chevron and DigAlert 811.	Prior to any ground disturbance and construction in connection with the Tracy Alliance and/or Suvik Farms parcels.	City of Tracy.			

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underground petroleum pipeline to facilitate avoidance during ground disturbance and construction activities.									
3.10 Hydrology and Water Quality									
MM HYD-1a: Prepare Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan Prior to the issuance of a grading permit, the relevant applicant for each individual development proposal within the project site shall submit a draft of the Notice of Intent (NOI) and Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) in connection with its individual development proposal pursuant to the then-applicable Multi-Agency Post-Construction Stormwater Standards Manual at the time the relevant grading permit is submitted. After City approval of the relevant grading permit, the relevant NOI and SWPPP shall be sent to the California State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) for approval. Approval by the State Water Board is a prerequisite for issuance of the relevant grading permit by the City. The SWPPP shall address stormwater management during each phase of construction of the relevant individual development proposal. Best Management Practices (BMPs) shall be integrated into the relevant SWPPP as identified by the City of Tracy, which will result in the reduction or elimination of pollutants in stormwater discharges and the stabilization of BMPs to reduce or eliminate pollutants after construction of the relevant individual development proposal is completed. The relevant SWPPP shall be consistent with the applicable Regional Water Quality Control Board (RWQCB) standards and National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit requirements to protect water quality over the period of construction of the relevant individual development proposal.	Verify submission of SWPPP; Approval of NOI and SWPPP by the State Water Board.	Prior to the issuance of a grading permit for each individual development proposal within the project site; throughout construction activities.	City of Tracy; State Water Board.						

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MM HYD-1b: Prepare Stormwater Management Plan Prior to the issuance of a grading permit, the relevant applicant for each individual development proposal within the project site shall prepare a Stormwater Management Plan in connection with its individual development proposal for review and approval by the City of Tracy. The relevant Storm Water Management Plan (SWMP) shall include two fundamental components: (1) treatment for pollutants collected in stormwater using Low Impact Development (LID) measures, and (2) no net increase in the erosion potential of the receiving stream over the pre-project (existing) condition. All LID treatment measures would be required to be designed in accordance with applicable engineering criteria in the then-applicable Multi-Agency Post-Construction Stormwater Standards Manual. Implementation of the relevant SWMP would require the preparation of a clearly defined Operations and Maintenance (O&M) Plan by the relevant applicant in connection with its development proposal to ensure that installed stormwater treatment measure(s) and hydromodification management control(s) are inspected and properly operated and maintained for the life of the relevant individual development proposal.	Review and approval of SWMP.	Prior to issuance of a grading permit for each individual development proposal within the project site.	City of Tracy.		
<ul> <li>MM HYD-3: Prepare Final Drainage Plan Prior to Grading         Each applicant for an individual development proposal within the project site shall, in connection with the relevant individual development proposal:     </li> <li>Comply with all applicable rules, regulations, and procedures of the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) for municipal, construction and industrial activities as promulgated by the California State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board), or any of its Regional Water Quality Control Boards (RWQCBs).</li> <li>Submit a Final Stormwater Control Plan and a Stormwater Control Operation and Maintenance Plan (O&amp;M Plan) to</li> </ul>	Review site plans; verify submission of O&M Plan and Final Drainage Plan.	Prior to issuance of grading permits for each individual development proposal within the project site.	City of Tracy, State Water Board, RWQCBs.		

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the City of Tracy Public Works and Community					
Development Department, which shall be reviewed for					
compliance with the County's National Pollutant Discharge					
Elimination System (NPDES) Permit and shall be					
determined consistent with the City's Stormwater					
Management and Discharge Control Ordinance (Chapter					
11.34 of the Municipal Code, Ordinance 1072) prior to					
issuance of a grading permit for the relevant individual					
development proposal. Improvement Plans shall be					
reviewed to verify consistency with the relevant Final					
Stormwater Control Plan and compliance with Provision					
C.3 of the City's NPDES Permit and the City's Stormwater					
Management and Discharge Control Ordinance (Chapter					
11.34 of the Municipal Code, Ordinance 1072).					
Prior to issuance of grading permits for each relevant					
individual development proposal, the relevant applicant					
shall submit a Final Drainage Plan in connection with the					
relevant individual development proposal that incorporates					
the measures included in the Flood Protection Technical					
Memorandum. The City of Tracy Public Works and					
Community Development Department shall review the					
relevant Final Drainage Plan to ensure it is in compliance					
with all applicable requirements and standards, including					
the recommendations provided in the Flood Protection					
Technical Memorandum and in the Citywide Storm					
Drainage Master Plan in effect at the time building permits					
are issued, to reduce risk related to flooding within a					
designated floodplain. The relevant Final Drainage Plan					
shall be reviewed by City of Tracy Public Works and					
Community Development Department staff to ensure that					
all building minimum floor elevations for the relevant					
development proposal are at 26 feet or 1 foot above the maximum flood elevation and shall accommodate the 200-					
year storm event as detailed in the Flood Protection					

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Technical Memorandum. In addition, the on-site stormwater detention basin shall be designed in accordance with the recommendations provided in the Flood Protection Technical Memorandum and in accordance with the Citywide Storm Drainage Master Plan in effect at the time building permits are issued. Additionally, the relevant Final Drainage Plan shall determine if discharge of pre-project runoff rates and/or volumes into the Tom Paine Slough drainage area can continue after project construction pursuant to applicable standards and requirements. Should the relevant Final Drainage Plan determine it is feasible to discharge some runoff (possibly up to the pre-project runoff volume) into the existing downstream system, this design shall be submitted to the City of Tracy as part of the relevant Final Drainage Plan for review and approval.									
3.12 Noise									

#### **Identified Improvement Measures**

**IMM NOI-2:** To reduce potential construction noise impacts, the following multi-part Improvement Mitigation Measure (IMM) shall be implemented for the project:

- Equip all internal combustion engine-driven equipment with intake and exhaust mufflers that are in good condition and appropriate for the equipment.
- Locate stationary operational noise-generating equipment as far as feasible from sensitive receptors when sensitive receptors adjoin or are near a construction area. In addition, the project contractor shall place such stationary construction equipment so that emitted noise is directed away from sensitive receptors nearest the project site to the extent feasible.

Review construction plans; verify all equipment is equipped with mufflers; verify staging areas.	During all phases of construction.	City of Tracy.	

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<ul> <li>Utilize "quiet" air compressors and other stationary operational noise sources where such technology exists and is commercially practicable.</li> <li>The construction contractor shall prohibit unnecessary idling (i.e., idling in excess of 5 minutes) of internal combustion engines.</li> <li>The construction contractor shall, to the maximum extent practicable, locate on-site equipment staging areas so as to maximize the distance between construction-related noise sources and noise-sensitive receptors nearest the project site during all project construction.</li> <li>The construction contractor shall ensure that all construction activities that would occur within 550 feet of a residential land use property line shall be limited to daylight hours or to the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.</li> </ul>					
3.14 Transportation					
MM TRANS-1(a): Transportation Demand Management Measures Prior to issuance of the first building permit for the relevant individual development proposal, the relevant applicant for the individual development proposal at issue shall submit to the City of Tracy Planning Department a Transportation Demand Management (TDM) program that incorporates all of the following six measures (as explained further in Table 3.14- 6 of the Draft EIR): 1. Utilize communication and information strategies—4 percent reduction; 2. Offer telecommuting for administrative staff (5 percent of staff population)—1 percent reduction; 3. Designate parking spaces for carpool vehicles—1 percent reduction; 4. Provide a transit stop along the project frontage on Grant Line Road, if agreed to by the City—2 percent reduction;	Review and approval of TDM.	Prior to issuance of the first building permit for the relevant individual development proposal.	City of Tracy.		

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<ol> <li>Provide bike lanes and sidewalks along the project frontage—1 percent reduction; and</li> <li>Provide on-site bike racks and showers—1 percent reduction.</li> <li>Provided, however, that if the relevant applicant determines that one of more of the foregoing six TDM measures is not feasible in connection with the individual development proposal at issue, then the relevant applicant may obtain approval from the City of Tracy Planning Department of acceptable substitute TDM measure(s) pursuant to Table 3.14-6 of the Draft EIR.</li> </ol>					
The relevant applicant's TDM program, as described above, shall reflect a 10 percent reduction in VMT for the relevant individual development proposal.					
MM TRANS-1(b): Payment of Applicable Banking Fee In addition to the Transportation Demand Management (TDM) program required in MM TRANS-1(a), each applicant for an individual development proposal shall pay its fair share of the applicable fee as set forth in the adopted Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT) Mitigation Banking Fee in place and effective at the time the relevant applicant seeks to obtain building permits for its individual development proposal. Provided, however, that if the City Council has not adopted the Mitigation Banking Fee Program such that it is effective and in place at the time an applicant for an individual development proposal seeks to obtain a building permit, then the relevant applicant shall implement additional VMT reduction measures in order to meet the minimum VMT reduction requirement of 15 percent.	Verify payment of the applicable VMT Mitigation Banking Fee or that the project TDM meet the minimum VMT reduction requirement of 15 percent for purposes of the subject individual development proposal.	Prior to issuance of the first building permit for the relevant individual development proposal.	City of Tracy.		
MM TRANS-2: Prepare and Implement Construction Traffic Control Plan	Review and approval of traffic control plan.	Prior to the start of construction for an individual	City of Tracy.		

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Prior to the start of construction for an individual development proposal, the relevant applicant shall prepare and submit a Construction Traffic Control Plan for the individual development proposal at issue. Each plan shall include the following items. Each approved plan shall be implemented during construction of the individual development proposal at issue.  Project staging plan to maximize on-site storage of materials and equipment.  Permitted construction hours.  Location of construction staging.  Provisions for street sweeping to remove construction-related debris on public streets.  A set of comprehensive traffic control measures including preparation of traffic control plans, as needed; scheduling of major truck trips and deliveries to avoid peak-hours; lane closure proceedings; signs, cones, and other warning devices for drivers; and designation of construction haul routes.  Survey of the pavement condition on roadways within the relevant individual development to be used as part of the haul route prior to the commencement of any work onsite. The survey shall include a video tape of the roadways. Each relevant applicant shall complete any remedial work prior to initiation of use and provide a bond assuring completion of the remediation work triggered by the individual development proposal, the amount which shall be deemed sufficient by the Public Works Department.  The relevant applicant shall provide a pavement analysis for those roads along the proposed haul routes or any alternate route(s) that are proposed to be utilized by hauling operation for the individual development proposal at issue. This study shall analyze the existing pavement conditions and determine what impact the hauling operation will have over the construction period of the		development proposal.						

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Mitigation Measures	Verify payment of the applicable TIF fee for the subject individual development proposal. In ir share tits TMP, addition of mp he the addition  We Verify payment of pro rata fair share for the subject individual development proposal for westbound right turn lane for Intersection 13.  Road and Verify optimization of signal lengths at Grant	Timing of Verification	Verification	Date	Initial			
relevant individual development. The study shall provide recommendations to mitigate identified impacts, which shall be implemented by the relevant applicant for the individual development proposal at issue.								
Identified Improvement Measures								
<ul> <li>IM-1: I-205 EB Ramps and North MacArthur Drive         (Intersection 11) Improvements     </li> <li>Prior to issuance of the building permits for each individual development proposal, the City of Tracy Planning Department shall verify that the relevant applicant has paid the applicable TIF fee for the relevant individual development proposal. In so doing, this payment will constitute a pro rata fair share contribution toward the City's ability to implement its TMP, which includes the following improvements:</li> <li>Lane additions at both ramp terminals and the addition of a second I-205 Westbound on-ramp. The two ramp terminals cannot be improved independently. The westbound ramp terminal would improve with the addition of these lanes.</li> </ul>	applicable TIF fee for the subject individual	Prior to issuance of the first building permit for each individual development proposal.	City of Tracy.					
<ul> <li>IM-2: Grant Line Road and North MacArthur Drive</li> <li>(Intersection 13) Improvements</li> <li>Prior to issuance of the building permits for each individual development proposal, the City of Tracy Planning         Department shall verify that the relevant applicant has paid its pro rata fair share of the proposed project's fair share of 5.93 percent of the following improvement: the construction of a westbound right turn lane for Intersection 13 (which will include a right-turn overlap signal phase).</li> </ul>	rata fair share for the subject individual development proposal for westbound right turn	Prior to issuance of building permits for each individual development proposal.	City of Tracy.					
IM-3: Optimize Signal Cycle Length at Grant Line Road and Chrisman Road (Intersection 9) and Grant Line Road and North MacArthur Drive (Intersection 13)	signal lengths at Grant	Prior to issuance of building permits for each individual	City of Tracy.					

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Prior to issuance of the building permits for the first individual development proposal, the City of Tracy Planning Department shall verify that the signal cycle length has been optimized at the intersections of:  • Grant Line and Chrisman Road  • Grant Line Road and North MacArthur Drive	and Grant Line Road, and Grant Line Road and North MacArthur Drive.	development proposal.							
<ul> <li>IM-4: Chrisman Road and 11<sup>th</sup> Street (Intersection 15)</li> <li>Improvements</li> <li>Prior to issuance of the building permits for each individual development proposal, the City of Tracy Planning Department shall verify that the relevant applicant has paid its pro rata fair share of the proposed project's fair share of 5.35 percent for the following improvement: an additional second westbound left-turn lane for Intersection 15 (which will involve the signal at this Intersection being modified to allow lagging phase for the eastbound left turn and northbound left turn).</li> </ul>	Verify payment of pro rata fair share for subject individual development proposal for westbound right turn lane for Intersection 15.	Prior to issuance of building permits for each individual development proposal.	City of Tracy.						
3.16 Utilities and Service Systems									
MM UTIL-1a: Adherence to Applicable Performance Standards and Payment of Infrastructure Fees Prior to the issuance of building permits for an individual development proposal, the relevant applicant shall demonstrate compliance of the individual development proposal at issue with applicable performance standards pursuant to the then-current Urban Water Management Plan, Citywide Water System Master Plan, Wastewater Master Plan, and Citywide Storm Drainage Master Plan. In addition, each applicant for an individual development proposal shall pay its respective proportionate share of required funding, subject to applicable laws governing nexus requirements, to the City for completion of relevant planned City Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) improvements.	Review project design plans to demonstrate compliance of the individual development proposal at issue with applicable performance standards pursuant to City utility master plans; verify payment of applicable funding for CIP improvements.	Prior to issuance of building permits for an individual development proposal.	City of Tracy.						

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MM UTIL-1b: Submittal of Final Engineering Plans for Tracy Alliance Parcels  Prior to the issuance of the building permit for the first building on the Tracy Alliance parcels, the applicants for the development of the Tracy Alliance parcels shall submit engineering plans to the City of Tracy for review and approval to confirm compliance with this MM UTIL-1b. These plans shall include additional 12-inch diameter pipelines on-site as shown on Exhibit 3.16-5 of this Draft EIR and the fire service laterals shall be upsized to 14-inch diameter.	Review engineering plans.	Prior to issuance of building permits for the first building on the Tracy Alliance parcels.	City of Tracy.		
MM UTIL-1c: Submittal of Final Engineering Plans for Suvik Farms and Zuriakat Parcels  Prior to the issuance of the building permit for the first building on the subject parcel, each relevant applicant for the individual development proposal of the Suvik Farms or Zuriakat Parcels, respectively, shall each submit final engineering plans to the City of Tracy for review and approval to confirm compliance with the relevant performance standards including, but not limited to, those pursuant to the current Urban Water Management Plan, Citywide Water System Master Plan, Wastewater Master Plan, and Citywide Storm Drainage Master Plan in effect at the time building permits are requested.	Review engineering plans.	Prior to issuance of building permits for the first building on the subject Suvik and/or Zuriakat parcel(s).	City of Tracy.		
MM UTIL-3: Payment of Wastewater Infrastructure Fees/Construction of Wastewater Facilities Prior to the issuance of the first building permit for the subject individual development proposal, the relevant applicant shall participate in the implementation of the Wastewater Master Plan (WWMP) in effect at the time the relevant building permit is requested through the payment of the applicable impact fees as included in the City's Capital Improvement Plan (CIP).	Verify implementation of WWMP through payment of applicable fees for subject individual development proposal.	Prior to issuance of building permits for the subject individual development parcel.	City of Tracy.		

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- 1) CERTIFYING AN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT (EIR), AND ADOPTING A MITIGATION MONITORING AND REPORTING PROGRAM, FINDINGS OF FACT, AND A STATEMENT OF OVERRIDING CONSIDERATIONS, FOR THE ANNEXATION AND FUTURE DEVELOPMENT OF INDUSTRIAL BUILDINGS ON THE 191.18 ACRE PROPERTY LOCATED AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF GRANT LINE AND PARADISE ROADS (ASSESSOR'S PARCEL NUMBERS 213-170-14, -24, -25, -26, -27, AND -48, COLLECTIVELY THEPROPERTY) IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA);
- 2) AMENDING THE NORTHEAST INDUSTRIAL (NEI) SPECIFIC PLAN TO ADD THE PROPERTY TO SAID SPECIFIC PLAN AREA WITH A LAND USE DESIGNATION OF LIGHT INDUSTRIAL (SPA22-0003);
- 3) APPROVING THE PREZONING OF THE PROPERTY TO NORTHEAST INDUSTRIAL SPECIFIC PLAN ZONE (AP20-0003); AND
- 4) APPROVING THE SUBMITTAL OF A PETITION TO THE SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION FOR ANNEXATION OF THE PROPERTY TO THE CITY OF TRACY

WHEREAS, On May 29, 2020, the City received applications from the owners of that certain 191.18-acre property located at the northeast corner of Grant Line Road and Paradise Road bearing Assessor's Parcel Numbers 213-170-14, 213-170-24, 213-170-25, 213-170-26, 213-170-27, and 213-170-48 (the Property) asking the City to amend the NEI Specific Plan to incorporate the Property into the Specific Plan area, prezone the Property as Northeast Industrial Specific Plan Zone, and submit a petition to the San Joaquin County Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCo) to annex the Property to the City of Tracy (collectively, the applications are referred to herein as the Project); and

**WHEREAS**, The Property has been located within the City's Sphere of Influence (SOI) since the July 1993 General Plan Update; and

**WHEREAS,** The Property is designated by the City's General Plan as Industrial, and the proposed prezoning designation of Northeast Industrial Specific Plan Zone is consistent with the General Plan designation; and

**WHEREAS**, To support its processing of the applications, and pursuant to the requirements of CEQA, the City conducted an environmental analysis of the proposed Project, resulting in the completion of a Draft EIR bearing State Clearinghouse Number 2020080524 (**Exhibit 1**); and

**WHEREAS,** The Draft EIR was published on April 20, 2022 for public review and comment, with the comment period closing on June 3, 2022; and

**WHEREAS,** The City received comments throughout the comment period, including during a Planning Commission public hearing on May 25, 2022; and

WHEREAS, A Final EIR was published on January 19, 2023 for public review; and

WHEREAS, The Planning Commission conducted a duly noticed public hearing on January 25, 2023, and considered the Draft and Final EIRs (together, the EIR), including the Findings of Fact, the Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program (MMRP), and Statement of Overriding Considerations (attached as Exhibits 2, 3 and 4), and the applications for the NEI Specific Plan amendment, prezoning, and submittal to LAFCo of the petition to annex the Property to the City of Tracy, and voted to recommend that the City Council certify the EIR, approve the NEI Specific Plan amendment and prezoning, and approve the submittal of a petition to LAFCo to annex the Property to the City of Tracy; and

WHEREAS, In February, 2023, the City received two late comment letters on the EIR and prepared written responses to said letters, which letters and responses were incorporated into the EIR, and the City supplemented the mitigation measures in the EIR at the request of the late comments, and the minor changes to the EIR arising from the late comment letters did not change the analyses or conclusions of the EIR and did not require recirculation of the Draft EIR under applicable CEQA requirements; and

**WHEREAS**, On April 4, 2023, the City Council held a duly noticed public hearing to review and consider the proposed Project, and the EIR with the minor changes arising from the late comment letters, Findings of Fact, MMRP, and Statement of Overriding Considerations.

#### NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TRACY AS FOLLOWS:

**SECTION 1.** Incorporation of Recitals/Findings. The City Council of the City of Tracy hereby finds and determines the foregoing recitals are true and correct and are hereby incorporated herein as findings and determinations of the City.

**SECTION 2. CEQA EIR.** The City Council, based on its independent judgment and analysis, has reviewed and considered the proposed Project and has determined, based on the whole record before it, including the EIR, Findings of Fact, MMRP, and Statement of Overriding Considerations set forth in **Exhibits 1 through 4**, that the proposed Project will have a significant effect on the environment and hereby certifies the EIR and adopts the MMRP, Findings of Fact, and a Statement of Overriding Considerations as full satisfaction of the requirements under CEQA for the Project.

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**SECTION 3. Specific Plan Amendment.** The City Council hereby approves and adopts the NEI Specific Plan amendment to add the above-described Property to the NEI Specific Plan as indicated in **Exhibit 5** 

**SECTION 4. Prezoning.** The City Council hereby approves the application to prezone the Property as Northeast Industrial Specific Plan Zone, Tracy Municipal Code section 10.08.3022.

**SECTION 5. Petition for Annexation.** The City Council hereby grants the applicant's request to submit a petition to LAFCo

to annex the Property to the City of Tracy and directs the City Manager to prepare and submit said application in substantially the form of **Exhibit 6**.

**SECTION 6. Severability.** If any section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance is for any reason held to be invalid or unconstitutional by decision of any court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of the Ordinance. The City Council hereby declares that it would have passed this Ordinance and each section, subsection, clause or phrase thereof irrespective of the fact that one or more other sections, subsections, clauses or phrases may be declared invalid or unconstitutional.

**SECTION 7. Effective Date.** This Ordinance shall become effective upon the thirtieth (30th) day after final adoption.

**SECTION 8. Publication.** The City Clerk is directed to publish this Ordinance in a manner required by law.

**SECTION 9. Codification.** This Ordinance shall not be codified in the Tracy Municipal Code.

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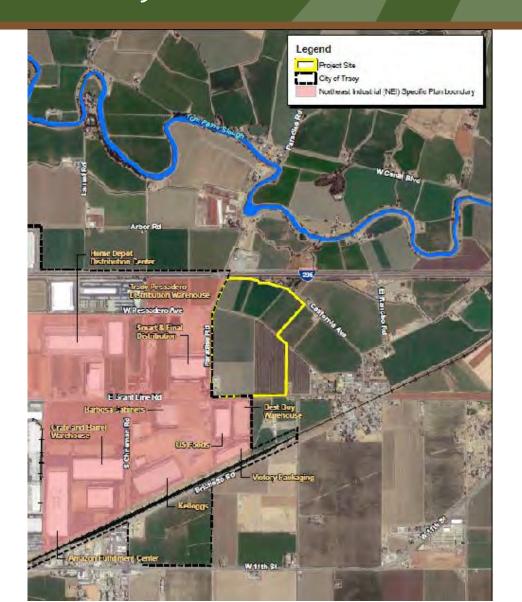
ATTACHMENT I



# Tracy Alliance Project

Application Numbers SPA22-0003 and AP20-0003

### Project Location





#### Project Summary

- Proposed Industrial Annexation in City's Sphere of Influence, 10 year horizon
- Three owners, totaling 191.18 acres: Alliance Group, Suvik Farms, Zuriakat
- If approved, to be annexed and later developed in phases
- Planning Commission recommended approval of the project on January 25, 2023



#### Phase 1 Draft Site Plan





#### Environmental Review

- EIR found Potentially Significant and Unavoidable Impacts:
- Project-level conversion of prime farmland
- Cumulative conversion of prime farmland
- Project-level impact related to implementation of the applicable air quality plan
- Project-level impact related to cumulatively considerable net increase of reactive organic gases and carbon monoxide during construction, and reactive organic gases and oxides of nitrogen during operation
- Project-level impact related to exposing sensitive receptors to substantial pollutant concentrations
- Cumulative air quality impact
- Project-level vehicle miles traveled (VMT) impact
- Cumulative VMT impact



#### Environmental Review

- CEQA requires disclosure of potential impacts and allows for projects to move forward with significant impacts, as long as appropriate findings are made.
- Findings and Statement of Overriding Considerations can be found in Attachment F to staff report
- Mitigations, as outlined in the EIR, will be completed for various impacts



#### NEI Amendment

- Annexation of the project to the City Limits will also require annexing into the NEI Specific Plan.
- Future development of the project site will be consistent with the regulations in that Specific Plan
  - Land Use
  - Site Design
  - Building Design
  - Landscaping



#### Next Steps

- City Council public hearing and action
  - EIR certification
  - Specific Plan Amendment
  - Prezoning
- If Approved:
  - Application to LAFCo
  - Annexation
  - Processing of Development Review Permits
  - Processing of Building Permits





#### **Tracy Alliance Transportation Analysis**

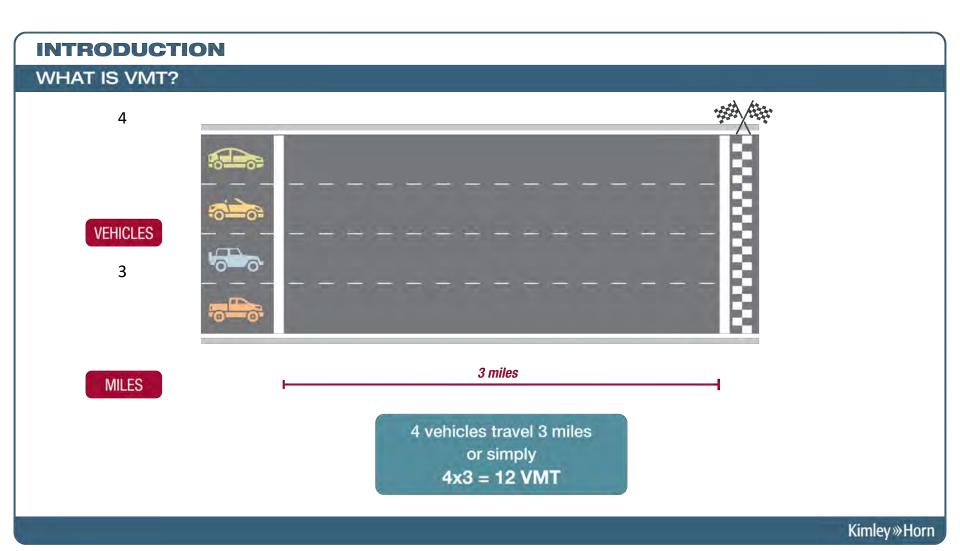
City Council Public Hearing April 18, 2023

#### SB 743 VMT Metric

- Residential: > 15% less than average VMT per/capita
- Office: > 15% less than average VMT per/employee
- Retail: Net increase in total VMT for region
- Transportation: Net increase to VMT
- Neither statute or CEQA Guidelines include thresholds



### Vehicle Miles Traveled

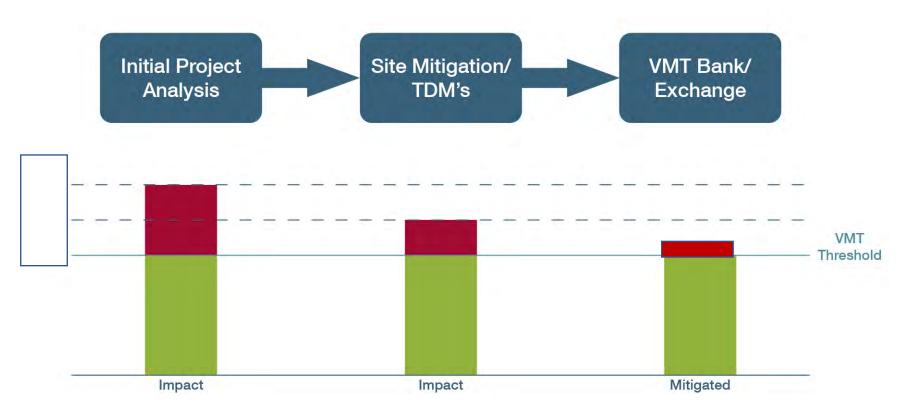


#### Project VMT

- City Employment Threshold 9.4 VMT/Employee
- Project 16.9 VMT/Employee
- Significant Transportation Impact
- Require Mitigation
- 15% reduction Feasible
  - 10% through TDM
  - 5% through payment of the VMT Mitigations Banking Fee Program



# Fee Based VMT Programs





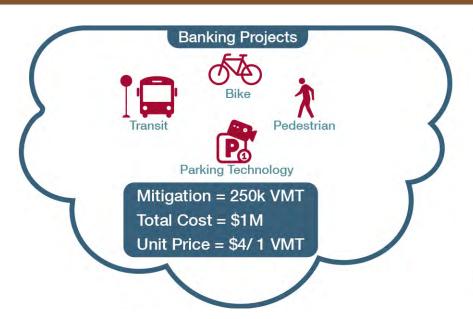
# Transportation Demand Management Mitigation Measures

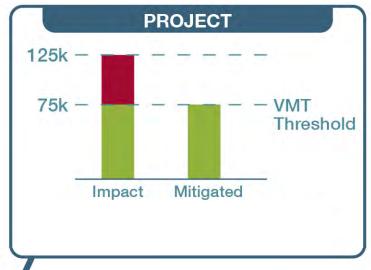
- 1. Communication and Information Strategies 4 % reduction
- 2. Telecommuting for administrative staff (5 % of staff population) 1 % reduction
- 3. Designated parking spaces for carpool vehicles 1 % reduction
- 4. Provide a transit stop along the project frontage on Grant Line Road (if agreed to by the City) 2 % reduction
- 5. Provide bike lanes and sidewalks along the project frontage 1 % reduction
- 6. Provide on-site bike racks and showers 1 % reduction

Total Estimated TDM = 10%



# How VMT Banking Works







### VMT Banking Fee

- Project shall mitigate the remaining 5% VMT (10% TDM) with VMT Banking Fee
- 5% VMT reduction = 0.845 VMT/Employee

 $3,354 \; employees * 0.845 \; VMT/employee * $633.11/VMT = $1,794,316.04$ 



#### Local Transportation Analysis Project Trip Generation

Land Uses	Project Size		Daily Total	AM Peak Hour	PM Peak Hour
Tracy Alliance Parcels Total Trips	1,849.5	ksf	2,611	225	271
Suvik and Zuriakat Parcels Total Trips	1,502.9	ksf	2,104	181	210
TOTAL TRIPS		4,715	406	481	
PASSENGER CAR			3,205	281	375
		TRUCKS	1,510	125	106

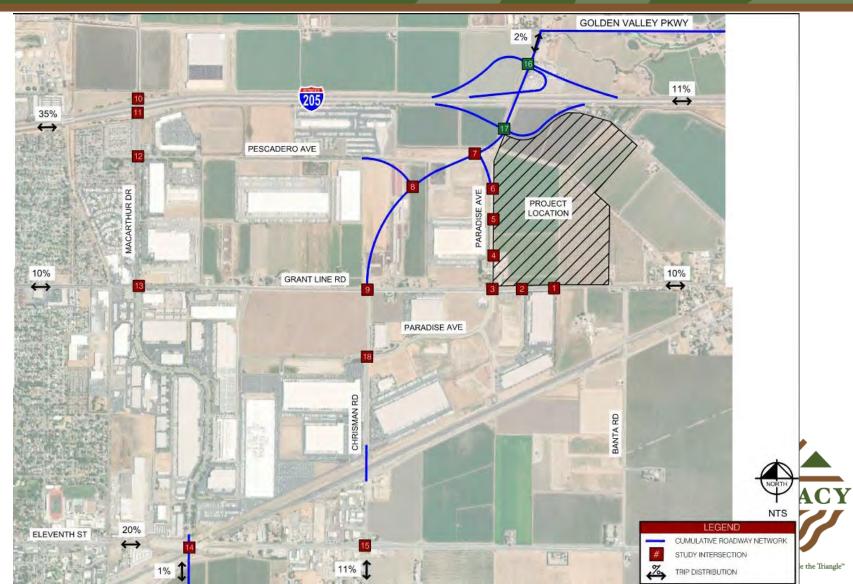
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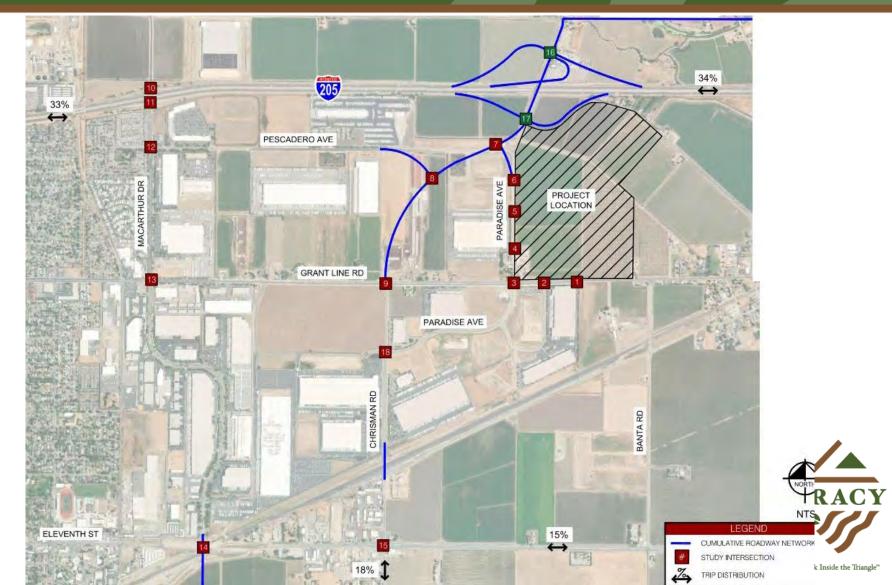
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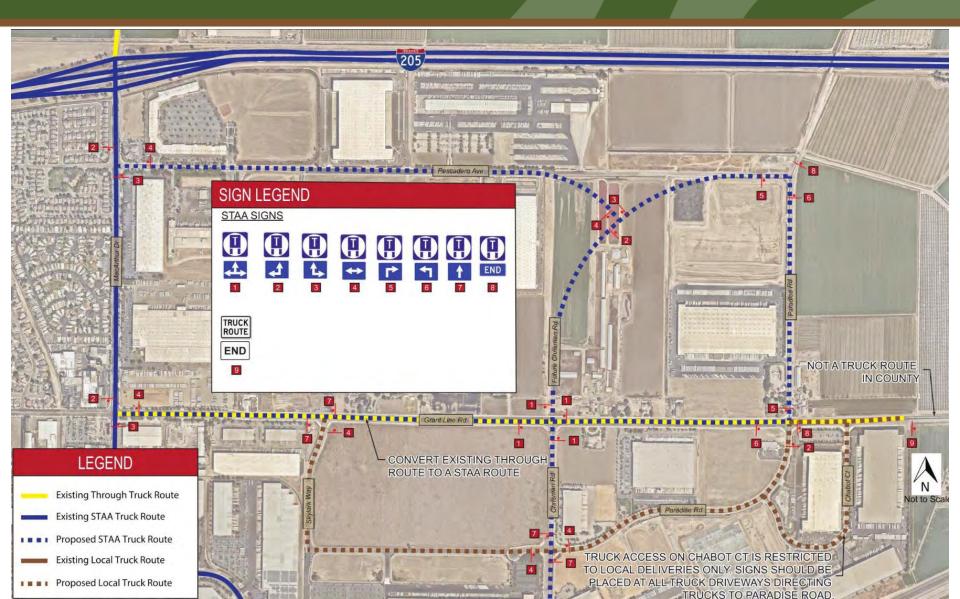
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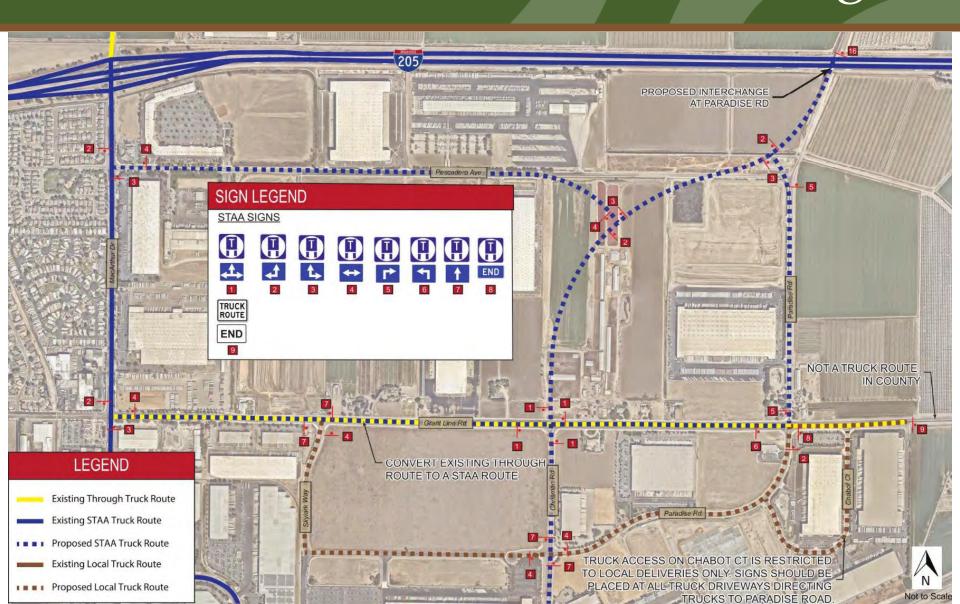
#### Truck Trip Distribution: Cumulative Conditions



## Interim NEI STAA Truck Route & Signs



# Ultimate NEI Truck Route & Signs



# Questions



#### Agenda Item 3.B

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

Staff recommends that the City Council 1) receive an update on the status of the background clearance process applicable to Cannabis Business Permit holders and 2) provide direction on whether to change current policy and code requirements impeding completion of the process.

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Sections 6.36.50 and 6.36.150 - of the Tracy Municipal Code (TMC) establish procedures for the application for a Cannabis Business Permit, which includes background check regulations for both employees and owners of Cannabis Business Permit holders in the City of Tracy (City). The City has desired to obtain both State and Federal criminal records of owners of cannabis businesses through "Live Scan" fingerprinting. This has proven to be difficult as the City still has not been granted access to the Federal databases. And, while the California State Department of Cannabis has access to these Federal databases, they conduct checks for a lower standard of ownership than that required by the City. This is an informational item to update the City Council on these issues and to obtain feedback from the City Council on how to proceed with resolving these issues.

#### BACKGROUND AND LEGISLATIVE HISTORY

Under Chapter 6.36 of the TMC, both "owners" and employees of a cannabis business are required to obtain some level of background check as a part of the process of obtaining a Cannabis Business Permit in the City.

#### **Rules Applicable to Owners**

"Owner" is defined in TMC Section 6.36.012 as follows:

"Owner" means any of the following:

- (1) A person with an aggregate ownership interest of five (5) percent or more in the person applying for a permit or a permittee, unless the interest is solely a security, lien, or encumbrance.
- (2) The chief executive officer and the members of the board of directors of the entity engaging in the cannabis business.
- (3) An individual who will be participating in the direction, control, or management of the person applying for a City cannabis business permit.

While the City's definition of a cannabis "owner" is comparable to that of the State definition, it differs significantly with respect to the percentage of ownership, as the State defines "owners" to be persons with an aggregate owner interest of 20 percent or more, not five (5) percent, as does the City. Below is the relevant statute:

Cal. Code Regs. Tit. 4, § 15003 - Owners of Commercial Cannabis Businesses

- (a) An applicant for a commercial cannabis license or a licensee shall disclose all owners of the commercial cannabis business. An owner of the commercial cannabis business includes all of the following:
  - (1) A person with an aggregate ownership interest of 20 percent or more in the commercial cannabis business, unless the interest is solely a security, lien, or encumbrance. For purposes of this section, "aggregate" means the total ownership interest held by a single person through any combination of individually held ownership interests in a commercial cannabis business and ownership interests in an entity that has an ownership interest in the same commercial cannabis business. For example, a person who owns 10 percent of the stock in a commercial cannabis business as an individual shareholder and 100 percent of the stock in an entity that owns 10 percent of the stock in the same commercial cannabis business has a 20 percent aggregate ownership interest in the commercial cannabis business.
  - (2) An individual who manages, directs, or controls the operations of the commercial cannabis business, including but not limited to:
    - (A) A member of the board of directors of a nonprofit.
    - (B) A general partner of a commercial cannabis business that is organized as a partnership.
    - (C) A non-member manager or managing member of a commercial cannabis business that is organized as a limited liability company.
    - (D) The trustee(s) and all persons who have control of the trust and/or the commercial cannabis business that is held in trust.
    - (E) The chief executive officer, president or their equivalent, or an officer, director, vice president, general manager or their equivalent.
- (b) If the commercial cannabis business is owned in whole or in part by an entity and the entity includes individuals who manage, direct, or control the operations of the commercial cannabis business, as described in subsection (a)(2)(E), those individuals shall also be disclosed as owners.
- (c) If available evidence indicates that an individual qualifies as an owner, the Department may notify the applicant or licensee that they must either disclose the individual as an owner and submit the information required by Section 15002 or demonstrate that the individual does not qualify as an owner.

Section 6.36.050(a)(i)(D) of the TMC details the background check requirements for owner applicants of Cannabis Business Permits in the City:

- D. Background checks. For each of the interested parties:
  - 1. A legible copy of one valid government-issued form of photo identification, such as a state driver's license, a passport issued by the United States, or a permanent resident card.

- 2. A list of their misdemeanor and felony convictions, if any. For each conviction, the list must set forth the date of arrest, the offense charged, the offense convicted, the sentence, the jurisdiction of the court, and whether the conviction was by verdict, plea of guilty, or plea of nolo contendere.
- 3. Consent to fingerprinting and a criminal background investigation.

#### **Rules Applicable to Employees**

The City requires all employees of cannabis businesses to obtain an employee permit. To obtain such a permit, employees must clear a background check process. The applicable requirement is set forth in TMC Section 6.36.150:

Section 6.36.150 – Cannabis Employee Permit required

(d) The Police Chief or designee(s) shall review the application for completeness, shall conduct a background check to determine whether the applicant was convicted of a crime or left a previous employer for reasons that show the applicant has ever been convicted of any of the offenses enumerated in California Business and Professions Code Section 26057(b)(4).

#### ANALYSIS AND DISCUSSION

As evidenced by the provisions above, the City has more stringent background check requirements for "owners" of cannabis businesses than for employees of such businesses. For cannabis employees, the Tracy Police Department will be using a third-party vendor (HdL companies) to conduct employee backgrounds for cannabis businesses. The City previously used HdL to conduct background checks on owners during the initial application process applicants. HdL's background check process does not include Live Scan fingerprinting (which is discussed in more detail below). Thus far, HdL has conducted 148 total background checks dating back to 2020. A link to the application can be found on the City's website, and this link goes directly to the HdL background check webpage.

As noted above, a more comprehensive background process is required for owners of cannabis businesses in the City. HdL has performed the basic background check processes for owners during the application process. However, as the HdL process does not include Live Scan fingerprinting, the Tracy Police Department has been directly handling this aspect of the process. Background check clearance through fingerprinting is a requirement of the TMC for all applicants/owners of a Cannabis Business Permit.

Live Scan is an inkless, electronic system for obtaining fingerprints. The data is transmitted directly to the relevant law enforcement databases. Live Scan reports all or part of a person's "Summary Criminal History Record", which is the criminal record kept by the California Department of Justice. This criminal history includes arrests, charges, dispositions, convictions, dismissals, diversions, identifying info (including fingerprints), "in custody" status if the person is in jail or prison, and a history of applications for certain licenses. If the requesting agency has permission, the Live Scan report can also include a person's "Federal Record".

Because Live Scans are based on fingerprints and not only on name, birth date, and demographic information, they will not give false positives, making them much more accurate than traditional background checks that are name based. Additionally, Live Scan reports can

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also give the requester subsequent notification if the person is later arrested or convicted of a crime. While the TMC is silent on this issue, the City Council made a policy decision early in the cannabis program to require applicants to obtain Live Scan fingerprinting so as to provide the Tracy Police Department both their California and Federal Criminal Records. Having both would provide the City maximum information about the criminal history, if any, of owners, particularly since the industry has entities that operate across multiple jurisdictions. However, obtaining access to the Federal databases has proven to be very difficult.

The Tracy Police Department has been working with the California State Department of Justice (DOJ) Live Scan analyst (Mariam Garcia) who serves as the State intermediary to obtain Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) fingerprint access. The process requires the City to submit a "resolution" to the FBI for approval, which resolution identifies the City's definition of owner. The City submitted the requisite resolution over a year ago and that was rejected by the FBI. In 2022, the City submitted a new resolution that included modifications recommended by the FBI. Unfortunately, the City's revised resolution for Federal and State background checks was again denied by the FBI on February 15, 2023. The FBI cited the reason as being to the City's TMC definition of cannabis owner in Section 6.36.012 (3), which is: "An individual who will be participating in the direction, control, or management of the person applying for a City cannabis business permit."

The FBI considered Section 6.36.012 (3): too vague and informed the City that its resolution would only be considered for approval if the definition of owner was revised. The City's definition of cannabis ownership follows California definition of cannabis owner, with, as stated above, the notable exception that the City's definition defines owners to be any person with 5% or more ownership interest whereas the State definition covers owners to be any persons with 20% or more ownership interest.

According to the State DOJ analyst, the FBI has been increasingly stringent with approvals since cannabis is still a Federal criminal violation. A modification to the City's municipal code would not benefit the City of Tracy as this would involve lessening the standards set forth in the City's definition of ownership. In addition, the FBI has not guaranteed that modifying the City's municipal code to reflect such lesser standards would result in an approval of a new resolution from the City; possibly adding to further delays as the City awaits the response from the FBI. In addition, changing the City's definition would limit the City's ability to hold individuals with lesser ownership percentages accountable.

As standard practice, the California State Department of Cannabis conducts Federal and State Live Scan on Cannabis owners with twenty percent or more ownership. However, due to Live Scan regulations, the Department of Cannabis Control background results cannot be shared with Tracy Police Department. Staff is still investigating whether applicants can directly obtain the results and then share them with the City. In addition, staff is investigating whether the State Department of Cannabis would conduct Live Scan for any individuals requested by applicants, which, if possible, would allow applicants to comply with the five percent requirement set forth in the TMC. Without positive answers on both of the foregoing open issues, applicants cannot move forward with satisfying the TMC requirements fully.

Staff will continue to seek state-only Live Scan access. The benefits of having a state Live Scan include the City ability to view a person's California arrest record and to be notified anytime an owner or employee is arrested in California. Staff seeks direction as to whether Council requests staff to continue seeking Federal access.

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#### STRATEGIC PLAN

This agenda item supports the City of Tracy's Public Safety and Quality of Life Strategic Priorities.

#### **FISCAL IMPACT**

This is an informational item and there is no fiscal impact associated with this agenda item. The cannabis businesses in Tracy are required to pay for the criminal background check fees.

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

Staff recommends that the City Council 1) receive an update on the status of the background clearance process applicable to Cannabis Business Permit holders and 2) provide direction on whether to change current policy and code requirements impeding completion of the process.

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Approved by: Midori Lichtwardt, Acting City Manager

#### Agenda Item 3.C

#### **REQUEST**

Staff recommends that the City Council introduce an ordinance of the City of Tracy amending Tracy Municipal Code Sections 3.04.010, 3.04.030, and 3.04.130 to increase the fine amounts for administrative citations issued for violations of Chapter 3.04, "Fireworks".

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The proposed amendments to the Tracy Municipal Code will update Sections 3.04.010, 3.04.030, and 3.04.130 to increase the fine amounts for administrative citations issued for violations of Chapter 3.04, "Fireworks".

The amendments will increase the fines for the first offense from \$100 to \$750 and from \$200 to \$1,000 for the second offense and any additional offenses thereafter.

#### DISCUSSION

The City of Tracy (City) prohibits the possession, sale, or discharge of dangerous fireworks, as defined by the Tracy Municipal Code (TMC) Section 3.04.010, and California Health and Safety Code (HS Code) Section 12505, within City limits. The City allows the possession, sale, and discharge of "safe and sane fireworks", as defined by TMC Section 3.04.010, within City limits, only during the time frames specified in TMC Section 3.04.030. State law provides for certain criminal penalties for the possession, sale, and discharge of dangerous fireworks under HS Code Sections 12700-12706.

The TMC currently provides that violations of Chapter 3.04, "Fireworks", may be prosecuted by the City as a misdemeanor, and in the alternative, the City may issue administrative citations in the amounts of \$100, \$200, and \$500. Over the last several years, the City has experienced a significant increase in the possession and discharge of dangerous fireworks in violation of the HS Code and TMC Section 3.04.030, as well as the possession and discharge of safe and sane fireworks outside of the permissible time periods specified in TMC Section 3.040.030. To further deter the possession and discharge of dangerous as well as illegal safe and sane fireworks, the City seeks to increase the fine amounts for administrative citations for relevant violations.

#### **ANALYSIS**

In 2022, during the 4th of July weekend the Police Department received many complaints regarding the illegal display of fireworks. Illegal fireworks enforcement over the 4th of July weekend resulted in the Tracy Police Department issuing 43 TMC citations and referring 14 misdemeanor citations to the District Attorney's Office for Health and Safety violations. The current \$100 fine for the first offense did not discourage community members from displaying and launching illegal fireworks into the air.

The proposed amendments to 3.04.010, 3.04.030, and 3.04.130 to increase the fine amounts for administrative citations issued for violations of Chapter 3.04, is to further deter the possession and discharge of dangerous as well as illegal safe and sane fireworks. The City seeks to increase the fine amounts for administrative citations for relevant violations and to clarify that administrative citations may be issued for safe and sane fireworks discharged outside the permissible time periods. The increased fines in first and second offenses is to dissuade community members from displaying illegal fireworks by increasing the amounts of

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administrative citations to \$750 for the first violation, and \$1,000 for the second violation and additional violations thereafter. These are the maximum fine amounts allowed by State law for general law cities.

It is the intent of the City to reasonably regulate the possession and discharge of dangerous and safe and sane fireworks outside the permissible time periods within the City to protect the public health, safety, and general welfare of its residents. This ordinance is consistent with Council's priority of public safety.

#### FISCAL IMPACT

This item has no direct fiscal impact. However, there are undetermined costs and staff time associated with the enforcement of the proposed amendments. Each call for service related to the proposed amendments will be absorbed within existing operations' and budgets.

#### PUBLIC OUTREACH/INTEREST

The proposed ordinance was presented to the Chief of Police after enforcement efforts have shown to not affect the high call volumes for displaying illegal fireworks.

#### COORDINATION

Preparation of this item involved coordination between the Police Department and the City Attorney's Office.

#### CEQA DETERMINATION

That the City Council hereby finds and determines, after independent review and consideration, as supported by substantial evidence in the record and for the reasons set forth in this Ordinance, and, each as a separate and independent basis, that the actions authorized by this Ordinance are exempt from additional review and analysis under the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") and the CEQA Guidelines (Cal. Code Regs., title 14, section 15000 et seq.) under CEQA Guidelines Section 15307 (Protection of Natural Resources), Section 15308 (Protection of the Environment), and/or Section 15061(b)(3) (Common Sense Exemption), and/or Section 15321 (Enforcement Actions). Each of the foregoing provides a separate and independent basis for CEQA compliance and, when viewed collectively, provides an overall basis for CEQA compliance.

#### STRATEGIC PLAN

This item relates to the City Council's strategic plan in the area of Public Safety.

#### ACTION REQUESTED OF THE CITY COUNCIL

Staff recommends that the City Council introduce an ordinance of the City of Tracy amending Tracy Municipal Code Sections 3.04.010, 3.04.030, and 3.04.130 to increase the fine amounts for administrative citations issued for violations of Chapter 3.04, "Fireworks".

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# **ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment A: Fireworks Ordinance

	APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY
	CITY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE
TRACY CITY (	COUNCIL
ORDINANCE NO	

AMENDING TRACY MUNICIPAL CODE SECTIONS 3.04.010, 3.04.030, AND 3.04.130 TO INCREASE THE FINE AMOUNTS FOR ADMINISTRATIVE CITATIONS ISSUED FOR VIOLATIONS OF CHAPTER 3.04, "FIREWORKS"

**WHEREAS**, the City of Tracy (City) prohibits the possession, sale, or discharge of dangerous fireworks, as defined by the Tracy Municipal Code (TMC) Section 3.04.010, and California Health and Safety Code (HS Code) Section 12505, within City limits; and

**WHEREAS**, the City allows the possession, sale, and discharge of "safe and sane fireworks", as defined by TMC Section 3.04.010, within City limits, only during the time frames specified in TMC Section 3.04.030; and

**WHEREAS**, State law provides for certain criminal penalties for the possession, sale, and discharge of dangerous fireworks under HS Code Sections 12700-12706; and

**WHEREAS**, the TMC currently provides that violations of Chapter 3.04, "Fireworks", may be prosecuted by the City as a misdemeanor, and in the alternative, the City may issue administrative citations in the amounts of \$100, \$200, and \$500; and

**WHEREAS**, over the last several years, the City has experienced a significant increase in the possession and discharge of dangerous fireworks in violation of the HS Code and TMC Section 3.04.030, as well as the possession and discharge of safe and sane fireworks outside of the permissible time periods specified in TMC Section 3.040.030; and

**WHEREAS**, to further deter the possession and discharge of dangerous as well as safe and sane fireworks, the City seeks to increase the fine amounts for administrative citations for relevant violations; and

**WHEREAS**, **Exhibit A** reflects proposed amendments to TMC Sections 3.04.010, 3.04.030, and 3.04.130 to clarify that administrative citations may be issued for safe and sane fireworks discharged outside the permissible time periods; and

**WHEREAS**, **Exhibit A** increases the amounts of administrative citations to \$750 for the first violation, and \$1,000 for the second violation and additional violations thereafter, to further deter illegal fireworks activity and to hold responsible parties accountable; and

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**WHEREAS**, it is the intent of the City to reasonably regulate the possession and discharge of dangerous and safe and sane fireworks outside the permissible time periods within the City to protect the public health, safety, and general welfare of its residents; and

#### NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TRACY DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

**SECTION 1.** Incorporation of Recitals/Findings. The City Council finds and determines the foregoing recitals are true and correct and are hereby incorporated herein as findings and determinations of the City.

**SECTION 2. Full Text**. The City Council hereby approves the Amendments to Chapter 3.04, "Fireworks" of the Tracy Municipal Code, which are specifically described on **Exhibit A**.

**SECTION 3. CEQA Determination.** That the City Council hereby finds and determines, after independent review and consideration, as supported by substantial evidence in the record and for the reasons set forth in this Ordinance, and, each as a separate and independent basis, that the actions authorized by this Ordinance are exempt from additional review and analysis under the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") and the CEQA Guidelines (Cal. Code Regs., title 14, section 15000 et seq.) under CEQA Guidelines Section 15307 (Protection of Natural Resources), Section 15308 (Protection of the Environment), and/or Section 15061(b)(3) (Common Sense Exemption), and/or Section 15321 (Enforcement Actions). Each of the foregoing provides a separate and independent basis for CEQA compliance and, when viewed collectively, provides an overall basis for CEQA compliance.

**SECTION 4. Severability.** If any section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance is for any reason held to be invalid or unconstitutional by decision of any court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of the Chapter. The City Council hereby declares that it would have passed this Ordinance and each section, subsection, clause or phrase thereof irrespective of the fact that one or more other sections, subsections, clauses or phrases may be declared invalid or unconstitutional.

**SECTION 5. Effective Date.** This ordinance shall become effective upon the thirtieth (30<sup>th</sup>) day after final adoption.

**SECTION 6. Publication.** The City Clerk is directed to publish this ordinance in a manner required by law.

**SECTION 7.** Codification. This ordinance shall be codified in the Tracy Municipal Code.

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NOES: ABSENT:	COUNCIL MEMBERS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: : COUNCIL MEMBERS:	
		NANCY D. YOUNG Mayor of the City of Tracy, California
City Clerk a	E RICHARDSON and Clerk of the Council of the cy, California	_
Date of Att	estation:	

#### **NOTICE AND DIGEST**

AMENDING TRACY MUNICIPAL CODE SECTIONS 3.04.010, 3.04.030, AND 3.04.130 TO INCREASE THE FINE AMOUNTS FOR ADMINISTRATIVE CITATIONS ISSUED FOR VIOLATIONS OF CHAPTER 3.04, "FIREWORKS"

This Ordinance (Ordinance) amends Chapter 3.04, "Fireworks" to increase the fine amounts for administrative citations issued for violations of Chapter 3.04, "Fireworks." The Ordinance will increase the fine amounts for administrative citations to \$750 for the first violation, and \$1,000 for the second violation or additional violations thereafter. The Ordinance will provide the City with a stronger mechanism for deterring illegal firework activity throughout City limits.

## Chapter 3.04 FIREWORKS<sup>1</sup>

#### 3.04.010 Definitions.

"Dangerous fireworks" means any device containing chemical elements and chemical compounds capable of burning independently of the oxygen of the atmosphere and producing audible, visual, mechanical, or thermal effects which are useful as pyrotechnic devices or for entertainment and any fireworks classified as such as defined by Sections 12505 and 12561 of the Health and Safety Code of the State of California and the sections of Title 19, Code of Regulations, Subchapter 6, pertaining to dangerous fireworks which are hereby incorporated by reference. This definition does not include ammunition used for target shooting or hunting, nor does it include what is ordinarily known as cap pistol caps, party poppers or snap caps.

"Fireworks sales stand" means any building, counter, or other structure of a temporary nature used in the sale, offering for sale, or display for sale of safe and sane fireworks.

"Nonprofit organization" means the applicant is a local nonprofit organization which shall mean any nonprofit association, club, or corporation organized for veteran, patriotic, welfare, religious, civic betterment, youth or charitable purposes as defined by Section 501(c) of the Internal Revenue Code of the United States. A local nonprofit organization must have its principal and permanent meeting place within the City of Tracy, or be within a one-mile radius of the city limits of the City Tracy, or be a school with a student body that includes City of Tracy residents and is within the Tracy Unified School District or the Jefferson School District. Non- school organizations that have their principal meeting place outside the City limits as allowed above, must show documented proof that a majority of its members are City of Tracy residents. The organization must have nonprofit status and have been organized and established for a minimum of two continuous years preceding the filing of the application for permit. The organization must have a bona fide membership of at least twenty (20) members who reside in the City, which will be verified each year. The organization must also provide direct and regular community services and benefits to the residents of the City.

"Principal and permanent meeting place" means a location that serves as the nonprofit organization's primary, fixed site for meetings.

"Private property" means any real property, place, or premises (including, but not limited to, residential, commercial, or industrial) whether occupied on a temporary or permanent basis, whether or not occupied as a dwelling, and whether owned, leased, or rented, or used with or without compensation, including, but not limited to, a home, yard, garage, apartment, condominium, hotel or motel room, or other dwelling unit, or a warehouse, hall, or meeting room.

"Public display of fireworks" means an entertainment feature where the public or private group is admitted or permitted to view the display or discharge of dangerous fireworks.

"Responsible party" includes, but it is not limited to:

(1) The person(s) who owns, rents, leases, or otherwise has possession of the private property;

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Editor's note(s)—Former Ch. 3.04, entitled "Fire Protection and Fire Prevention" §§ 3.04.010—3.04.170 was repealed by Ord. No. 1116, effective Mar. 5, 2008, which derived from: Prior code §§ 3-1.102—3-1.112, 3-1.201—3-1.204 and Ord. Nos. 1100 and 1111.

- The person(s) in immediate control of the private property; and
- (3) The person(s) who organizes, supervises, sponsors, conducts, allows, controls, or controls access to the possession, sale, or discharge of dangerous fireworks or safe and sane fireworks outside the permissible time periods specified in this Chapter.

If the private property is rented or leased, the landlord or lessor is not covered by this chapter unless he or she falls within the category of persons described under paragraph 2 or 3 of this definition. A landlord or lessor can only be held responsible under paragraph 3 of this definition if he or she has knowledge that dangerous fireworks (including a public display) are being possessed at, or discharged on the private property without obtaining a permit therefor as provided in section 3.04.020 of this Code.

"Safe and sane fireworks" also known as "state-approved fireworks" means any device containing chemical elements and chemical compounds capable of burning independently of the oxygen of the atmosphere and producing audible, visual, mechanical, or thermal effects which are useful as pyrotechnic devices or for entertainment and any fireworks which do not come within the definition of "dangerous fireworks" or "exempt fireworks" as defined by Section 12505 of the Health and Safety Code of the State of California and the sections of Title 19, Code of Regulations, Subchapter 6, pertaining to "safe and sane fireworks" which are hereby incorporated by reference. This definition does not include ammunition used for target shooting or hunting, nor does it include what is ordinarily known as cap pistol caps, party poppers or snap caps.

(Ord. No. 1158, § 1, 5-17-2011; Ord. No. 1162, § 1, 10-4-2011; Ord. No. 1215, § 1, 5-3-2016; Ord. No. 1263, § 1, 9-18-2018; Ord. No. 1297, § 1, 10-20-2020)

#### 3.04.020 Public displays; permits required.

- (a) Notwithstanding the prohibitions on dangerous and safe and sane fireworks set forth in this chapter, this section shall not prohibit public display of fireworks which may be allowed upon issuance of a permit therefore under the provisions of the Health and Safety Code of the State of California. This chapter also does not prohibit the use by railroad or other transportation agencies, for signal purposes or illumination, of torpedoes, flares or fuses; nor the sale or use of blank cartridges for theatrical or ceremonial purposes, athletic events, or military ceremonials or demonstrations.
- (b) Fireworks display permits are required to conduct a public display of fireworks as required by local and state regulations. Permit application shall be made not less than sixty (60) days prior to the scheduled date of the display. The permit application shall be in accordance with the California Fire Code and the National Fire Protection Association codes and standards 1123 and 1124 and include a diagram of the grounds on which the display is to be held showing the point at which the fireworks are to be discharged; the location of buildings, highways and other lines of communication; the lines behind which the audiences will be restrained; and the location of nearby overhead obstructions. At the time of permit application, the City Manager or designee shall be consulted regarding reasonable conditions or requirements for standby personnel and fire apparatus. Fireworks display permits shall only be granted to licensed pyrotechnic operators.
- (c) Fireworks display permits may be secured by application to the City Manager or designee. The City Manager or designee may deny issuance of such permits, provided such denial is reasonably based on public health and safety concerns, including, but not limited to, an application for another event to be held on the same date as that requested has been previously filed or approved, and the other event is so close in time and location to the event proposed as to cause undue traffic congestion or to place the City in a position of being unable to meet the needs for Fire, Police or Public Works services for both events. Any decision regarding such permits may be appealed to the City Council as set forth in section 1.12.020 of this Code.
- (d) A public display of fireworks may also require a special events permit pursuant to chapter 4.40 of this Code.

(e) The fireworks display permit fee, requisite deposits, time of payment, and insurance requirements shall be set by resolution of the City Council.

(Ord. No. 1158, § 1, 5-17-2011; Ord. No. 1162, § 1, 10-4-2011; Ord. No. 1263, § 1, 9-18-2018)

#### 3.04.030 Sale, discharge, time limit, dangerous fireworks.

- (a) Subject to the permitting provisions of this chapter, the California Fire Code, the provisions of the State Fireworks Law, Sections 12500 through 12726 of the Health and Safety Code of the State of California and any regulations promulgated thereunder, safe and sane fireworks may be discharged within the City limits of the City of Tracy during the period from noon and ending at 10:00 p.m. on the twenty-eighth day of June through the third day of July and from noon to midnight on the fourth of July, each year.
- (b) It is unlawful and shall be a misdemeanor to possess, sell or discharge dangerous fireworks within the City of Tracy.
- (c) In the alternative, the City may issue administrative citations pursuant to chapter 1.28 of this Code.
  - (1) An administrative citation may be issued to any person or responsible party for violating subsections (a) or (b) of this section.
  - (2) A responsible party need not be present at the time safe and sane fireworks are discharged outside the permissible time periods specified in subsection (b) of this section, or when dangerous fireworks are possessed, sold, or discharged for the City to issue an administration citation.
  - (3) Nothing in this Section shall be intended to limit any of the penalties provided for in this chapter or the California Health and Safety Code or Penal Code.
- (d) Safe and sane fireworks may only be sold between the hours of 12:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. on June 28, between 8:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. from June 29 through July 3, and 8:00 a.m. and 9:00 p.m. on July 4.

(Ord. No. 1158, § 1, 5-17-2011; Ord. No. 1162, § 1, 10-4-2011; Ord. No. 1263, § 1, 9-18-2018; Ord. No. 1297, § 1, 10-20-2020)

#### 3.04.040 Permit to sell and store safe and sane fireworks.

- (a) The City Council shall establish, by resolution, the process by which the City will issue annual permits to sell safe and sane fireworks and the conditions to protect health, safety, aesthetics, and such other conditions the City Council finds reasonably necessary that applicants must satisfy to receive the permits.
- (b) The City Council shall establish, by resolution, an application fee for the lottery to be eligible for an annual permit to store or sell safe and sane fireworks.
- (c) It is unlawful for any person to engage in the sale or distribution of safe and sane fireworks within the City of Tracy without first having secured an operational fire permit and a temporary use permit to do so from the City Manager or designee.
- (d) It is unlawful to store safe and sane fireworks within the City of Tracy without first having secured an operational fire permit and a temporary use permit to do so from the City Manager or designee.
- (e) The annual permit fee for the sale of safe and sane fireworks shall be set by resolution of the City Council and payable prior to permit issuance.
- (f) A temporary use permit and City business license is required pursuant to this Code.

(g) Lottery awardees and alternates, as defined by the process set forth in a Council resolution pursuant to section 3.04.050(b), may apply for an operational fire permit prior to the end of April of each year.

(Ord. No. 1158, § 1, 5-17-2011; Ord. No. 1162, § 1, 10-4-2011; Ord. No. 1263, § 1, 9-18-2018)

#### 3.04.050 Maximum number of safe and sane fireworks permits issued—Selection procedure.

- (a) The maximum number of permits to sell safe and sane fireworks, which the City may issue during any one calendar year, shall not exceed one permit for each 10,000 resident population or portion thereof. No more than one safe and sane fireworks stand can be operated under each permit. Only nonprofit organizations, as defined in this chapter, are eligible for such permits.
- (b) City Council shall provide, by City Council resolution, a process for a lottery to determine which nonprofit organizations, including alternates, will be eligible to apply for an annual permit to sell and store safe and sane fireworks.

(Ord. No. 1158, § 1, 5-17-2011; Ord. No. 1162, § 1, 10-4-2011; Ord. No. 1263, § 1, 9-18-2018)

### 3.04.060 Applications for safe and sane fireworks sales permit lottery.

Applications for the lottery to be eligible to apply for a permit to store or sell safe and sane fireworks may be filed during normal business hours from November 1st of each year up to and including the first Thursday of December of the same year, at which time the filing period for that year will close. All applications shall be submitted in writing to the City Manager or designee, on forms provided by the City and meet the following conditions:

- (a) The applicant is a nonprofit organization as defined in this chapter. Each nonprofit organization shall establish status as a 501(c) tax-exempt organization and provide a certificate of good status from the California Secretary of State and an entity status letter showing good status with the California Franchise Tax Board at the time of application. The letters shall be dated within sixty (60) days of application. The letters are required to be submitted with the application and if not submitted, the application will be rejected.
  - (1) Public school organizations shall provide current written verification of an affiliation from the school each year. Public school organizations shall establish status as a 501(c) tax-exempt organization as a separate entity from the school and must possess a nonprofit identification number.
  - (2) Each nonprofit organization may file an application for one sales permit for which there is only one tax ID number.
- (b) The nonprofit organization must possess a nonprofit identification number. However, a given identification number may not be used by more than one organization. Should the City Manager or designee determine that more than one organization has submitted the same nonprofit identification number, the City Manager or designee shall notify the organizations in writing and give each of them the opportunity to correct the situation prior to the deadline provided in this section to ensure compliance with this section. If such compliance is not achieved, none of the affected nonprofit organizations shall be eligible to receive a permit.
- (c) Applications shall be signed by two (2) bona fide officers of the eligible nonprofit organization, wherein the officer, on behalf of the organization and its agents, agrees to abide by state laws, administrative regulations, and all requirements of this Code and the permit if permission to operate a safe and sane fireworks stand is granted to the organization, and both:

- (1) Has not been found by any court of competent jurisdiction or City administrative hearing officer to be in violation of any civil or criminal, local, state or federal law relating to fireworks within twenty-four (24) calendar months prior to the organization's submittal of an application for a permit to sell safe and sane fireworks, and
- (2) Has not had a permit to sell safe and sane fireworks revoked within twenty-four (24) calendar months prior to the organization's submittal of an application for a permit to sell.
- (d) (1) Should the City Manager or designee determine that a lottery awardee does not satisfy these requirements or otherwise comply with requirements of this Chapter, the lottery awardee's application shall be denied.
  - (2) If an awardee is found to have falsified or misrepresented its status as an eligible organization as defined by this Chapter, or provided false information on the approved application, the organization will be ineligible to apply for a safe and sane fireworks sales permit for a period of two (2) years.

(Ord. No. 1158, § 1, 5-17-2011; Ord. No. 1162, § 1, 10-4-2011; Ord. No. 1215, § 2, 5-3-2016; Ord. No. 1263, § 1, 9-18-2018)

#### 3.04.070 Documents and fees required for fireworks sales permit issuance.

- (a) In addition to all other requirements contained in this chapter, each lottery awardee shall comply with each of the following requirements:
  - (1) Apply for an operational fire permit to store or sell safe and sane fireworks on a form approved by the City Manager or designee with the required permit fee as established by City Council resolution paid prior to permit issuance.
  - (2) State of California Fire Marshal's firework retail license.
  - (3) Provide proof of a temporary sellers permit from the State Board of Equalization.
  - (4) Sign a form provided by the City, whereby the lottery awardee agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the City, its officers, employees, volunteers and agents from any and all claims, damages, demands, liability, costs, losses, and expenses, including, without limitation, court costs and reasonable attorneys' fees arising out of or in connection with the permittee's sale of safe and sane fireworks, except such loss or damage which was solely caused by the active negligence, sole negligence, or willful misconduct of the City, its officers, employees, or agents.
  - (5) Furnish to the City proof of coverage by a policy of public liability and property damage insurance. The policy shall provide limits of bodily injury and property damage liability of not less than five million dollars (\$5,000,000.00) combined single limit for each occurrence annually as payment for damages to persons or property which may result from or be caused by the public sale or storage of safe and sane fireworks, or any negligence on the part of the permittee or his or her agents, servants, employees or subcontractors relating thereto.
  - (6) Obtain a temporary use permit from the City of Tracy and provide any other information as may be required by the City Manager or designee.
  - (7) A site plan of the fireworks sales stand area, to scale, shall be provided. The site plan shall include site location, fireworks sales stand location, parking areas, access to and from the fireworks sales stand area, all equipment to be used at the fireworks sales stand and the locations for the equipment, location of trash area, location of trailer parking area, and any additional information as requested by the City Manager or designee, in compliance with the operational fire permit requirements.

- (b) The City Manager or designee may revoke, immediately and without notice or hearing, the safe and sane fireworks sales permit of any organization when any of the provisions of this Code, the Health and Safety Code, the Uniform Fire Code, the California Code of Regulations, or any other applicable law or regulation are violated. The decision of the City Manager, or designee, shall be final.
- (c) Revocation of any permit will be effective for that calendar year.
- (d) Permits for retail sales of safe and sane fireworks issued pursuant to the provisions of this section are not transferable to any other person or organization and are issued for the purpose of operating a single safe and sane fireworks sales booth at the approved location. The permit may be used only by the organization to which it is issued.
- (e) Each applicant that has been granted a permit shall have no less than two (2) members of its sales staff attend an operator safety seminar approved and supervised by the City Manager or designee.

(Ord. No. 1158, § 1, 5-17-2011; Ord. No. 1162, § 1, 10-4-2011)

#### 3.04.080 Operation of safe and sane fireworks stand only by permittee.

- (a) It is unlawful for the permittee organization to allow any person or entity other than the permittee organization to operate the safe and sane fireworks sales stand for which the permit is issued, whether by agreement, assignment or otherwise. Violations will result in the immediate loss of the organization's permit.
- (b) It is unlawful for any nonprofit organization to pay any consideration to any person for selling or otherwise participating in the sale of safe and sane fireworks at such fireworks sales stand, except the hiring of a night watchman or security officer.
- (c) Each fireworks sales stand must have a minimum of one adult twenty-one (21) years of age or older in attendance and in charge thereof while safe and sane fireworks are stored therein.
- (d) No person may sleep in or remain in the fireworks sales stand after close of business.
- (e) All unsold safe and sane fireworks must be removed from the fireworks sales stand during nonsale hours and stored in a centrally located, locked metal container or other secure and fire-safe structure during nonsale periods. Each permittee shall provide a storage location and container for storage of its stand's fireworks. The container shall be approved by the City Manager or designee and located in an M-1 or M-2 zoned location approved by the Development and Engineering Services Director and the City Manager or designee. Such storage shall comply with all requirements of this Code, including applicable additional permit requirements. Permittees may satisfy these storage requirements through the use of a safe and sane fireworks wholesaler, provided such wholesaler also complies with all requirements of this Code, including additional permit requirements.
- (f) Each fireworks sales stand must have on duty at all times during the sales period at least one salesperson who attended the City of Tracy operator safety seminar, required pursuant to section 3.04.070.
- (g) Permittees shall require all persons who appear to be under the age of thirty (30) years to provide proof of age and shall make no sales of safe and sane fireworks to persons younger than eighteen (18) years of age.

(Ord. No. 1158, § 1, 5-17-2011; Ord. No. 1162, § 1, 10-4-2011; Ord. No. 1263, § 1, 9-18-2018)

#### 3.04.090 Requirements of safe and sane fireworks sales stand.

All retail sales of safe and sane fireworks shall be made from within a temporary fireworks sales stand only, and sales from any other building or structure are hereby prohibited. Safe and sane fireworks sales stands are subject to the following requirements:

- (a) No fireworks sales stand shall be put in place by the permittee any earlier than 8:00 a.m. on June 20 of each year, provided there is no sale or storage of safe and sane fireworks prior to the time periods set forth in section 3.04.030.
- (b) No fireworks sales stand shall be located within twenty-five (25) feet of any building or structure, within five (5) feet of any curb line, or within 100 feet of any gasoline pump.
- (c) A minimum of 100 feet shall be maintained from any building used as a school, day care, hospital, place of detention, public garage or place of assembly that can accommodate 300 or more occupants and the fireworks sales stand.
- (d) A minimum of twenty (20) feet of separation shall be provided between the fireworks sales stand and the parked vehicles of the public.
- (e) No fireworks sales stand shall interfere with required site access, circulation, fire lanes or fire hydrants.
- (f) No weeds or other combustible materials are permitted within twenty-five (25) feet of any fireworks sales stand.
- (g) No generators shall be allowed within twenty-five (25) feet of any fireworks sales stand.
- (h) Smoking and the consumption of alcoholic beverages shall not be allowed within fifty (50) feet of any fireworks sales stand and "No Smoking" signs shall be displayed on and in the fireworks sales stand.
- (i) Each fireworks sales stand shall be provided with two (2), two and one-half (2.5) gallon pressurized water-type fire extinguishers, or two (2) 2A10BC dry chemical/powder-type fire extinguishers, in good working order, and easily accessible for use.
- (j) The permit to sell safe and sane fireworks shall be displayed in a prominent place within the fireworks sales stand and shall at all times be visible to members of the public.
- (k) Fireworks sales stands shall be either twenty-four (24) or thirty-two (32) feet long by eight (8) feet wide. Fireworks sales stands twenty-four (24) feet in length shall have two (2) exits and a maximum occupancy of six (6) people. Firework sales stands thirty-two (32) feet in length shall have three (3) exits and a maximum occupancy of eight (8) people.
- (I) All fireworks sales stands shall be built and maintained in accordance with the safety requirements of the City prior to opening for business.
- (m) All unsold safe and sane fireworks and accompanying litter shall be cleared from the location by 5:00 p.m. on July 5, and the fireworks sales stand shall be removed from the temporary location by 12:00 p.m. on July 9 of each year. If the permittee does not remove the fireworks sales stand and/or clean the sales site as required, the City may do so, or cause the same to be done, and the reasonable cost thereof shall be charged against the permittee.

(Ord. No. 1158, § 1, 5-17-2011; Ord. No. 1162, § 1, 10-4-2011; Ord. No. 1263, § 1, 9-18-2018)

#### 3.04.100 Locations for discharge.

- (a) It shall be unlawful and a misdemeanor to discharge any dangerous or safe and sane fireworks, on public, semipublic or private open areas such as parking lots, vacant properties, or open commercial or industrial areas, except in those areas approved by the City Manager or designee as provided in section 3.04.020 of this chapter.
- (b) It is unlawful for any person to ignite, explode, project, or otherwise fire or use, any safe and sane fireworks, or to permit the ignition, explosion or projection thereof, upon or over or onto the property of another

- without his or her consent, or to ignite, explode, project, or otherwise fire or make use of, any safe and sane fireworks within ten (10) feet of any residential dwelling or other structure.
- (c) It is unlawful for any person to discharge any safe and sane fireworks within 100 feet of a fireworks sales stand.
- (d) When discharging safe and sane fireworks, a water source must be within 100 feet of the discharge location.

(Ord. No. 1158, § 1, 5-17-2011; Ord. No. 1162, § 1, 10-4-2011; Ord. No. 1263, § 1, 9-18-2018)

#### 3.04.110 Sales and use by minors.

- (a) It is unlawful for any person under the age of eighteen (18) to sell, or handle for sale, any classification of fireworks.
- (b) It is unlawful for any person under the age of eighteen (18) to purchase or be allowed to purchase any classification of fireworks.
- (c) It is unlawful for any person having the care, custody or control of a minor under the age of eighteen (18) to permit such minor to discharge, explode, fire, or set off any safe and sane fireworks, as defined herein, unless such minor does so under the direct supervision of a parent or guardian, or such other person having care, custody or control of such minor.

(Ord. No. 1158, § 1, 5-17-2011; Ord. No. 1162, § 1, 10-4-2011; Ord. No. 1263, § 1, 9-18-2018)

#### 3.04.120 State law.

The provisions of this chapter are in addition to applicable state and federal law, including, but not limited to, the State Fireworks Law (California Health and Safety Code, Sections 12500 through 12726), the State Fireworks Regulations (Title 19, California Code Regulations, Chapter 6), the California Fire Code and any and all other state or federal laws or regulations pertaining to the sale or use of fireworks.

(Ord. No. 1158, § 1, 5-17-2011; Ord. No. 1162, § 1, 10-4-2011; Ord. No. 1263, § 1, 9-18-2018)

#### 3.04.130 Violation.

Any violation of any of the provisions of this Chapter may be prosecuted as a misdemeanor, and may be enforced by any of the methods provided in chapter 1.04 of this Code. If an administrative citation is issued for a violation of the Chapter, the penalty amounts shall be as follows:

- (1) \$750 for the first violation; and
- (2) \$1,000 for the second violation and any other violations thereafter.

(Ord. No. 1158, § 1, 5-17-2011; Ord. No. 1162, § 1, 10-4-2011; Ord. No. 1263, § 1, 9-18-2018)

#### 3.04.140 Enforcement.

Sworn Peace Officers and other City staff with training in the powers of arrest and designated by the Police Chief or Fire Chief are authorized to enforce this chapter pursuant to section 3.04.130, above.

(Ord. No. 1158, § 1, 5-17-2011; Ord. No. 1162, § 1, 10-4-2011; Ord. No. 1263, § 1, 9-18-2018)

#### Agenda Item 3.D

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

Staff recommends that the City Council receive a report on City Council's FY 2022-2023 Operating Budget for travel and related expenses.

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

At the March 21, 2023 meeting, the City Council requested staff return with an informational item on their FY 2022-23 Operating Budget for travel and related expenses.

#### BACKGROUND AND LEGISLATIVE HISTORY

The City Council's budget is reflected in Account 125-61101 of the FY 2022-23 Operating and Capital Budget (Budget). **Attachment A** shows the full itemized budget, along with actual expenses incurred up to April 10, 2023, for this account for fiscal year 2022-2023. The City Council has three account lines related to travel: Travel (5228, consisting of lodging, meals, transportation); Memberships (5292); and Registration (5293).

#### **ANALYSIS AND DISCUSSION**

On May 18, 2022, the City Council approved the original FY 2022-23 Operating and Capital Budget, with line-item budgets for Travel (5228), Memberships (5292), and Registration (5293), as show below. These original appropriations were based on amounts spent by the City Council in prior years. To accommodate additional approved travel requests, on February 21, 2023, the City Council approved a budget augmentation of \$50,000 to increase the City Council's Travel (5228) line-item budget to \$103,354. Staff did not bring a request to augment other line items at that time, as staff was unaware that some of the additional approved travel required additional membership fees. In the chart below, staff has estimated the travel costs for the remaining part of the year and reported it as an encumbrance, as some travel expenses have not completed the payment processes. Also, since the last meeting, some Councilmembers have cancelled approved travel plans, so the travel line item now appears to be within the augmented budget amount.

#### City Council FY 2022-23 Travel Budget

ACCOUNT	ACCOUNT DESCRIPTION	ORIGINAL APPROP	AUGMENT	REVISED BUDGET	YTD EXPENDED	ENCUMBR.	PROJECTED FY 2023	AVAILABLE BUDGET	% USED
12561101- 5228	Travel, Meals & Lodging	53,354	50,000	103,354	15,987.00	59,107	75,094	28,260	76%
12561101- 5292	Memberships	1,545	0	1,545	8,145.00	0	8,145	-6,600	527%
12561101- 5293	Seminar, Conf, Registration	6,592	0	6,592	14,034.00	718	14,752	-8,160	224%

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Councils travel has increased over the last three years, so have the requests for registration and memberships to organizations related to travel. To appropriately budget for these additional amounts and have clear guidelines on how these expenses can be incurred by Councilmembers, staff has recommended various modifications to the City Council's travel policy which is a separate agenda item for this City Council meeting. Below is a summary of these expenses since fiscal year 2018. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, travel and related expenses for fiscal years 2020 and 2021 were significantly lower than years prior.

ACCOUNT	ACCOUNT DESCRIPTION	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022	REVISED FY 2023	PROJECTED FY 2023
12561101- 5228	Travel, Meals & Lodging	27,425	44,023	6,412	130	34,095	103,354	75,094
12561101- 5292	Memberships	300	1,725	0	400	400	1,545	8,145
12561101- 5293	Seminar, Conf, Registration	5,560	5,200	1,711	3,530	7,370	6,592	14,752

Beginning on the next page is a table of the City Council travel expenses in FYE 2023 by individual Councilmember, including estimated travel costs anticipated to be incurred for the remainder of this fiscal year (April-June 2023).

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	YOUNG	DAVIS	ARRIOLA	BEDOLLA	<b>EVANS</b>	VARGAS
2022 Airport Conf 8/3 - 8/4 2022	1	1				
Travel-5228	-	-	-	-	-	533
Registration-5293	-	-	-	-	-	400
CalCities Board of Directors (BOD	) Meeting,	Garden G	ove, 7/13 - 7	/15 2022		
Travel-5228	265	-	446	-	-	-
Registration-5293	-	-	-	-	-	-
2022 CalCities Annual Conf, Long	g Beach, 9/7	- 9/9 2022				
Travel-5228	1,238	1,217	1,141	1,113	-	1,345
Membership-5292*	200	450	150	150	-	-
Registration-5293	600	600	600	600	-	600
*Memberships for CalCi	ties is a City r	nembership	ı and funded fro	om City Manag	ers Budget.	ı
2022 Rail-Volution Conf, Miami,	FL 10/29 - 1	1/3 2022				
Travel-5228	-	-	-	2,638	-	-
Registration-5293	-	-	-	606	-	-
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CalCities BOD Meeting, Montere		2/2 2022				
Travel-5228	165	-	-	-	-	165
Registration-5293	-	-	-	-	-	-
2023 US Conf of Mayors - 91st Wi	nter Meeti	ng WDC 1	/16 - 1/21 20	23		
Travel-5228	3,429	-	-	-	_	-
Membership-5292*	2,195	_	_	_	_	_
Registration-5293	2,500	_	_	_	_	_
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CalCities BOD Meeting, Artesia,	CA 2/23-2/2	24 2023				
Travel-5228	413	-	-	-	-	-
Registration-5293	-	-	-	-	-	-
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2023 CalCities New Mayors and 0	Council Aca	demy, Sacı	ramento, 1/1	8 - 1/20 2023		
Travel-5228	-	925	925	-	733	-
Registration-5293	-	625	625	-	625	-
2023 P3 Conf, Dallas, TX 3/5 - 3/7	2023					
Travel-5228		1,787	_	1,666	_	_
Registration-5293	_	-,,,,,,	_	-	_	_
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(continued)	YOUNG	DAVIS	ARRIOLA	BEDOLLA	EVANS	VARGAS					
2023 NLC Congressional City Con	f, WDC, 3/2	4 - 3/29 20	23	•	•	•					
Travel-5228	5,415	5,388	5,480	5,177	4,058	-					
Membership-5292*	-	-	-	-	-	-					
Registration-5293	650	515	825	710	515	-					
*Memberships for National League of Cities is a City membership and funded from City Managers Budget.  Memberships for Caucus Membership are unique to the Councilmember and funded in the City Council Budget.  2023 CalCities City Leaders Summit, Sacramento, 4/12 - 4/14 2023											
Travel-5228	883	883	883	883	_						
	625	625	625	625	-	-					
Registration-5293	023	023	025	023	-	-					
2023 African American Mayors Co	onference,	l WDC, 4/19	l ) - 4/21 2023	l		l					
Travel-5228 (Estimating ~\$5,000)	-	-	-	-	-	-					
Membership-5292*	5,000	-	-	-	-	-					
2023 Tracy Federal Lobby Trip, W	DC, 4/24 - 4	/29 2023	in the City Cou	Tion Budget.							
Travel-5228 (Estimating ~\$5,000)	•	5,013	5,013	-	-	-					
2023 SJCOG One Voice Trip, WDC		2023	4 150	4 150	4.150						
Travel-5228 (Estimating ~\$4,500)	2,598	-	4,159	4,159	4,159	-					
Registration-5293	-	-	175	175	175	-					
Other Mileage											
Reimbursements (estimated)	800	-	-	-	-	-					
Other Registration	131					-					
Travel-5228	\$ 15,206	\$15,212	\$ 18,047	\$ 15,636	\$ 8,950	\$ 2,043					
Membership-5292	\$ 7,395	\$ 450	\$ 150	\$ 150	\$ -	\$ -					
Registration-5293	\$ 4,506	\$ 2,365	\$ 2,850	\$ 2,716	\$ 1,315	\$ 1,000					
Grand Total	\$ 27,107	\$18,027	\$ 21,047	\$ 18,502	\$10,265	\$ 3,043					

#### FISCAL IMPACT

Below is a table of the City Council's projected travel and related expenses for FY 2022-23.

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#### STRATEGIC PLAN

This agenda item supports the City's Governance Strategic Priority, with Goal 2: Ensure short and long-term fiscal health.

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

Staff recommends that the City Council receive a report on City Council's FY 2022-2023 Operating Budget for travel and related expenses.

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Attachments

A. City Council FY 2022-23 Budget to Actual report as of 4/10/2023

# **City of Tracy**



# YEAR-TO-DATE BUDGET REPORT

FOR 2023 13							
ACCOUNTS FOR: 125 Central Administration	ORIGINAL APPROP	TRANFRS/ ADJSTMTS	REVISED BUDGET	YTD EXPENDED	ENCUMBRANCES		PCT USED
12561101 Legislation & Policy							
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TOTAL Legislation & Policy	309,849	50,000	359,849	269,545.58	2,682.14	87,621.28 75	.7%
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TOTAL EXPENSES	309,849	50,000	359,849	269,545.58	2,682.14	87,621.28	

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# YEAR-TO-DATE BUDGET REPORT

FOR 2023 13								
		ORIGINAL APPROP	TRANFRS/ ADJSTMTS	REVISED BUDGET	YTD EXPENDED	ENCUMBRANCES	AVAILABLE BUDGET	PCT USED
	GRAND TOTAL	309,849	50,000	359,849	269,545.58	2,682.14	87,621.28	75.7%

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#### Agenda Item 3.E

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

Staff recommends that the City Council 1) rescind Resolution 2021-140, which adopted and amended the Policy for Reimbursement for Travel and Expenses for Elected and Appointed Officials; and 2) approve a resolution adopting a new Policy for Reimbursement for Travel and Expenses for Elected and Council-Appointed Officials.

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

On April 17, 2007, the City Council approved, by Resolution 2007-075, the Policy for Reimbursement for Travel and Expenses for Elected and Appointed Officials (Existing Policy). The Policy has been amended only once since its original adoption. To reflect recent travel and membership requests by the City Council and update the Policy generally, staff is recommending that the City Council adopt an amended and restated Policy for Reimbursement for Travel and Expenses for Elected and Council-Appointed Officials (Proposed Policy). The Proposed Policy covers most expenses incurred by the City Council and well as travel costs incurred by the Elected City Treasurer and officials appointed by the City Council, such as the Commissioners of the City, the City Manager, and the City Attorney.

#### BACKGROUND AND LEGISLATIVE HISTORY

Government Code section 36514.5 allows Councilmembers to be reimbursed for actual and necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their official duties. In January 2006, in accordance with AB 1234 (found in Government Code sections 53232 et seq.), the City Council adopted a "Policy for Reimbursement for Travel and Expenses for Elected and Appointed Officials". Government Code section 53232.2 requires all local agencies, which provide reimbursements to members of its legislative body, adopt a written policy identifying what expenses qualify for reimbursement and requiring the filing of expense reports. On April 17, 2007, the City Council approved resolution 2007-075 the Policy for Reimbursement for Travel and Expenses for Elected and Appointed Officials (Policy). The City Council has only made one amendment to the Policy. On October 5, 2021, the City Council adopted Resolution 2021-140 amending the Policy to allow for travel reimbursement for expenses related to "Events where attendance of the Mayor and/or City Council is requested to attend and present a certificate on behalf of the City." Notably, this amendment made the distinction that a City certificate/proclamation was presented at the event to qualify for Existing Policy.

On July 5, 2022, then Mayor ProTem Vargas requested a change to the City Council Existing Policy so that the Council may travel to conferences in which the City holds a memberships, like National League of Cities, as needed, for travel out-of-state. The request was seconded by then Councilmember Davis. Currently, section A of the Existing Policy states: "Expenses for international and out-of-state travel, other than the annual "One-Voice" trip to Washington D.C. coordinated through the San Joaquin County Council of Governments, require prior City Council approval." Given that the last comprehensive amendments to the Existing Policy took place 16 years ago, staff has compiled a variety of amendments to modernize the policy. Staff recommends that the City Council review the Proposed Policy reflecting various amendments and updates and adopt a Resolution to adopt it.

#### ANALYSIS AND DISCUSSION

The City Council of the City of Tracy believes that it is important that elected officials and officials appointed by the City Council (including the City Manager, City Attorney, Planning Commissioners, Parks Commissioners, Transportation Commissioners and other volunteer members of boards, commissions, and committees, collectively, "Officials") be governed by the Proposed Policy with respect to travel and expense reimbursements. The Existing Policy was written in 2007 and has only had one minor amendment in that time. With the request by Council to revisit the Existing Policy, staff has gathered more than two dozen city travel and expense policies to evaluate and recommend a new policy for the Officials.

Attached to this staff report is the redline of the Existing policy showing the proposed changes and a clean version of the Proposed Policy that will replace the Existing Policy. The majority of the Proposed Policy consists of modernization and/or clarification of various definitions of authorized, unauthorized, and transportation expenses. One notable change in the Proposed Policy provides for the use of IRS per diem for meal costs and removes the requirement for receipts. This change was made to the City Employee Travel Policy in 2019. Similarly, the replacement of Travel Authorization Request replaces the need for Cash Advance Policy sections in the Proposed Policy.

The other notable change is that each Elected Official will have an individual budget, to be separately approved by the City Council through the City Budget approval process. Expenses incurred in connection with the Proposed Policy generally constitute authorized expenses, as long as the other requirements of this policy are met and do not exceed the budget allocation of each Official. The budget allocation will be for all costs, including the cost of registration and/or memberships required to secure the relevant travel and/or training.

#### FISCAL IMPACT

Below is a table of the City Council's projected travel and related expenses for FY 2022-23. An information item on the budget is presented with tonight's agenda.

ACCT	ACCOUNT DESCRIPTION	ORIGINAL APPROP	AUGMENT	REVISED BUDGET	YTD EXPENDED	ENCUMBR.	PROJECTED FY 2023	AVAILABLE BUDGET	% USED
12561101- 5228	Travel, Meals & Lodging	53,354	50,000	103,354	15,987	59,107	75,094	28,260	76%
12561101- 5292	Memberships	1,545	0	1,545	8,145	0	8,145	-6,600	527%
12561101- 5293	Seminar, Conf, Registration	6,592	0	6,592	14,034	718	14,752	-8,160	224%

#### COORDINATION

Staff compared the Proposed Policy with the City of Tracy Employee Travel Policy and aligned language in the two policies. Staff gathered sample City Council policies from Institute of Local Government, California League of Cities resource boards, and other cities; analyzing more than a dozen California cities to obtain uniform language. In addition, staff referenced the Internal Revenue Services (IRS) Fringe Benefits guidelines for reimbursable travel expenses.

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#### STRATEGIC PLAN

This agenda item supports the City's Governance Strategic Priority, with Goal 2: Ensure short and long-term fiscal health.

#### RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the City Council 1) rescind Resolution 2021-140, which adopted and amended the Policy for Reimbursement for Travel and Expenses for Elected and Appointed Officials; and 2) approve a resolution adopting a new Policy for Reimbursement for Travel and Expenses for Elected and Council-Appointed Officials

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Approved by: Midori Lichtwardt, Acting City Manager

#### **ATTACHMENTS**

- A. Redline Policy and Procedure for Reimbursement for Travel and Expenses
- B. Clean Policy and Procedure for Reimbursement for Travel and Expenses
- C. Staff Report April 17, 2007, with Resolution 2007-075 Elected Appointed Officials Travel Policy
- D. Staff Report October 5, 2021, with Resolution 2021-140 Adoption of Amended Policy for Reimbursement for Travel and Expenses for Elected and Appointed Officials
- E. City of Tracy Employee Travel Policy 2019
- F. Supplemental Sources.

#### POLICY FOR REIMBURSEMENT FOR TRAVEL AND EXPENSES FOR ELECTED AND APPOINTED OFFICIALS

The City Council of the City of Tracy believes that it is important that elected and appointed officials and officials appointed by the City (Council (including the City Manager, City Attorney, Planning Commissioners, Parks Commissioners, Transportation Commissioners and other volunteer members of boards, commissions, and committees, collectively, "Officials") be governed by this Policy with respect to travel and expense reimbursements. Employees not covered by this policy shall be governed by the City of Tracy Travel Expense Administrative Policy.)

<u>The City Council believes that said officials should</u> remain informed and trained in issues affecting the affairs of the City and that attendance at institutes, hearings, meetings, conferences, or other gatherings is of value to the City and its citizens. The benefits include:

- a. The opportunity to discuss the community's concerns with state and federal officials;
- b. Participation in regional, state and national organizations whose activities affect the City;
- c. Attending educational seminars improve officials' skill and information levels; and
- d. Promoting public service and morale by recognizing such service.

At the same time, the City Council believes that travel expenses can be significant costs to the City and that Officials should be judicious when making travel arrangements and abide by all applicable laws and regulations regarding reimbursement of travel expenses. In order to promote the noted these endeavors, to while protecting public resources and foster public trust in the use of those resources, as well as comply with state law requirements regarding reimbursement of expenses, the City Council hereby sets forth the travel and expense reimbursement policies for the Officials of the City of Tracy.

All anticipated conferences, conventions and professional meetings shall be budgeted for in the current operating budget. As the trip is being paid for with public funds, it shall be the responsibility of the Oefficial undertaking the trip to make every effort to attend the entire conference and/or as many sessions as possible.

Elected Officials also must comply with the requirements of the Ralph P. Brown Act (Act), during attendance at any conferences, conventions and professional meetings, regardless of whether such events occur outside of California. Elected Officials shall make travel arrangements and participate at events in a manner that appropriately complies with the Act.

All elected officials and City Council appointed officials (including the City Manager and City Attorney) who receive compensation for their service or reimbursement for their expenses shall comply with this Policy. This shall include Planning Commissioners, Parks Commissioners, Transportation Commissioners and other Commissioners appointed by City Council.

#### A. AUTHORIZED EXPENSES

Travel expenses shall be allowed or reimbursed for days actually spent on City business, for programmed days of a conference or meeting, and for time spent in travel to and from these events. Expenses shall be computed for the days of the conference or event attended and for travel days not to exceed one day before and after the event and shall be allowed only if time and/or travel schedules prohibit travel at reasonable hours on the actual beginning and ending days of a conference and/or meeting. Reasonable hours for purposes of this Policy are defined as the hours between 7 a.m.

#### and 11 p.m.

City funds, equipment, supplies (including letterhead), titles, and staff time must only be used for authorized City business. Expenses incurred in connection with the following types of activities generally constitute authorized expenses, as long as the other requirements of this Policy are metiand are do not exceed the budget allocation of each Official, including the cost of individual and or Citywide memberships required to secure the travel and/or training:

- 1. Communicating with representatives of regional, state and national government on City adopted policy positions;
- 2. Attending educational seminars designed to improve Oefficials' skill and information levels;
- 3. Participating in regional, state and national organizations whose activities affect the Ceity's interests;

4. Recognizing service to the City (for example, thanking a longtime employee with a retirement gift or celebration of nominal value and cost);

### 5. Attending City events;

- 6.5. Implementing a <u>CityCouncil</u>-approved strategy for attracting or retaining businesses <u>to-in</u> the City, <u>for</u> which<u>the City Manager has requested Council attendance and</u> will <u>typically-involve</u> at least one staff member;
- 7.6. Meetings such as those listed above for which a meeting stipend is expresslyauthorized under this Policy;
- 8.7. <u>City Council members may be reimbursed for Internet, wi-fi</u> and/or Cable TV expenses related to, and used in connection with, their official duties <u>of City Council Members</u>; and
- 9.8. Events where attendance of the Mayor and/or City Council is requested to attend and present a certificate on behalf of the City.

All other expenditures require prior approval by the City Council.

Expenses for international and out-of-state travel, other than the annual "One-Voice" trip to Washington D.C. coordinated through the San Joaquin County Council of Governments, require prior City Council approval, with the exception of the following travel:

- City's annual Federal Lobby travel to Washington DC
- San Joaquin Council of Governments (SJCOG) annual "One Voice" travel to Washington DC
- National League of Cities annual Congressional Conference travel to Washington DC

For the purposes of this Policy, if the City pays directly for the expenses <u>such expenses are it is</u> not <u>considered aeligible for</u> reimbursement (e.g. conference fees).

# B. <u>EXPENSES NOT ELIGIBLE FOR REIMBURSEMENTUNAUTHORIZED EXPENSES</u>

The City is subject to applicable State and federal laws regarding what constitutes reimbursable employee expenses. Certain expenses incurred by City officials may be deemed personal expenses and are not eligible for reimbursement by the City. Any questions regarding the propriety of a particular type of expense should be personal expenses that the City will not reimburse include, but are not limited to:

- 1. The personal portion of any trip;
- 2. Political or charitable contributions or events;
- 3. Family expenses, including partner's expenses, when accompanying official on agency-related business<sup>1</sup>, as well as children- or pet-related expenses;
- 4. Entertainment expenses, including theater, movies (either in-room or at the theater), sporting events (including gym, massage and/or golf related expenses), or other cultural events:

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- 5. Alcohol/personal bar expenses;
- 6. Non-mileage personal automobile expenses, including repairs, traffic citations, insurance or gasoline; and
- 7. Personal losses incurred while on City business.
- 8. Additional room related costs, such as early or late check out, laundry services, and/or upgraded parking expenses (i.e., valet when self-parking is available);
- 9. Any extra travel fees, such as priority or preferred seating, extra luggage (more than 2 bags), pre-boarding/early bird boarding, extra leg room, or costs incurred for travel plan changes within 30 days of travel or after travel has been secured;
- 10. Memberships to organizations not approved by the City Council; and
- 11. Travel and related expenses that do not reflect a direct business benefit to the City and the community.

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8. Any questions regarding the propriety of a particular type of expense should be resolved by the approving authority before the expense is incurred.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> If trip arrangements are made, as a convenience, for spouse or family members, reimbursement to the City for any advanced expenses must be received by the City prior to the trip.

#### C. COMPENSATION FOR ATTENDANCE AT MEETINGS

Compensation for meeting attendance, for elected and appointed members of city boards and commissions, shall be as follows:

- 1. City Council members' <u>stipends/</u>salaries shall be set and enacted as mandated by the California\_Government Code.
- 2. Stipends to the members of the Planning Commission, ParksCommission, Transportation Commission and other Commissions appointed by Council shall be established by resolution of the City Council for meetings of their respective bodies as defined by the R.P Brown Act.
  - 1. Compensation for meeting attendance for members of the Planning Commission, ParksCommission, Transportation Commission and other Commissions appointed by Council, shall be established by resolution of the City Council.

No additional stipends/salaries are paid to attend travel

#### D. TRANSPORTATION

When attending conferences or meetings that are of such distance that it is more economical to take commercial transportation, if an employee proposes to drive their car in those cases, commercial air fare will be paid and not automobile mileage. In addition, Officials are strongly encouraged to choose the lowest cost for ground transportation, taking into consideration reasonable travel time and other related cost factors such as parking. The City shall reimburse for only the lowest cost option, regardless of the actual costs incurred by the Official.

When attending conferences or meetings that are of such distance that it is more economical to take commercial transportation, if an official proposes to drive his/her car in those cases, commercial air fare will be paid and not automobile mileage. Government and group rates must be used when available.

- 1. Airfare. Allowable costs for air travel shall be calculated by using the shortest and most direct route with the least number of enroute stops. All air travel shall be booked as far in advance as possible (no later than 30 days from travel, if applicable), so as to receive the lowest fares possible except where the lowest fare is for an overnight flight, which may be chosen by the individual but is not required. When the use of public air carrier transportation is used, travel for all Officials shall be in coach class or equivalent service that allows for at least one carryon bag. The City will only reimburse up to the cost of the least expensive ticket available via commercial air travel. Private automobile use to and from the airport shall be reimbursed for all miles at the prevailing IRS established rate. Parking at the closest location to the airport is reimbursable.
- 1. Airfare. Airfares that are reasonable and economical shall be eligible for reimbursement.
- 2. Automobile. Automobile mileage is reimbursed at Internal Revenue Service ("IRS") rates in effect at the time of travel. These rates are designed to compensate the driver for gasoline, insurance, maintenance, and other expenses associated with operating the vehicle. This amount does not include bridge and road tolls, which are also reimbursable. Bridge or road tolls may be reimbursed with proof of crossing (e.g. toll receipts, toll statements, travels or toll provider maps indicating passage to destination)

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- 3. Ground Transportation: The most economical mode and class of ground transportation reasonably consistent with scheduling needs and cargo space requirements must be used, using the most direct and time-efficient route. Courtesy shuttle services, public transit, taxis, and/or rideshares should be used between airports and/or conference/meeting locations. Car rentals should only be used in special circumstances where the aforementioned services are not practical. Taxis and other local transportation may be used for travel to restaurants as associated with the business purpose for the travel. Receipts for ground transportation must be provided for reimbursements. A 15% gratuity with a minimum of \$3 is allowed.
  - 1. Car Rental. Rental rates that are reasonable and economical shall be eligible for reimbursement.
  - 2. Taxis/Shuttles. Taxis or shuttles fares may be reimbursed, including a fifteen (15%) percent gratuity per fare, when the cost of such fares is equal or less than the cost of car rentals, gasoline and parking combined, or when such transportation is necessary for time- efficiency.

#### E. LODGING

Lodging expenses will be reimbursed, or/paid for when travel on official City business reasonably requires an overnight stay. If such lodging is in connection with a conference, lodging expenses must not exceed the group rate published by the conference sponsor for the meeting in question if such rates are available at the time of booking. Travelers must request government rates, when available. If the group rate is not available, reimbursement at the IRS rate in effect at the time of travel shall apply (IRS Publication 463).

#### F. MEALS

The City has not adopted aA local expense reimbursement policy identifying a "per diem" of reasonable rates for meals is not adopted. Receipts for expenses for Instead, meal expenses shall be required. Actual expenses shall be reimbursed subject to the maximum per diem for the meal as set by the IRS rate in effect at the time of travel. (See Cal. Gov't Code §53232.2(c) and Publication 1542 at www.irs.gov.) The City will not pay for alcohol/personal bar expenses.

Meals provided by the conference or included in the registration fee will not be eligible for per diem, regardless of whether the Official utilizes such meals. A continental breakfast is not considered a meal for purposes of calculating meal allowance. Registration materials indicating which meals are provided as part of the registration must be submitted prior to receipt of per diem.

#### G. MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES

Officials will be reimbursed for actual telephone, fax, and parking expenses incurred on City business. Telephone bills should identify which calls were made on City business.

#### H. CASH ADVANCE POLICY

From time to time, it may be necessary for an official to request a cash advance to cover anticipated expenses while traveling or doing business on the City's behalf. Such request for an advance should be submitted to the City Manager ten (10) working days prior to the need for the advance with the following information:

- 1. The purpose of the expenditure(s);
- 2. The benefits of such expenditure to the residents of City;
- 3. The anticipated amount of the expenditure(s) (for example, hotel rates, meal costs, and transportation expenses); and
- 4. The dates of the expenditure(s).

Any unused advance must be returned to the City within five (5) working days of the official's return, along with an expense report and receipts documenting how the advance was used. In the event the City Manager is uncertain as to whether a request complies with this Policy, such individual must seek resolution from the City Council.

#### H. TRAVEL AUTHORIZATION REQUEST

All Officials shall submit a Travel Authorization Request (through department designee) listing the expected expenses of the trip, including membership costs required as part of attendance. The travel request shall be submitted two weeks prior to the travel. The per diem check will be issued the week prior to travel and will include any prepaid expenses. Each Official must sign this request and is liable to the City for all monies advanced until an expense report is filed. Each Official must stay within their allotted travel budget for all costs paid by the City, including related costs (e.g., memberships and registration).

#### I. CREDIT CARD USE POLICY

<u>The</u> City does not issue credit cards to individual office holders but does have an agency credit card for selected City expenses. City <u>effice holdersOfficals</u> may use the <u>Ceity</u>'s credit card for such purposes as <u>conference registration</u>, airline tickets and hotel reservations by following the same procedures for <u>cash advances.allowed under the City's credit card policy.</u>

Receipts documenting expenses incurred on the City credit card and compliance with this Policy must be submitted within five (5) working days of use. Except as allowed under Section 8(3), Ceity credit cards may not be used for personal expenses, even if the Oefficial subsequently reimburses the City.

#### J. EXPENSE REPORT CONTENT AND SUBMISSION DEADLINES

All cash advance expenditures, credit card expenses and expense reimbursement requests must be submitted on an expense report form provided by the city. This form shall include the following advisory:

"All expenses reported on this form must comply with the city's policies relating to expenses and use of public resources. The information submitted on this form is a public record. Penalties for misusing public resources and violating the city's policies include loss of reimbursement privileges, restitution, civil and criminal penalties as well as additional income tax liability."

Expense reports must document that the expense in question met the requirements of thisPolicy. Officials must submit their expense reports within thirty (30) calendar days of an\_expense being incurred, accompanied by receipts documenting each expense. Restaurant receipts, in addition to any credit card receipts, are also part of the necessary documentation.

Inability to provide such documentation in a timely fashion may result in the expense beingborne by the official.

In the event the official does not attend the trip and non-refundable expenses have been incurred for registration, lodging and/or travel, the non-attending official shall submit a written explanation of the reasons for non-attendance to the City Manager. The City Manager shall determine if the public funds advanced must be reimbursed to the City. Any decision of the City Manager may be appealed to the City Council.

All expenses are subject to verification that they comply with this Policy.

#### K. REPORTS TO CITY COUNCIL, BOARD OR COMMISSION

At the next regular City Council (or Board or Commission) meeting, each <u>Elected Oofficial</u> shall make a brief report (written or oral) on meetings attended at City expense. If multiple <u>Oofficials</u> attended, a joint report may be made.

#### L. COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS; VIOLATION

City Oefficials should keep in mind that some expenditures may be subject to reporting under the Political Reform Act and other laws. All agency expenditures are public records subject to disclosure under the Public Records Act and other applicable laws. Use of public resources or falsifying expense reports in violation of this Policy may result in any or all of the following: 1) loss of reimbursement privileges, 2) a demand for restitution to the City, 3) the agency's reporting the expenses as income to the elected official to state and federal tax authorities, 4) civil penalties of up to \$1,000 per day and three times the value of the resources used, and 5) prosecution for misuse of public resources.

Failure of an appointed Board or Commission member, after forty-five (45) days written notice, to complete the training required by AB1234 and this Policy shall result in the automatic removal of the member from their Board or Commission position.

#### ATTACHMENT B

# POLICY FOR REIMBURSEMENT FOR TRAVEL AND EXPENSES FOR ELECTED AND APPOINTED OFFICIALS

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- d. Promoting public service and morale by recognizing such service through serving, promoting, or creating benefits for the community of City of Tracy

At the same time, the City Council believes that travel expenses can be significant costs to the City and that Officials should be judicious when making travel arrangements and abide by all applicable laws and regulations regarding reimbursement of travel expenses. In order to promote the noted endeavors while protecting public resources and fostering public trust in the use of those resources, the City Council hereby sets forth the travel and expense reimbursement policies for the Officials of the City of Tracy.

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Elected Officials also must comply with the requirements of the Ralph P. Brown Act (Act), during attendance at any conferences, conventions and professional meetings, regardless of whether such events occur outside of California. Elected Officials shall make travel arrangements and participate at events in a manner that

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- **2.** Attending educational seminars designed to improve Officials' skill and information levels;
- **3.** Participating in regional, state and national organizations whose activities affect the City's interests;
- **4.** Recognizing service to the City (for example, thanking a longtime employee with a retirement gift or celebration of nominal value and cost);
- **5.** Implementing a Council-approved strategy for attracting to or retaining businesses in the City, for which the City Manager has requested Council attendance and will involve at least one staff member;
- **6.** Meetings such as those listed above for which a meeting stipend is expressly authorized under this Policy;
- **7.** Internet, wi-fi, and/or Cable TV expenses related to, and used in connection with, the official duties of City Councilmembers only; and

**8.** Events where attendance of the Mayor and/or City Council is requested to attend and present a certificate on behalf of the City.

Expenses for international and out-of-state travel, require prior City Council approval, with the exception of the following travel:

- City's annual Federal Lobby travel to Washington DC
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- National League of Cities annual Congressional Conference travel to Washington DC

Regardless of whether preapproved above or approved by the City Council per separate, travel shall not exceed the adopted budget for any Official unless additional budget authorization is granted by the City Council by formal action. Travel requests for international and out-of-state travel from the City Council should follow the City Council's Meeting Protocols for placement on the City Council agendas.

For the purposes of this Policy, if the City pays directly for the expenses such expenses are not eligible for reimbursement (e.g., conference fees).

#### B. UNAUTHORIZED EXPENSES

The City is subject to applicable State and federal laws regarding what constitutes reimbursable employee expenses. Certain expenses incurred by City officials may be deemed personal expenses and are not eligible for reimbursement by the City. Any questions regarding the propriety of a particular type of expense should be resolved by the approving authority before the expense is incurred. Examples of personal expenses that the City will not reimburse include, but are not limited to:

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- **4.** Entertainment expenses, including theater, movies (either in-room or at the theater), sporting events (including gym, massage and/or golf related expenses), or other cultural events:
- **5.** Alcohol/personal bar expenses;
- **6.** Non-mileage personal automobile expenses, including repairs,

traffic citations, insurance, or gasoline;

- 7. Personal losses incurred while on City business;
- **8.** Additional room related costs, such as early or late check out, laundry services, and/or upgraded parking expenses (i.e., valet when self-parking is available);
- **9.** Any extra travel fees, such as priority or preferred seating, extra luggage (more than 2 bags), pre-boarding/early bird boarding, extra leg room, or costs incurred for travel plan changes within 30 days of travel or after travel has been secured;
- 10. Memberships to organizations not approved by the City Council; and
- **11.** Travel and related expenses that do not reflect a direct business benefit to the City and the community.

#### C. COMPENSATION FOR ATTENDANCE AT MEETINGS

Compensation for meeting attendance shall be as follows:

- **1.** City Council members' stipends/salaries shall be set and enacted as mandated by the California Government Code.
- 2. Stipends to the members of the Planning Commission, Parks Commission, Transportation Commission and other Commissions appointed by Council shall be established by resolution of the City Council for meetings of their respective bodies as defined by the R.P Brown Act.
- **3.** No additional stipends/salaries are paid to attend travel.

#### D. TRANSPORTATION

When attending conferences or meetings that are of such distance that it is more economical to take commercial transportation, if an employee proposes to drive their car in those cases, commercial air fare will be paid and not automobile mileage. In addition, Officials are strongly encouraged to choose the lowest cost for ground transportation, taking into consideration reasonable travel time and other related cost factors such as parking. The City shall reimburse for only the lowest cost option, regardless of the actual costs incurred by the Official.

1. Airfare. Allowable costs for air travel shall be calculated by using the shortest and most direct route with the least number of enroute stops. All air travel shall be booked as far in advance as possible (no later than 30 days from travel, if applicable), so as to receive the lowest fares possible

except where the lowest fare is for an overnight flight, which may be chosen by the individual but is not required. When the use of public air carrier transportation is used, travel for all Officials shall be in coach class or equivalent service that allows for at least one carryon bag. The City will only reimburse up to the cost of the least expensive ticket available via commercial air travel. Private automobile use to and from the airport shall be reimbursed for all miles at the prevailing IRS established rate. Parking at the closest location to the airport is reimbursable.

- **2. Automobile.** Automobile mileage is reimbursed at Internal Revenue Service ("IRS") rates in effect at the time of travel. These rates are designed to compensate the driver for gasoline, insurance, maintenance, and other expenses associated with operating the vehicle. This amount does not include bridge and road tolls, which are also reimbursable. Bridge or road tolls may be reimbursed with proof of crossing (e.g. toll receipts, toll statements, travels or toll provider maps indicating passage to destination)
- 3. Ground Transportation: The most economical mode and class of ground transportation reasonably consistent with scheduling needs and cargo space requirements must be used, using the most direct and time-efficient route. Courtesy shuttle services, public transit, taxis, and/or rideshares should be used between airports and/or conference/meeting locations. Car rentals should only be used in special circumstances where the aforementioned services are not practical. Taxis and other local transportation may be used for travel to restaurants as associated with the business purpose for the travel. Receipts for ground transportation must be provided for reimbursements. A 15% gratuity with a minimum of \$3 is allowed.

#### E. LODGING

Lodging expenses will be reimbursed/paid for when travel on official City business reasonably requires an overnight stay. If such lodging is in connection with a conference, lodging expenses must not exceed the group rate published by the conference sponsor for the meeting in question if such rates are available at the time of booking. Travelers must request government rates, when available. If the group rate is not available, reimbursement at the IRS rate in effect at the time of travel shall apply (IRS Publication 463).

#### F. MEALS

The City has not adopted a local expense reimbursement policy identifying a "per diem" of reasonable rates for meals. Instead, meal expenses shall be reimbursed subject to the maximum per diem for the meal as set by the IRS rate in effect at the time of travel, based on the location of the event. (See Cal. Gov't Code §53232.2© and Publication 1542 at <a href="https://www.irs.gov">www.irs.gov</a>.)

Meals provided by the conference or included in the registration fee will not be eligible for per diem, regardless of whether the Official utilizes such meals. A continental breakfast is not considered a meal for purposes of calculating meal allowance. Registration materials indicating which meals are provided as part of the registration must be submitted prior to receipt of per diem.

#### G. MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES

Officials will be reimbursed for actual telephone, fax, and parking expenses incurred on City business. Telephone bills should identify which calls were made on City business.

#### H. TRAVEL AUTHORIZATION REQUEST

All Officials shall submit a Travel Authorization Request (through department designee) listing the expected expenses of the trip, including membership costs required as part of attendance. The travel request shall be submitted two weeks prior to the travel. The per diem check will be issued the week prior to travel and will include any prepaid expenses. Each Official must sign this request and is liable to the City for all monies advanced until an expense report is filed. Each Official must stay within their allotted travel budget for all costs paid by the City, including related costs (e.g., memberships and registration).

#### I. CREDIT CARD USE POLICY

The City does not issue credit cards to individual office holders but does have an agency credit card for selected City expenses. City Officials may use the City's credit card for such purposes as conference registration, airline tickets, and hotel reservations by following the same procedures allowed under the City's credit card policy.

Receipts documenting expenses incurred on the City credit card and compliance with this Policy must be submitted within five (5) working days of use. Except as allowed under Section 8(3), City credit cards may not be used for personal expenses, even if the Official subsequently reimburses the City.

#### J. EXPENSE REPORT CONTENT AND SUBMISSION DEADLINES

All cash advance expenditures, credit card expenses and expense reimbursement requests must be submitted on an expense report form provided by the City. This form shall include thefollowing advisory:

"All expenses reported on this form must comply with the City's policies relating to expenses and use of public resources. The information submitted

April 17, 2007

#### **AGENDA ITEM 10.A**

#### REQUEST

## REPORT ON COMPLIANCE WITH AB 1234 TRAINING AND CONSIDERATION OF REVISIONS TO THE REIMBURSEMENT OF TRAVEL AND EXPENSES FOR ELECTED AND APPOINTED OFFICIALS

#### DISCUSSION

#### **Background**

In January 2007, in accordance with AB 1234 (found in Government Code sections 53232 et seq.), the City Council revised its "Policy for Reimbursement for Travel and Expenses for Elected and Appointed Officials" ("Travel Policy"). The current policy, set forth in Resolution No. 2007-023, is attached. In addition to the requirements regarding travel and expense reimbursement, the law also requires ethics training (two hours every two years). Certificates of completion for covered officials were to be filed by December 31, 2006. Training sessions were offered to local officials in November and December 2006 and will be provided annually hereafter. During the consideration of the Travel and Expense Policy, staff inquired about whether there should be a remedy for noncompliance. AB 1234 does not express a remedy for failure to take the training or comply with the expense report requirements. According to information gathered from approximately two dozen cities, most agencies indicated that they have had full compliance and have not addressed non-compliance remedies. Some agencies have general remedies (i.e., removal from the commission or inability to receive compensation or reimbursement) and indicated they would use those remedies for non-compliance with AB 1234.

#### Direction on February 20, 2007

Following Council discussion at the February 20th Council meeting, staff was directed to follow-up with appointed board and commission members who had not filed certificates regarding their training and report back on that information as well as another review of the Internet and/or Cable TV reimbursement policy on April 17, 2007.

#### Completion of Training

A follow-up notice to any board or commission members who had not provided certificates of completion to the City Clerk was sent out and the members were given 45 days to complete the training (complete by April 16, 2007). Council previously indicated that failure to file would result in removal of the commissioners from their commission(s). A verbal report on any officials who have not completed the training will be provided at the Council meeting.

#### Review of Cable TV/Internet Reimbursement Policy

The Internet and/or Cable TV expense reimbursement provision of the current Travel and Expense policy is as follows (also shown in bold in attached Resolution):

"City Council members may be reimbursed for Internet and/or Cable TV expenses related to, and used in connection with, their official duties".

Currently one council member is reimbursed approximately \$75.00 per month for Internet and/or Cable TV which is approximately half the member's monthly charge for high-speed internet and Cable TV.

Staff has proposed language (in redline format) to Section "L" regarding remedies which will establish automatic removal as a remedy if a board or commission member, after reasonable notice, fails to obtain the training.

If Council wishes to revise (modify or delete) the current policy regarding Internet and/or Cable TV, it may do so at the meeting.

#### FISCAL IMPACT

All anticipated conferences, conventions and professional meetings are generally budgeted in the current operating budget. Costs associated with the annual AB 1234 training will be included in the City Clerk's budget in future years.

#### RECOMMENDATION

That the City Council consider the report, removal of any board or commission members who have failed to file certificates, and proposed revisions to "Policy for Reimbursement for Travel and Expenses for Elected and Appointed Officials".

Prepared By Debra E. Corbett, City Attorney

Attachments: Redlined Version of Travel and Expense Policy (Resolution No. 2007-023)

## Resolution No. 2007-023 REDLINED VERSION FOR 4-17-07

#### REVISING THE POLICY AND PROCEDURES FOR TRAVEL AND EXPENSES REIMBURSEMENT FOR ELECTED AND APPOINTED OFFICIALS

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that it is in the best interests of the City that elected and appointed officials remain informed and trained in activities, developments and professional trends affecting the affairs of the City and that attendance at institutes, hearings, meetings, conferences, or other gatherings is of value to the City and its citizens; and

WHEREAS, appointed officials include Planning Commission, Parks and Recreation Commission members, and other non-employee members of boards, commissions, and committees; and

WHEREAS, the City of Tracy takes its stewardship over the use of its limited public resources seriously; and

WHEREAS, public resources should only be used when there is a substantial benefit to the City; and

WHEREAS, such benefits include:

- a. The opportunity to discuss the community's concerns with state and federal officials:
- b. Participating in regional, state and national organizations whose activities affect the City:
- c. Attending educational seminars designed to improve officials' skill and information levels: and
- d. Promoting public service and morale by recognizing such service; and

WHEREAS, a) legislative and other regional, state and federal agency business is frequently conducted over meals; b) sharing a meal with regional, state and federal officials is frequently the best opportunity for a more extensive, focused and uninterrupted communication about the City's policy concerns; and c) each meal expenditure must comply with the limits and reporting requirements of local, state and federal law; and

WHEREAS, this Policy provides guidance to elected and appointed officials on the use and expenditure of City resources, as well as the standards against which those expenditures will be measured; and

WHEREAS, Government Code section 36514.5 allows council members to be reimbursed for actual and necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their official duties; and

WHEREAS, On April 17, 2007, Council revised the policy to include a remedy for non-compliance by Board and Commission members; and

WHEREAS, this Policy satisfies the requirements of Government Code sections 53232.2 and 53233.3.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Tracy City Council does resolve, declare, determine and order as follows:

SECTION 1: Resolution No. 2007-023 is hereby repealed. The Travel and Expenses Reimbursement Policy and Procedures for Elected and Appointed Officials in the City of Tracy, attached hereto as Exhibit "A", is hereby adopted.

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SECTION 2: This resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

		was passed and adopted by the Tracy City, 2007, by the following vote:
AYES:	COUNCIL MEMBERS:	
NOES:	COUNCIL MEMBERS:	
ABSENT:	COUNCIL MEMBERS:	
ABSTAIN:	COUNCIL MEMBERS:	
ATTEST:		Mayor
City	/ Clerk	

## EXHIBIT "A" TO RESOLUTION NO. 2007-023 (Redlined format)

#### POLICY FOR REIMBURSEMENT FOR TRAVEL AND EXPENSES FOR ELECTED AND APPOINTED OFFICIALS

The City Council of the City of Tracy believes that it is important that elected and appointed officials (including Planning Commissioners, Parks and Recreation Commissioners, and other volunteer members of boards, commissions, and committees) remain informed and trained in issues affecting the affairs of the City and that attendance at institutes, hearings, meetings, conferences, or other gatherings is of value to the City and its citizens. The benefits include:

- a. The opportunity to discuss the community's concerns with state and federal officials;
- b. Participation in regional, state and national organizations whose activities affect the City;
- c. Attending educational seminars improve officials' skill and information levels; and
- d. Promoting public service and morale by recognizing such service.

In order to promote these endeavors, to protect public resources and foster public trust in the use of those resources, as well as comply with state law requirements regarding reimbursement of expenses, the City Council hereby sets forth the travel and expense reimbursement policies for the City of Tracy.

All anticipated conferences, conventions and professional meetings shall be budgeted for in the current operating budget. As the trip is being paid for with public funds, it shall be the responsibility of the official undertaking the trip to make every effort to attend the entire conference and/or as many sessions as possible.

All elected officials and appointed officials (including the City Manager and City Attorney) who receive compensation for their service or reimbursement for their expenses shall comply with this Policy. This shall include Planning Commissioners, Parks and Community Services Commissioners, and Cultural Arts Commissioners.

#### A. AUTHORIZED EXPENSES

City funds, equipment, supplies (including letterhead), titles, and staff time must only be used for authorized City business. Expenses incurred in connection with the following types of activities generally constitute authorized expenses, as long as the other requirements of this Policy are met:

- 1. Communicating with representatives of regional, state and national government on City adopted policy positions;
- 2. Attending educational seminars designed to improve officials' skill and information levels;
- 3. Participating in regional, state and national organizations whose activities affect the city's interests;

- 4. Recognizing service to the City (for example, thanking a longtime employee with a retirement gift or celebration of nominal value and cost);
- 5. Attending City events;
- 6. Implementing a City-approved strategy for attracting or retaining businesses to the City, which will typically involve at least one staff member;
- 7. Meetings such as those listed above for which a meeting stipend is expressly authorized under this Policy, and
- 8. City council members may be reimbursed for Internet and/or Cable TV expenses related to, and used in connection with, their official duties.

All other expenditures require prior approval by the City Council.

Expenses for international and out-of-state travel, other than the annual "One-Voice" trip to Washington D.C. coordinated through the San Joaquin County Council of Governments, require prior City Council approval.

For the purposes of this Policy, if the City pays directly for the expenses it is not considered a reimbursement (e.g. conference fees).

#### B. EXPENSES NOT ELIGIBLE FOR REIMBURSEMENT

Examples of personal expenses that the City will not reimburse include, but are not limited to:

- 1. The personal portion of any trip;
- 2. Political or charitable contributions or events;
- 3. Family expenses, including partner's expenses, when accompanying official on agency-related business<sup>1</sup>, as well as children- or pet-related expenses;
- 4. Entertainment expenses, including theater, movies (either in-room or at the theater), sporting events (including gym, massage and/or golf related expenses), or other cultural events:
- Alcohol/personal bar expenses;
- 6. Non-mileage personal automobile expenses, including repairs, traffic citations, insurance or gasoline; and
- 7. Personal losses incurred while on City business.
- 8. Any questions regarding the propriety of a particular type of expense should be

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> If trip arrangements are made, as a convenience, for spouse or family members, reimbursement to the City for any advanced expenses must be received by the City prior to the trip.

resolved by the approving authority before the expense is incurred.

#### C. COMPENSATION FOR ATTENDANCE AT MEETINGS

Compensation for meeting attendance, for elected and appointed members of city boards and commissions, shall be as follows:

- 1. City Council members' salaries shall be set and enacted as mandated by the California Government Code.
- 2. Compensation for meeting attendance for members of the Planning Commission, Parks and Community Services Commission, and the Community Cultural Arts Commission, shall be established by resolution of the City Council.

#### D. TRANSPORTATION

When attending conferences or meetings that are of such distance that it is more economical to take commercial transportation, if an official proposes to drive his/her car in those cases, commercial air fare will be paid and not automobile mileage. Government and group rates must be used when available.

- **1. Airfare.** Airfares that are reasonable and economical shall be eligible for reimbursement.
- **2. Automobile.** Automobile mileage is reimbursed at Internal Revenue Service ("IRS") rates in effect at the time of travel. These rates are designed to compensate the driver for gasoline, insurance, maintenance, and other expenses associated with operating the vehicle. This amount does not include bridge and road tolls, which are also reimbursable.
- **3. Car Rental.** Rental rates that are reasonable and economical shall be eligible for reimbursement.
- **4. Taxis/Shuttles.** Taxis or shuttles fares may be reimbursed, including a fifteen (15%) percent gratuity per fare, when the cost of such fares is equal or less than the cost of car rentals, gasoline and parking combined, or when such transportation is necessary for time-efficiency.

#### E. LODGING

Lodging expenses will be reimbursed, or paid for. when travel on official city business reasonably requires an overnight stay. If such lodging is in connection with a conference, lodging expenses must not exceed the group rate published by the conference sponsor for the meeting in question if such rates are available at the time of booking. Travelers must request government rates, when available. If the group rate is not available, reimbursement at the IRS rate in effect at the time of travel shall apply (IRS Publication 463).

#### F. MEALS

A local expense reimbursement policy identifying a "per diem" of reasonable rates for meals is not adopted. Receipts for expenses for meals shall be required. Actual expenses shall be reimbursed subject to the maximum per diem for the meal as set by the IRS rate in effect at the time of travel. (See Cal. Gov't Code §53232.2(c) and Publication 1542 at www.irs.gov or

www.policyworks.gov/perdiem.) The City will not pay for alcohol/personal bar expenses.

#### G. MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES

Officials will be reimbursed for actual telephone, fax, and parking expenses incurred on City business. Telephone bills should identify which calls were made on City business.

#### H. CASH ADVANCE POLICY

From time to time, it may be necessary for an official to request a cash advance to cover anticipated expenses while traveling or doing business on the City's behalf. Such request for an advance should be submitted to the City Manager ten (10) working days prior to the need for the advance with the following information:

- 1. The purpose of the expenditure(s);
- 2. The benefits of such expenditure to the residents of City;
- 3. The anticipated amount of the expenditure(s) (for example, hotel rates, meal costs, and transportation expenses); and
- 4. The dates of the expenditure(s).

Any unused advance must be returned to the City within five (5) working days of the official's return, along with an expense report and receipts documenting how the advance was used. In the event the City Manager is uncertain as to whether a request complies with this Policy, such individual must seek resolution from the City Council.

#### I. CREDIT CARD USE POLICY

City does not issue credit cards to individual office holders but does have an agency credit card for selected City expenses. City office holders may use the city's credit card for such purposes as airline tickets and hotel reservations by following the same procedures for cash advances. Receipts documenting expenses incurred on the City credit card and compliance with this Policy must be submitted within five (5) working days of use. Except as allowed under Section B(3), city credit cards may not be used for personal expenses, even if the official subsequently reimburses the City.

#### J. EXPENSE REPORT CONTENT AND SUBMISSION DEADLINES

All cash advance expenditures, credit card expenses and expense reimbursement requests must be submitted on an expense report form provided by the city. This form shall include the following advisory:

"All expenses reported on this form must comply with the city's policies relating to expenses and use of public resources. The information submitted on this form is a public record. Penalties for misusing public resources and violating the city's policies include loss of reimbursement privileges, restitution, civil and criminal penalties as well as additional income tax liability."

Expense reports must document that the expense in question met the requirements of this Policy. Officials must submit their expense reports within thirty (30) calendar days of an expense being incurred, accompanied by receipts documenting each expense. Restaurant receipts, in addition to any credit card receipts, are also part of the necessary documentation.

Inability to provide such documentation in a timely fashion may result in the expense being borne by the official.

In the event the official does not attend the trip and non-refundable expenses have been incurred for registration, lodging and/or travel, the non-attending official shall submit a written explanation of the reasons for non-attendance to the City Manager. The City Manager shall determine if the public funds advanced must be reimbursed to the City. Any decision of the City Manager may be appealed to the City Council.

All expenses are subject to verification that they comply with this Policy.

#### K. REPORTS TO CITY COUNCIL, BOARD OR COMMISSION

At the next regular City Council (or Board or Commission) meeting, each official shall make a brief report (written or oral) on meetings attended at City expense. If multiple officials attended, a joint report may be made.

#### L. COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS; VIOLATION

City officials should keep in mind that some expenditures may be subject to reporting under the Political Reform Act and other laws. All agency expenditures are public records subject to disclosure under the Public Records Act and other applicable laws. Use of public resources or falsifying expense reports in violation of this Policy may result in any or all of the following: 1) loss of reimbursement privileges, 2) a demand for restitution to the City, 3) the agency's reporting the expenses as income to the elected official to state and federal tax authorities, 4) civil penalties of up to \$1,000 per day and three times the value of the resources used, and 5) prosecution for misuse of public resources.

Failure of an appointed Board or Commission member, after reasonable written notice, to complete the training required by AB1234 and this Policy, shall result in the automatic removal of the member from their Board or Commission position.

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Expense reports must document that the expense in question met the requirements of this Policy. Officials must submit their expense reports within thirty (30) calendar days of an expense being incurred, accompanied by receipts documenting each expense.

Inability to provide such documentation in a timely fashion may result in the expense being borne by the official.

All expenses are subject to verification that they comply with this Policy.

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At the next regular City Council (or Board or Commission) meeting, each Elected Official shall make a brief report (written or oral) on meetings attended at City expense. If multiple Officials attended, a joint report may be made.

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Failure of an appointed Board or Commission member, after forty-five (45) days written notice, to complete the training required by AB1234 and this Policy shall result in the automatic removal of the member from their Board or Commission position.

#### Resolution No. 2007-075

#### REVISING THE POLICY AND PROCEDURES FOR TRAVEL AND EXPENSES REIMBURSEMENT FOR ELECTED AND APPOINTED OFFICIALS

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that it is in the best interests of the City that elected and appointed officials remain informed and trained in activities, developments and professional trends affecting the affairs of the City and that attendance at institutes, hearings, meetings, conferences, or other gatherings is of value to the City and its citizens; and

WHEREAS, appointed officials include Planning Commission, Parks and Recreation Commission members, and other non-employee members of boards, commissions, and committees; and

WHEREAS, the City of Tracy takes its stewardship over the use of its limited public resources seriously; and

WHEREAS, public resources should only be used when there is a substantial benefit to the City; and

WHEREAS, such benefits include:

- a. The opportunity to discuss the community's concerns with state and federal officials:
- b. Participating in regional, state and national organizations whose activities affect the City;
- c. Attending educational seminars designed to improve officials' skill and information levels; and
- d. Promoting public service and morale by recognizing such service; and

WHEREAS, a) legislative and other regional, state and federal agency business is frequently conducted over meals; b) sharing a meal with regional, state and federal officials is frequently the best opportunity for a more extensive, focused and uninterrupted communication about the City's policy concerns; and c) each meal expenditure must comply with the limits and reporting requirements of local, state and federal law; and

WHEREAS, this Policy provides guidance to elected and appointed officials on the use and expenditure of City resources, as well as the standards against which those expenditures will be measured; and

WHEREAS, Government Code section 36514.5 allows council members to be reimbursed for actual and necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their official duties; and

WHEREAS, On April 17, 2007, Council revised the policy to include a remedy for non-compliance by Board and Commission members; and

WHEREAS, this Policy satisfies the requirements of Government Code sections 53232.2 and 53233.3.

Resolution No. 2007-075 Page 2

NOW, THEREFORE, the Tracy City Council does resolve, declare, determine and order as follows:

SECTION 1: Resolution No. 2007-023 is hereby repealed. The Travel and Expenses Reimbursement Policy and Procedures for Elected and Appointed Officials in the City of Tracy, attached hereto as Exhibit "A", is hereby adopted.

SECTION 2: This resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

The foregoing Resolution 2007-075 was passed and adopted by the Tracy City Council on the 17th day of April, 2007, by the following vote:

AYES:

COUNCIL MEMBERS: SUNDBERG, TOLBERT, TUCKER, IVES

NOES:

COUNCIL MEMBERS: NONE

ABSENT:

COUNCIL MEMBERS: ABERCROMBIE

ABSTAIN:

COUNCIL MEMBERS: NONE

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ATTEST:

#### EXHIBIT "A" TO RESOLUTION NO. 2007-075

#### POLICY FOR REIMBURSEMENT FOR TRAVEL AND EXPENSES FOR ELECTED AND APPOINTED OFFICIALS

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#### A. AUTHORIZED EXPENSES

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All other expenditures require prior approval by the City Council.

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October 5, 2021

#### **AGENDA ITEM 1.E**

#### REQUEST

### AMEND COUNCIL POLICY FOR REIMBURSEMENT OF TRAVEL AND EXPENSES FOR ELECTED AND APPOINTED OFFICIALS

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

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#### DISCUSSION

Government Code Sections 53232, et seq., requires that all cities adopt an expense reimbursement policy for Mayor and Council expenses. In accordance with Section 53232.2 of the Government Code, when a reimbursement is otherwise authorized by statute, a local agency may reimburse members of a legislative body for actual and necessary expenses incurred in the performance of official duties, including, but not limited to, activities described in Article 2.4 (commencing with Section 53234). If a local agency reimburses members of a legislative body for actual and necessary expenses incurred in the performance of official duties, then the governing body shall adopt a written policy, in a public meeting, specifying the types of occurrences that qualify a member of the legislative body to receive reimbursement of expenses relating to travel, meals, lodging, and other actual and necessary expenses.

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#### STRATEGIC PLAN

This agenda item supports the City's Governance Strategy and Business Plan, and specifically implements the following goals and objectives:

Governance Strategy

Goal 1: Further develop an organization to attract, motivate, develop, and retain a high-quality, engaged, high-performing, and informed workforce.

Objective 1b: Affirm organizational values.

#### FISCAL IMPACT

Expenditures as a result of this policy revision will be absorbed within the FY 2021/22 adopted budget and no additional funds are being requested.

#### RECOMMENDATION

That the City Council, by resolution, amend Council Policy for Reimbursement of Travel and Expenses for Elected and Appointed Officials.

Prepared by: JoAnn Weberg, Human Resources Manager

Reviewed by: Kimberly Murdaugh, Director of Human Resources

Karin Schnaider, Director of Finance

Approved by: Bob Adams, Interim City Manager

#### ATTACHMENT:

A – Policy and Procedures for Travel and Expenses Reimbursement for Elected and Appointed Officials

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<b>RESOLUTION 2021</b>	-
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	regoing Resolution 2021 was adopted by the Tracy City Council on the 5ther, 2021 by the following votes:			
AYES:	COUNCIL MEMBERS:			
NOES:	COUNCIL MEMBERS:			
ABSENT:	COUNCIL MEMBERS:			
ABSTAIN:	COUNCIL MEMBERS:			
	MAYOR			
ATTEST:				
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#### RESOLUTION 2021-140

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AYES:

COUNCIL MEMBERS: ARRIOLA, BEDOLLA, DAVIS, VARGAS, YOUNG

NOES:

COUNCIL MEMBERS: NONE

ABSENT:

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Any unused advance must be returned to the City within five (5) working days of the official's return, along with an expense report and receipts documenting how the advance was used. In the event the City Manager is uncertain as to whether a request complies with this Policy, such individual must seek resolution from the City Council.

#### I. CREDIT CARD USE POLICY

City does not issue credit cards to individual office holders but does have an agency credit card for selected City expenses. City office holders may use the city's credit card for such purposes as airline tickets and hotel reservations by following the same procedures for cash advances. Receipts documenting expenses incurred on the City credit card and compliance with this Policy must be submitted within five (5) working days of use. Except as allowed under Section 8(3), city credit cards may not be used for personal expenses, even if the official subsequently reimburses the City.

#### J. EXPENSE REPORT CONTENT AND SUBMISSION DEADLINES

All cash advance expenditures, credit card expenses and expense reimbursement requests must be submitted on an expense report form provided by the city. This form shall include the following advisory:

"All expenses reported on this form must comply with the city's policies relating to expenses and use of public resources. The information submitted on this form is a public record. Penalties for misusing public resources and violating the city's policies include loss of reimbursement privileges, restitution, civil and criminal penalties as well as additional income tax liability."

Expense reports must document that the expense in question met the requirements of this Policy. Officials must submit their expense reports within thirty (30) calendar days of an

expense being incurred, accompanied by receipts documenting each expense. Restaurant receipts, in addition to any credit card receipts, are also part of the necessary documentation.

Inability to provide such documentation in a timely fashion may result in the expense being borne by the official.

In the event the official does not attend the trip and non-refundable expenses have been incurred for registration, lodging and/or travel, the non-attending official shall submit a written explanation of the reasons for non-attendance to the City Manager. The City Manager shall determine if the public funds advanced must be reimbursed to the City. Any decision of the City Manager may be appealed to the City Council.

All expenses are subject to verification that they comply with this Policy.

#### K. REPORTS TO CITY COUNCIL, BOARD OR COMMISSION

At the next regular City Council (or Board or Commission) meeting, each official shall make a brief report (written or oral) on meetings attended at City expense. If multiple officials attended, a joint report may be made.

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City officials should keep in mind that some expenditures may be subject to reporting under the Political Reform Act and other laws. All agency expenditures are public records subject to disclosure under the Public Records Act and other applicable laws. Use of public resources or falsifying expense reports in violation of this Policy may result in any or all of the following: 1) loss of reimbursement privileges, 2) a demand for restitution to the City, 3) the agency's reporting the expenses as income to the elected official to state and federal tax authorities, 4) civil penalties of up to \$1,000 per day and three times the value of the resources used, and 5) prosecution for misuse of public resources.

Failure of an appointed Board or Commission member, after forty-five (45) days written notice, to complete the training required by AB1234 and this Policy shall result in the automatic removal of the member from their Board or Commission position.

#### ATTACHMENT E

## CITY OF TRACY ADMINISTRATIVE POLICY AND PROCEDURE MANUAL

SUBJECT: : TRAVEL EXPENSE - Procedure

DATE ISSUED: : Revised May 21, 2019

SECTION: : T

SECTION 1: PURPOSE

The purpose of this Travel Expense procedure is to provide employees information on travel requests and expenses.

SECTION 2: PROCEDURE

#### A. POLICY

It is in the best interest of the City that employees remain informed and trained in activities, developments and professional trends affecting the affairs of the City. As such, attendance at institutes, hearings, meetings, conferences or other gatherings is of value to the City and its citizens.

#### B. <u>APPROVAL REQUIRED</u>

All overnight travel and/or consecutive day travel must be approved by the City Manager or designee in advance.

The City Manager or designee has the responsibility to determine the reasonableness of travel requests as justified by the purpose of the travel. The intent is to make travel as economical as possible:

- 1. By examining each trip to determine necessity. Travel is not to be permitted when it can be handled by mail or telephone.
- 2. By minimizing the number of people who must travel for a single purpose.

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- 3. By use of air travel when it is less costly than the use of private vehicle, unless otherwise approved.
- 4. By requiring the use of City vehicles, unless there is a valid reason for the use of a personal vehicle.

#### C. TRAVEL REQUEST REQUIRED

All City employees shall submit a travel request listing the expected expenses of the trip. This request must be approved by the Finance Director or designee. The employee must sign this request and is liable to the City for all monies advanced until an expense report, per "D" below, is filed.

Prior to submitting the request for consideration by the Finance Director or designee, it is the responsibility of the Department Head to ensure that the employee has provided proof of automobile insurance to the City when private transportation will be used in the course of the travel.

#### D. EXPENSE REPORT

The employee must file a completed expense report within seven (7) days of the conclusion of the trip and attach all necessary receipts to document the travel expenses. Any monies advanced, but not used for authorized expenses, must be returned to the City. Failure of the employee to file an expense report or submission of a false report may be grounds for disciplinary action.

#### E. PERMITTED EXPENSE RATES

1. Lodging - Actual cost for a single occupancy room at a motel or hotel with average quality accommodations. The government and group rates should be requested where available. Lodging will be paid at the Standard Room Rate (unless the conference room rate is less). Receipts for lodging costs must be presented. Non-compensable lodging expenses not considered a City expense include, but are not limited to:

- Late check-out and guarantee charges
- Personal services (i.e. barber/hair salon, shoeshines, health club and/or massage.
- Entertainment, including but not limited to inroom movies.
- Pet-related expenses.

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2. Meals - Costs for meals not provided as a part of a registration fee will be calculated according to the meals and incidental expenses per diem rate established by the U.S. Internal Revenue Service. Meals provided by the conference or included in the registration fee will not be eligible for per diem. A continental breakfast is not considered a meal for purposes of calculating meal allowance

Registration materials indicating which meals are provided as part of the registration must be submitted prior to receipt of per diem.

3. Transportation & Mileage - Travel by private car will be reimbursed at the current rate per mile approved by the U.S. Internal Revenue Service for use in connection with City business. For employees receiving a vehicle allowance, mileage reimbursement will be adjusted according to the applicable compensation & benefit plan. When attending conferences or meetings that are of such distance that it is more economical to take commercial transportation, if an employee proposes to drive their car in those cases, commercial air fare will be paid and not automobile mileage. Employees are strongly encouraged to choose the lowest cost for ground transportation taking into consideration reasonable travel time and other related cost factors such as parking. Airfare will be reimbursed at the cost of a coach fare.

4. Other Expenses - Actual cost of conference registration, business related telephone calls and internet connection services, parking and other legitimate expenses will be allowed.

Employees shall document all allowable travel-related expenditures with itemized receipts or invoices. For missing documents, the employee shall attach a Memorandum signed by the Department Head.

#### F. COSTS NOT ALLOWED

Costs for spouses or other family members accompanying City employees will not be reimbursed. Meals in the Tracy area, entertainment, laundry and valet services will not be reimbursed.

#### G. <u>OUT-OF-STATE TRAVEL</u>

Travel out-of-state, which exceeds \$2,000, shall be approved by the City Manager. Travel out-of-state under \$2,000 may be approved by the Finance Director or designee.

#### ATTACHMENT E

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#### H. BUDGETARY PROVISIONS

All anticipated conferences, conventions and professional meetings shall be budgeted for by the respective departments and offices in the current operating budget. The City Manager or designee may substitute one meeting for another to cover unusual or unexpected meetings of an urgent nature.

#### I. VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS

Voluntary contributions by outside agencies or by City employees themselves may be considered and approved as part of a travel request to help offset travel costs. In such cases, City funds may be used to cover part of the costs and work hours approved for employee attendance at a training seminar or conference, where the activity provides benefit to the City, contributes to the professional development of a City staff member and does not involve a conflict of interest.

Amended by Resolution 93-008, January 5, 1993 Amended by Resolution 97-021, January 7, 1997 Amended by Resolution 2019-098, May 21, 2019

## ATTACHMENT F

## **Source Documents**

City of Burbank
City of Covina
City of Elk Grove
City of Goleta
City of La Puente
City of Lancaster
City of Morro Bay
City of Poway
City of Richmond
City of San Luis Obispo
City of San Rafael
City of Santa Cruz
City of Santee
City of Vista
Encino Wastewater Authority
Fresno Irrigation District
Mid-Pen Reginal Open Space
City of Tracy Employee Travel
IRS Fringe Benefit Guidelines

City of Burbank

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#### TRACY CITY COUNCIL

<b>RESOLUTION NO.</b>	

- (1) RESCINDING RESOLUTION 2021-140, WHICH ADOPTED AND AMENDED THE POLICY FOR REIMBURSEMENT FOR TRAVEL AND EXPENSES FOR ELECTED AND APPOINTED OFFICIALS; AND
- (2) ADOPTING A NEW POLICY FOR REIMBURSEMENT FOR TRAVEL AND EXPENSES FOR ELECTED AND COUNCIL-APPOINTED OFFICIALS

**WHEREAS,** Government Code section 36514.5 allows Councilmembers to be reimbursed for actual and necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their official duties; and

**WHEREAS,** In January 2006, in accordance with AB 1234 (found in Government Code sections 53232 et seq.), the City Council adopted a "Policy for Reimbursement for Travel and Expenses for Elected and Appointed Officials"; and

**WHEREAS,** Government Code section 53232.2 requires all local agencies, which provide reimbursements to members of its legislative body, adopt a written policy identifying what expenses qualify for reimbursement and requiring the filing of expense reports; and

**WHEREAS,** On April 17, 2007, the City Council approved Resolution 2007-075 the Policy for Reimbursement for Travel and Expenses for Elected and Appointed Officials (Policy).

**WHEREAS,** On October 5, 2021, the City Council adopted Resolution 2021-140 amending the Policy to allow for travel reimbursement for expenses related to "Events where attendance of the Mayor and/or City Council is requested to attend and present a certificate on behalf of the City"; and

**WHEREAS,** The Policy was written in 2007 and has only had one minor amendment since that time, as noted above; and

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WHEREAS, The City Council of the City of Tracy believes that it is important that elected officials and officials appointed by the City Council (including the City Manager, City Attorney, Planning Commissioners, Parks Commissioners, Transportation Commissioners and other volunteer members of boards, commissions, and committees, collectively, "Officials") be governed by similar guidelines with respect to travel and expense reimbursements; and

**WHEREAS,** The City desires to modernize the Policy and adopt a new policy for the Officials, called the "Reimbursement for Travel and Expenses for Elected and Council-Appointed Officials City Council Policy", as shown on **Attachment A** (New Policy); now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED:** That the City Council of the City of Tracy hereby rescinds Resolutions 2021-140, which adopted and amended The Policy for Reimbursement for Travel and Expenses for Elected and Appointed Officials; and be it

**FURTHER RESOLVED:** That the City Council hereby adopts the new Policy Reimbursement for Travel and Expenses for Elected and Council-Appointed Officials shown on **Attachment A** (Policy); and be it

**FURTHER RESOLVED:** That the City Council hereby authorizes the City Manager to administer the Policy effective immediately; and be it

**FURTHER RESOLVED**: In the event of ambiguity on any terms of the Policy, the City Manager shall consult with and obtain from the City Attorney a determination; and be it

**FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the actions taken herein do not constitute a "project" under the California Environmental Quality Act.

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	e foregoing Resolution 2023 was adopted by the Tracy City , by the following vote:
ABSENT:	COUNCIL MEMBERS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: COUNCIL MEMBERS:
	NANCY D. YOUNG Mayor of the City of Tracy, California
ATTEST: ADRIANNE RIC City Clerk and C City of Tracy, Ca	clerk of the Council of the

Attachment A: Police for Reimbursement for Travel and Expenses for Elected and Appointed Officials

# POLICY FOR REIMBURSEMENT FOR TRAVEL AND EXPENSES FOR ELECTED AND APPOINTED OFFICIALS

The City Council of the City of Tracy believes that it is important that elected officials and officials appointed by the City Council (including the City Manager, City Attorney, Planning Commissioners, Parks Commissioners, Transportation Commissioners and other volunteer members of boards, commissions, and committees, collectively, "Officials") be governed by this Policy with respect to travel and expense reimbursements. Employees not covered by this policy shall be governed by the City of Tracy Travel Expense Administrative Policy.

The City Council believes that Officials should remain informed and trained in issues affecting the affairs of the City and that attendance at institutes, hearings, meetings, conferences, or other gatherings is of value to the City and its citizens. The benefits include:

- a. The opportunity to discuss the community's concerns with state and federal officials;
- b. Participation in regional, state and national organizations whose activities affect the City:
- c. Attending educational seminars improve officials' skill and information levels: and
- d. Promoting public service and morale by recognizing such service through serving, promoting, or creating benefits for the community of City of Tracy

At the same time, the City Council believes that travel expenses can be significant costs to the City and that Officials should be judicious when making travel arrangements and abide by all applicable laws and regulations regarding reimbursement of travel expenses. In order to promote the noted endeavors while protecting public resources and fostering public trust in the use of those resources, the City Council hereby sets forth the travel and expense reimbursement policies for the Officials of the City of Tracy.

All anticipated conferences, conventions and professional meetings shall be budgeted for in the current operating budget. As the trip is being paid for with public funds, it shall be the responsibility of the Official undertaking the trip to make every effort to attend the entire conference and/or as many sessions as possible.

Elected Officials also must comply with the requirements of the Ralph P. Brown Act (Act), during attendance at any conferences, conventions and professional meetings, regardless of whether such events occur outside of California. Elected Officials shall make travel arrangements and participate at events in a manner that

appropriately complies with the Act.

#### A. AUTHORIZED EXPENSES

Travel expenses shall be allowed or reimbursed for days actually spent on City business, for programmed days of a conference or meeting, and for time spent in travel to and from these events. Expenses shall be computed for the days of the conference or event attended and for travel days not to exceed one day before and after the event and shall be allowed only if time and/or travel schedules prohibit travel at reasonable hours on the actual beginning and ending days of a conference and/or meeting. Reasonable hours for purposes of this Policy are defined as the hours between 7 a.m. and 11 p.m.

City funds, equipment, supplies (including letterhead), titles, and staff time must only be used for authorized City business. Expenses incurred in connection with the following types of activities generally constitute authorized expenses, as long as the other requirements of this Policy are met and are do not exceed the budget allocation of each Official, including the cost of individual and or Citywide memberships required to secure the travel and/or training:

- **1.** Communicating with representatives of regional, state and national government on **G** adopted policy positions;
- **2.** Attending educational seminars designed to improve Officials' skill and information levels;
- **3.** Participating in regional, state and national organizations whose activities affect the City's interests;
- **4.** Recognizing service to the City (for example, thanking a longtime employee with a retirement gift or celebration of nominal value and cost);
- **5.** Implementing a Council-approved strategy for attracting to or retaining businesses in the City, for which the City Manager has requested Council attendance and will involve at least one staff member;
- **6.** Meetings such as those listed above for which a meeting stipend is expressly authorized under this Policy;
- **7.** Internet, wi-fi, and/or Cable TV expenses related to, and used in connection with, the official duties of City Councilmembers only; and

**8.** Events where attendance of the Mayor and/or City Council is requested to attend and present a certificate on behalf of the City.

Expenses for international and out-of-state travel, require prior City Council approval, with the exception of the following travel:

- City's annual Federal Lobby travel to Washington DC
- San Joaquin Council of Governments (SJCOG) annual "One Voice" travel to Washington DC
- National League of Cities annual Congressional Conference travel to Washington DC

Regardless of whether preapproved above or approved by the City Council per separate, travel shall not exceed the adopted budget for any Official unless additional budget authorization is granted by the City Council by formal action. Travel requests for international and out-of-state travel from the City Council should follow the City Council's Meeting Protocols for placement on the City Council agendas.

For the purposes of this Policy, if the City pays directly for the expenses such expenses are not eligible for reimbursement (e.g., conference fees).

#### B. UNAUTHORIZED EXPENSES

The City is subject to applicable State and federal laws regarding what constitutes reimbursable employee expenses. Certain expenses incurred by City officials may be deemed personal expenses and are not eligible for reimbursement by the City. Any questions regarding the propriety of a particular type of expense should be resolved by the approving authority before the expense is incurred. Examples of personal expenses that the City will not reimburse include, but are not limited to:

- **1.** The personal portion of any trip;
- 2. Political or charitable contributions or events;
- **3.** Family expenses, including partner's expenses, when accompanying official on agency-related business, as well as children or pet-related expenses;
- **4.** Entertainment expenses, including theater, movies (either in-room or at the theater), sporting events (including gym, massage and/or golf related expenses), or other cultural events:
- 5. Alcohol/personal bar expenses;
- **6.** Non-mileage personal automobile expenses, including repairs,

traffic citations, insurance, or gasoline;

- 7. Personal losses incurred while on City business;
- 8. Additional room related costs, such as early or late check out, laundry services, and/or upgraded parking expenses (i.e., valet when self-parking is available);
- **9.** Any extra travel fees, such as priority or preferred seating, extra luggage (more than 2 bags), pre-boarding/early bird boarding, extra leg room, or costs incurred for travel plan changes within 30 days of travel or after travel has been secured;
- 10. Memberships to organizations not approved by the City Council; and
- **11.** Travel and related expenses that do not reflect a direct business benefit to the City and the community.

#### C. COMPENSATION FOR ATTENDANCE AT MEETINGS

Compensation for meeting attendance shall be as follows:

- **1.** City Council members' stipends/salaries shall be set and enacted as mandated by the California Government Code.
- 2. Stipends to the members of the Planning Commission, Parks Commission, Transportation Commission and other Commissions appointed by Council shall be established by resolution of the City Council for meetings of their respective bodies as defined by the R.P Brown Act.
- 3. No additional stipends/salaries are paid to attend travel.

#### D. TRANSPORTATION

When attending conferences or meetings that are of such distance that it is more economical to take commercial transportation, if an employee proposes to drive their car in those cases, commercial air fare will be paid and not automobile mileage. In addition, Officials are strongly encouraged to choose the lowest cost for ground transportation, taking into consideration reasonable travel time and other related cost factors such as parking. The City shall reimburse for only the lowest cost option, regardless of the actual costs incurred by the Official.

1. Airfare. Allowable costs for air travel shall be calculated by using the shortest and most direct route with the least number of enroute stops. All air travel shall be booked as far in advance as possible (no later than 30 days from travel, if applicable), so as to receive the lowest fares possible

except where the lowest fare is for an overnight flight, which may be chosen by the individual but is not required. When the use of public air carrier transportation is used, travel for all Officials shall be in coach class or equivalent service that allows for at least one carryon bag. The City will only reimburse up to the cost of the least expensive ticket available via commercial air travel. Private automobile use to and from the airport shall be reimbursed for all miles at the prevailing IRS established rate. Parking at the closest location to the airport is reimbursable.

- 2. Automobile. Automobile mileage is reimbursed at Internal Revenue Service ("IRS") rates in effect at the time of travel. These rates are designed to compensate the driver for gasoline, insurance, maintenance, and other expenses associated with operating the vehicle. This amount does not include bridge and road tolls, which are also reimbursable. Bridge or road tolls may be reimbursed with proof of crossing (e.g. toll receipts, toll statements, travels or toll provider maps indicating passage to destination)
- 3. Ground Transportation: The most economical mode and class of ground transportation reasonably consistent with scheduling needs and cargo space requirements must be used, using the most direct and time-efficient route. Courtesy shuttle services, public transit, taxis, and/or rideshares should be used between airports and/or conference/meeting locations. Car rentals should only be used in special circumstances where the aforementioned services are not practical. Taxis and other local transportation may be used for travel to restaurants as associated with the business purpose for the travel. Receipts for ground transportation must be provided for reimbursements. A 15% gratuity with a minimum of \$3 is allowed.

#### E. LODGING

Lodging expenses will be reimbursed/paid for when travel on official City business reasonably requires an overnight stay. If such lodging is in connection with a conference, lodging expenses must not exceed the group rate published by the conference sponsor for the meeting in question if such rates are available at the time of booking. Travelers must request government rates, when available. If the group rate is not available, reimbursement at the IRS rate in effect at the time of travel shall apply (IRS Publication 463).

#### F. MEALS

The City has not adopted a local expense reimbursement policy identifying a "per diem" of reasonable rates for meals. Instead, meal expenses shall be reimbursed subject to the maximum per diem for the meal as set by the IRS rate in effect at the time of travel, based on the location of the event. (See Cal. Gov't Code §53232.2© and Publication 1542 at <a href="https://www.irs.gov">www.irs.gov</a>.)

Meals provided by the conference or included in the registration fee will not be eligible for per diem, regardless of whether the Official utilizes such meals. A continental breakfast is not considered a meal for purposes of calculating meal allowance. Registration materials indicating which meals are provided as part of the registration must be submitted prior to receipt of per diem.

#### G. MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES

Officials will be reimbursed for actual telephone, fax, and parking expenses incurred on City business. Telephone bills should identify which calls were made on City business.

#### H. TRAVEL AUTHORIZATION REQUEST

All Officials shall submit a Travel Authorization Request (through department designee) listing the expected expenses of the trip, including membership costs required as part of attendance. The travel request shall be submitted two weeks prior to the travel. The per diem check will be issued the week prior to travel and will include any prepaid expenses. Each Official must sign this request and is liable to the City for all monies advanced until an expense report is filed. Each Official must stay within their allotted travel budget for all costs paid by the City, including related costs (e.g., memberships and registration).

#### I. CREDIT CARD USE POLICY

The City does not issue credit cards to individual office holders but does have an agency credit card for selected City expenses. City Officials may use the City's credit card for such purposes as conference registration, airline tickets, and hotel reservations by following the same procedures allowed under the City's credit card policy.

Receipts documenting expenses incurred on the City credit card and compliance with this Policy must be submitted within five (5) working days of use. Except as allowed under Section 8(3), City credit cards may not be used for personal expenses, even if the Official subsequently reimburses the City.

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Inability to provide such documentation in a timely fashion may result in the expense being borne by the official.

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At the next regular City Council (or Board or Commission) meeting, each Elected Official shall make a brief report (written or oral) on meetings attended at City expense. If multiple Officials attended, a joint report may be made.

## L. COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS; VIOLATION

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Failure of an appointed Board or Commission member, after forty-five (45) days written notice, to complete the training required by AB1234 and this Policy shall result in the automatic removal of the member from their Board or Commission position.

#### Agenda Item 3.F

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

Staff recommends that the City Council appoint, by motion, a subcommittee of two Councilmembers, and an alternate, to interview applicants to fill one term vacancy on the Tracy Parks and Community Services Commission.

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

This item requests that City Council appoint two members of the City Council, and an alternate, to a subcommittee to interview applicants to fill a term vacancy on the Tracy Parks and Community Services Commission. This action can be completed by a motion on the floor.

#### BACKGROUND AND LEGISLATIVE HISTORY

On February 27, 2023, the current City of Tracy representative on the Tracy Parks and Community Services Commission notified staff that she would be resigning effective March 3, 2023. On December 12, 2022, interviews had taken place to fill a term vacancy. At that time an eligibility list was created. The person that was next in the eligibility list declined appointment so, a recruitment was opened on March 9, 2023 and ended on March 31, 2023.

#### **ANALYSIS**

In accordance with Resolution No. 2021-200 (attached to this report as Attachment A), a two-member subcommittee of Councilmembers, and an alternate, needs to be appointed to interview the applicants and make a recommendation to the full City Council.

#### FISCAL IMPACT

None

#### PUBLIC OUTREACH/ INTEREST

Notification of Tracy Parks and Community Services Commission recruitment was posted on the City's Social Media pages, Tracy Press, the City's website, and Channel 26.

#### STRATEGIC PLAN

This item is a routine operational item and does not relate to any of the Council's strategic plans.

#### ACTION REQUESTED OF THE CITY COUNCIL

That City Council, by motion, appoint a two-member subcommittee of two Councilmembers, and one alternate, to interview applicants to fill one term vacancy on the Tracy Parks and Community Services Commission.

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Prepared by: Necy Lopez, Deputy City Clerk

Reviewed by: Adrianne Richardson, City Clerk Nancy Ashjian, Assistant City Attorney

Nancy Ashjian, Assistant City Attorney Karin Schnaider, Assistant City Manager

Approved by: Midori Lichtwardt, Acting City Manager

Attachment A: Resolution 2021-200

#### RESOLUTION 2021-200

ADOPTING A COUNCIL POLICY ESTABLISHING A SELECTION PROCESS FOR APPOINTMENTS TO CITY ADVISORY BODIES AND REPEALING RESOLUTION NO. 2021-131

WHEREAS, On September 7, 2021, the Tracy City Council adopted Resolution 2021-131 establishing a policy for the selection process for appointments to City advisory Bodies and repealing Resolution 2020-009;

WHEREAS, The current policy states that Council shall appoint two Council Members to serve on a subcommittee to review applications, interview applicants and recommend a candidate for appointment to the board, commission or committee, and

WHEREAS, Council wishes to amend the language of Section 2 (D)(1) to state that Council shall appoint two members and an alternate to serve on a subcommittee to review applications, interview applicants and recommend a candidate for appointment to the board, commission or committee.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the City Council of the City of Tracy hereby adopts the Council Policy Establishing a Selection Process for Appointments to City Advisory Bodies, attached as Exhibit A, and thereby repeals and supersedes Resolution No. 2021-131.

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The foregoing Resolution 2021-200 was passed and adopted by the Tracy City Council on the 21st day of December, 2021, by the following vote:

AYES:

COUNCIL MEMBERS: ARRIOLA, BEDOLLA, DAVIS, VARGAS, YOUNG

NOES:

COUNCIL MEMBERS: NONE

ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBERS: NONE

ATTEST

ABSTAIN: COUNCIL MEMBERS: NONE

CITY CLERK

## COUNCIL POLICY ESTABLISHING A SELECTION PROCESS FOR APPOINTMENTS TO CITY ADVISORY BODIES

(Exhibit "A" to Resolution No. 2021-200)

#### SECTION 1: PURPOSE

To establish a selection process for appointments to City advisory bodies including defining residency requirements, in accordance with Government Code sections 54970 et seq.

### SECTION 2: SELECTION PROCESS FOR APPOINTEE BODIES

- A. On or before December 31st of each year, the City Clerk shall prepare an appointment list of all regular and ongoing boards, commissions and committees that are appointed by the City Council of the City of Tracy. The list shall contain the following information:
  - 1. A list of all appointee terms which will expire during the next calendar year, with the name of the incumbent appointee, the date of the appointment, the date the term expires and the necessary qualifications for the position.
  - 2. A list of all boards, commissions and committees whose members serve at the pleasure of the Council and the necessary qualifications of each position.
  - 3. The list of appointments shall be made available to the public for a reasonable fee that shall not exceed actual cost of production. The Tracy Public Library shall receive a copy of the list.
- B. Whenever a vacancy occurs in any board, commission or committee, whether due to expiration of an appointee's term, resignation, death, termination or other causes, a special notice shall be posted in the office of the City Clerk, The Tracy Public Library, the City website, and in other places as directed within twenty (20) days after the vacancy occurs. Final appointment to the board, commission or committee shall not be made by the City Council for at least ten (10) working days after the posting of the notice in the Clerk's office. If Council finds an emergency exists, the Council may fill the unscheduled vacancy immediately.
- C. Appointments shall be made for the remainder of the term created by the vacancy except as follows:
  - If appointee will fill an un-expired term with six months or less remaining, the appointment shall be deemed to be for the new term.
  - 2. If the vacancy is filled by an emergency appointment the appointee shall serve only on an acting basis until the final appointment is made pursuant to section 2.
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#### **RECOMMENDATION**

Staff recommends that the City Council appoint, by motion, Rosario Arulappan and Pio Fernandez to serve two (2) of the three (3) expired terms beginning March 1, 2023 and ending February 28, 2026 to the City of Tracy Measure V Residents' Oversight Committee.

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

On December 13, 2022, a recruitment for the City of Tracy Measure V Residents' Oversight Committee had been opened. This recruitment was extended a total of 3 times.

#### BACKGROUND AND LEGISLATIVE HISTORY

In anticipation of three (3) term expirations, a recruitment was opened on December 13, 2022 with the final recruitment closed on February 17, 2023. This recruitment was extended a total of 3 times, during which time three (3) applications were received.

According to Council Policy outlined in Resolution 2021-200, "If the Council subcommittee determines there are multiple qualified candidates, the subcommittee may recommend the Council establish an eligibility list that will be used to fill vacancies that occur in the following twelve (12) months."

#### ANALYSIS

On April 6, 2023, a Council subcommittee consisting of Mayor Pro Tem Davis and Council Member Evans, interviewed the three (3) applicants for the Measure V Residents' Oversight Committee. During the interview process, Rosario Arulappan and Pio Fernandez were selected to fill two (2) of the vacated terms. Since there was no one placed on the eligibility list, another recruitment will be opened to fill the third (3) vacancy.

#### FISCAL IMPACT

None

#### PUBLIC OUTREACH/ INTEREST

Notification of Measure V Residents' Oversight Committee recruitment has been posted on the City's Social Media pages, Tracy Press, the City's website, and Channel 26.

#### STRATEGIC PLAN

This item is a routine operational item and does not relate to any of the Council's strategic plans.

#### ACTION REQUESTED OF THE CITY COUNCIL

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Attachment A: Resolution 2021-200

#### RESOLUTION 2021-200

ADOPTING A COUNCIL POLICY ESTABLISHING A SELECTION PROCESS FOR APPOINTMENTS TO CITY ADVISORY BODIES AND REPEALING RESOLUTION NO. 2021-131

WHEREAS, On September 7, 2021, the Tracy City Council adopted Resolution 2021-131 establishing a policy for the selection process for appointments to City advisory Bodies and repealing Resolution 2020-009;

WHEREAS, The current policy states that Council shall appoint two Council Members to serve on a subcommittee to review applications, interview applicants and recommend a candidate for appointment to the board, commission or committee, and

WHEREAS, Council wishes to amend the language of Section 2 (D)(1) to state that Council shall appoint two members and an alternate to serve on a subcommittee to review applications, interview applicants and recommend a candidate for appointment to the board, commission or committee.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the City Council of the City of Tracy hereby adopts the Council Policy Establishing a Selection Process for Appointments to City Advisory Bodies, attached as Exhibit A, and thereby repeals and supersedes Resolution No. 2021-131.

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The foregoing Resolution 2021-200 was passed and adopted by the Tracy City Council on the 21st day of December, 2021, by the following vote:

AYES:

COUNCIL MEMBERS: ARRIOLA, BEDOLLA, DAVIS, VARGAS, YOUNG

NOES:

COUNCIL MEMBERS: NONE

ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBERS: NONE

ATTEST

ABSTAIN: COUNCIL MEMBERS: NONE

CITY CLERK

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(Exhibit "A" to Resolution No. 2021-200)

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To establish a selection process for appointments to City advisory bodies including defining residency requirements, in accordance with Government Code sections 54970 et seg.

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