THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF STANISLAUS ACTION AGENDA SUMMARY

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2)	Approved as recommended Denied		
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MOTION:			EM TO EXTEND THE HOURS OF OPERATION IN FANDARD #17, FROM 7:00 A.M. TO 9:00 P.M
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ATTEST: CHRISTINE FERRARO TALLMAN, Clerk

Deputy

File No. ORD-54-I-2

SUBJECT:

APPROVAL OF GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT NO. 2001-02 AND REZONE APPLICATION NO. 2001-03 - QUALITY MODULAR STRUCTURES, LLC.

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PLANNING COMMISSION RECOM-MENDATION CONTINUED:

- 2. FIND THAT THE PROPOSED GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT IS CONSISTENT WITH THE OVERALL GOALS AND POLICIES OF THE LAND USE ELEMENT OF THE COUNTY GENERAL PLAN AND THE OVERALL GENERAL PLAN.
- 3. APPROVE GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT NO. 2001-02.
- 4. FIND THAT THE PROPOSED PLANNED INDUSTRIAL ZONING IS CONSISTENT WITH THE PLANNED INDUSTRIAL GENERAL PLAN DESIGNATION.
- 5. APPROVE REZONE APPLICATION NO. 2001-03, SUBJECT TO THE ATTACHED AMENDED DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS

DISCUSSION:

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DISCUSSION CONTINUED:

Speaking in opposition to the proposal was Tina and Todd Rocha, owners of a .93 acre property located immediately adjacent to the south of the project site. Their opposition was based on concerns relating to noise associated with the hours of operation of the proposed use and a machining business being conducted in the southern building labeled as a machine shop on the site plan. Both speakers felt that the peak season hours, allowing activity until midnight, was to late and cited noise associated with nail guns and hammers as a concern. Both speakers did, however, stated there was no problem with the proposed use if the noise issues could be addressed with a restriction on the hours of operation. In addition, Todd Rocha raised the question as to whether the machining business would be allowed to remain in operation under the requested development plan.

Robert Hanson, project agent, spoke in favor of the project. He identified the on-site machine shop, storage for a local dairy operation, and contractor's office as existing uses operating under sub-leases expiring in the fall. The lease agreements originated with the Maffei Company and the intent of Quality Modular Structures is to not renew the lease agreements. These uses were not made a part of the development plan requested by Quality Modular Structures and, as such, will not be approved uses as a result of this request. Under the proposed development plan only the Quality Modular Structures operation would be permitted. He further stated that the surrounding neighbors have been notified of the on-site general manager to contact if issues arise and that in the last year the facility operated only under the usual hours of operation, 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., without a need to operate until midnight Following the public hearing, the Commission discussed the matter and approved a motion to amend the Development Standards to include a new standard limiting the hours of operation to 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Monday through Saturday.

On a motion by Commissioner Crivelli, seconded by Commissioner McWilliams, the Commission unanimously recommended approval, with amended development standards.

POLICY ISSUES:

The policies for general plan amendments are outlined in the attached staff report to the Commission. The project is within the Newman Sphere of Influence. Newman has no objections to the general plan change.

STAFFING IMPACT:

None.

ATTACHMENTS:

Planning Commission Staff Report, July 5, 2001 Planning Commission Minutes, July 5, 2001

STANISLAUS COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION

July 5, 2001

STAFF REPORT

GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT APPLICATION NO. 2001-02
REZONE APPLICATION NO. 2001-03
QUALITY MODULAR STRUCTURES, LLC

REQUEST:

REQUEST TO AMEND THE GENERAL PLAN AND ZONING DESIGNATION FROM AGRICULTURE/A-2-10 TO PLANNED INDUSTRIAL TO ALLOW A PORTION OF A 10.87 ACRE SITE TO BE UTILIZED BY QUALITY MODULAR STRUCTURES, A PORTABLE BUILDING FABRICATION BUSINESS

APPLICATION INFORMATION

Owners:

Applicant:

Agent:

Location:

Section, Township, Range:

Supervisorial District:

Assessor's Parcel:

Referrals:

Area of Parcel:

Water Supply:

Sewage Disposal:

Existing Zoning:

General Plan Designation:

Community Plan Designation:

Williamson Act:

Environmental Review:

Present Land Use:

Surrounding Land Use:

Maffei Company

Quality Modular Structures, LLC

Robert D. Hansen

West side of Highway 33, between Stuhr

Road and Jensen Road, in the Newman area.

(27431 Highway 33)

18-7-9

Five (Supervisor Caruso)

026-39-14

See Exhibit "I"

Environmental Review Referrals

10.87 acres

Private Well

Aerobic septic/leach field system

General Agriculture (A-2-10)

Agriculture

Not applicable

Not applicable

Mitigated Negative Declaration

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ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

Pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) the proposed project was circulated to all interested parties and responsible agencies, including the State Clearing House, the City of Newman, California State Department of Transportation, and the San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District for review and comment. No significant impacts were raised.

As discussed in the initial study for this project, the Stanislaus County Council of Governments (StanCOG) identified an adverse impact on the environment based on the Congestion Management Program (CMP) "worst case" average daily traffic calculation of 1,272 daily vehicle trips. The 1,272 daily vehicle trips assumes full build-out of the entire 10.87 acre site. In this case development will be limited to the existing structures, which equate to an average daily traffic calculation of 74 daily vehicle trips. Any further development of the site will require approval of

additional discretionary approvals, thus requiring additional traffic analysis. Both the County Public Works Department and the California State Department of Transportation have reviewed the project and determined a less than significant traffic impact.

DISCUSSION

The site is designated "Agriculture" on the Land Use Element of the General Plan and zoned General Agriculture 10-acre minimum (A-2-10). The intent of the Agricultural designation is to recognize the value and importance of agriculture by acting to preclude incompatible urban development within the agricultural area. In this case, the project site is located within the City of Newman's Local Agency Formation Commission's (LAFCO) approved Sphere of Influence, which recognizes the site's ultimate transition to urban use. Typically, land located within the SOI of cities would be designated Urban Transition, in conjunction with the General Agriculture 10-acre minimum zoning, to ensure that land remains in agricultural usage until urban development consistent with a city's (or unincorporated community's) general plan designation is approved.

As required by Policy no. 24 of the County General Plan, regarding projects within a city's sphere of influence, this project was referred to the City of Newman for preliminary approval. The City of Newman, in a referral response dated February 28, 2001, stated that "while the project site is located within an area designated for "General Commercial" uses, the manufacturing use of the site is consistent with potential uses that the City would consider in the area". The city's response further states, "..., the City of Newman supports the proposed rezoning for re-use of this site." (See exhibit "A")

Development standard no. 6 addresses the project site's compliance with the City of Newman's Highway 33 Specific Plan with respect to appearance including, but not limited to, landscaping and screening of outdoor storage areas, placement of signs, etc.

FINDINGS/POLICIES

With environmental impacts mitigated to insignificant levels, the keys to approval or denial of general plan amendment (and subsequent rezone) are land use issues. To evaluate this plan change we normally discuss the goals and policies of the General Plan, as adopted by the Board of Supervisors. We must also look at other findings required by the Board for approval of General Plan changes.

PLANNING CONSIDERATIONS

The following comparison is made between the goals and policies of the General Plan and the proposed project. The related policies shall be considered in evaluation proposals to amend the General Plan to avoid land use conflicts which have developed in the past, and which should be avoided in the future.

The consistency of a land use proposal is viewed in light of the jurisdiction's entire General Plan. In this regard, the Office of Planning and Research has provided the following explanation of consistency:

"Having reviewed court cases involving the question of consistency and conformity, the State Attorney General opinioned that, "Apparently, the term 'consistent with' is used interchangeably with 'conformity with' means 'agreement with; harmonious with'. Webster defines 'conformity with' as meaning harmony, agreement when used with 'with'. The term 'conformity' means in harmony herewith or agreeable to (see 58 Cals.Ops.Atty.Gen. 21,25 (1975).

Based on the wording of the law and various legal interpretations, a general rule for consistency determinations can be stated as follows: An action, program, or project is consistent with the General Plan if, considering all its aspects, it will further the objectives and policies of the General Plan and not obstruct their attainment.

Thus, an "exact match" is not needed between a project and a General Plan, but rather there must be "agreement or harmony" between a project and a General Plan. <u>Greenebaum v. City of Los Angeles</u> (1984) 153 Cal.App.3d 391,406. Ultimately, the Board of Supervisors has the final authority and will exercise its discretion to determine whether the project "furthers" the objectives and policies of the General Plan.

The following is a discussion of staff's views on the consistency of this proposal with the General Plan's Goals and Policies. For the sake of brevity, the policies with which staff believes this project is fully consistent or which are not applicable are not discussed. Commissioners may wish to refer to their personal copies of the General Plan to ensure that staff has indeed covered all appropriate topics.

LAND USE

Goal One - Provide for diverse land use needs by designating patterns which are responsive to the physical characteristics of the land as well as to the environmental, economic and social concerns of the residents of Stanislaus County.

- Policy 1 Land will be designated and zoned for agricultural, residential, commercial, industrial, or historical uses when such designations are consistent with other adopted goals and policies of the General Plan.
- <u>Policy 3</u> Land use designations shall be consistent with the criteria established in this element.
- Policy 10 New areas for urban development (as opposed to expansion of existing areas) shall be limited to less productive agricultural land. (This policy is the same as the Agricultural Elements policy 2.5)

The Planned Industrial designation (PI) is intended to provide locations for light industrial development. The proposed building fabrication operation is consistent with light industrial uses permitted within the Planned Industrial zoning district and will be conducted within a developed portion of the project site with no new development proposed.

Goal Two - Ensure compatibility between land uses.

Policy 14 - Uses shall not be permitted to intrude into an agricultural area if they are detrimental to continued agricultural usage of the surrounding area.

The General Plan identifies agricultural land within a Local Agency Formation Commission's (LAFCO) adopted Sphere of Influence (SOI) as less productive agricultural land. It is anticipated that land located within a SOI will be annexed and eventually utilized for urban development. The project site and adjacent agricultural lands are located within the City of Newman's SOI and, as such, the development of this site will not diminish the agricultural usage of the surrounding area.

FINDINGS REQUIRED FOR APPROVAL

GENERAL PLAN

General Plan amendments affect the entire County and any evaluation must give primary concern to the County as a whole, therefore, a fundamental question must be asked in each case: "Will this amendment, if adopted, generally improve the economic, physical and social well-being of the County in general?" Additionally, the County, in reviewing general plan amendments, shall consider the additional costs to the County that might be anticipated (economic, environmental, social) and how levels of public and private service might be affected. In each case, in order to take affirmative action regarding the general plan amendment application, it must be found that:

- 1. The general plan amendment will maintain a logical land use pattern without detriment to existing and planned land uses.
- 2. The County and other affected governmental agencies will be able to maintain levels of service consistent with the ability of the governmental agencies to provide a reasonable level of service.

In the case of a proposed amendment to the diagram of the Land Use Element, an additional finding must be established.

3. The amendment is consistent with the General Plan goals and policies.

These findings are established by Board of Supervisors policy for processing general plan amendments. As proposed, staff believes all of the necessary findings can be made. The proposed project offers a logical re-use of an existing facility without detriment to existing and planned land uses. The site's location within the City of Newman's adopted SOI recognizes the site's eventual transition to non-agricultural use and the City of Newman has recognize the site as suitable for the proposed use. There is no indication the proposed use of the site will adversely impact the county and other affected governmental agencies existing level of service or ability to provide a reasonable level of services. With the earlier portions of this report in mind, staff concludes the project is, on an overall basis, consistent with the overall goals and policies of the County General Plan.

REZONE

To approve a rezone, the Planning Commission must find that it is consistent with the General Plan. In this case, Planned Industrial zoning would indeed be consistent with the Planned Industrial designation.

RECOMMENDATION

Based on the foregoing discussion, staff recommends the project for approval. Should the Commission wish to approve the project, it should recommend that the Board of Supervisors:

- 1. Order the filing of a Mitigated Negative Declaration, find the project to be "De Minimis" for the purposes of Fish and Game Codes.
- 2. Find that the proposed general plan amendment is consistent with the overall goals and policies of the Land Use Element of the County General Plan and the overall General Plan.
- 3. Approve General Plan Amendment No. 2001-02.
- 4. Find that the proposed Planned Industrial zoning is consistent with the Planned Industrial General Plan designation.
- 5. Approve Rezone Application No. 2001-03, subject to the attached Development Standards

Report written by:

Angela Freitas, Associate Planner

Attachments:

Exhibit A: City of Newman referral response, dated February

28, 2001

Exhibit B: Maps

Exhibit C: Applicant's Site Photos

Exhibit D: Development Standards/Schedule

Exhibit E: Initial Study and Initial Study Comments

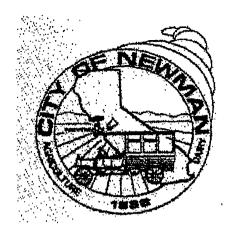
Exhibit F: Mitigation Monitoring Plan
Exhibit G: Mitigated Negative Declaration
Exhibit H: Certificate of Fee Exemption

Exhibit I: Environmental Review Referrals

Reviewed by:

Kirk Ford, Senior Planner

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Newman City Planning Department Staff Memorandum

February 28, 2001

To:

Angela Freitas, Assistant Planner

Stanislaus County Planning and Community Development Department

From:

Robert Borchard, AICP, Planning Directed

City of Newman Planning Department

Subject:

Quality Modular Structures, LLC; GPA-2001-02; RZ 2001-03

With respect to the above referenced project, City staff have met with the applicant and reviewed the existing and proposed uses for the site. The Planning Commission and City Council have discussed the project site several times over the years and it has been the consensus of both bodies that it is desirable to see this facility used in a manner that creates jobs for the City and region.

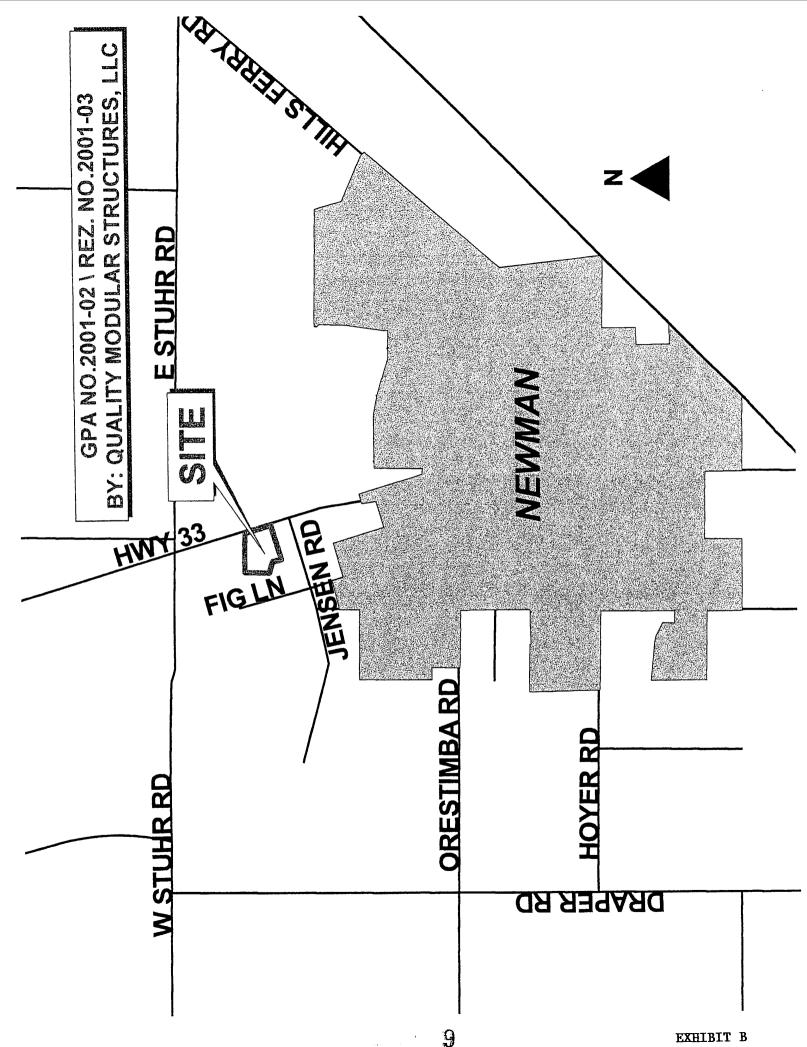
While the project site is located within an area designated for "General Commercial" uses, the manufacturing use of the site is consistent with potential uses that the City would consider in this area. At present, the City is undertaking an update of its General Plan and discussions have been held with respect to the location of business and industry relative to Highway 33 and Stuhr Road. The use of this site for planned industrial uses would be consistent with those discussions.

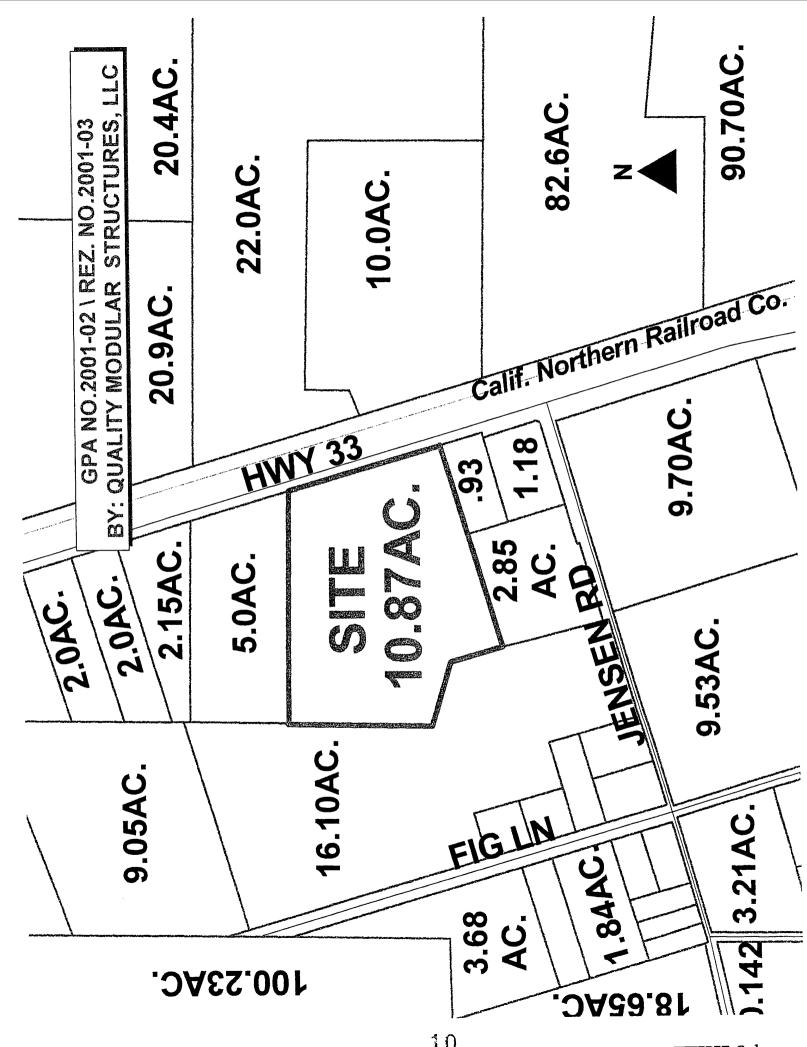
It should be pointed out, however, that the Stuhr Road/Highway 33 corridors represent entrances into the City of Newman whose appearance is important. The City has developed and adopted a Highway 33 Specific Plan that establishes development standards along the Highway 33 Corridor within the existing City limits. It is important that development along this entire corridor be reviewed with respect to appearance including, but not limited to, landscaping and screening of outdoor storage areas, placement of signs, etc.

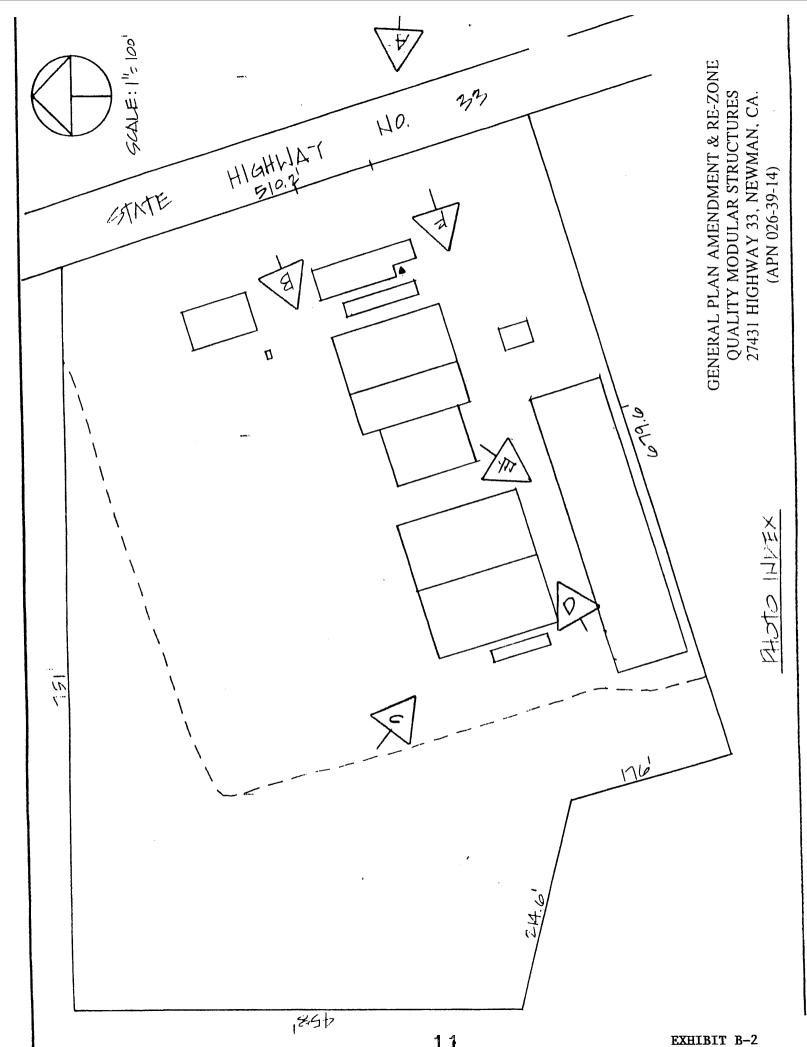
In direct response to your question, the City of Newman supports the proposed rezoning for re-use of this site. Thank you for your consideration of the City's position and concerns regarding this project. If you have any questions, please give me a call at your convenience.

co: Newman City Council

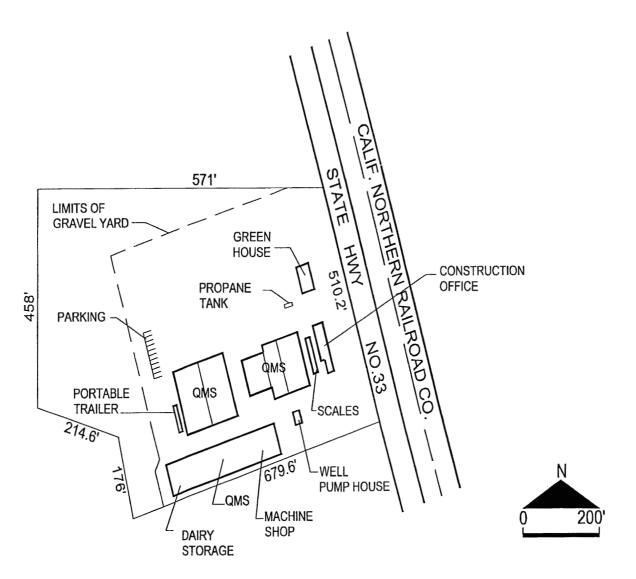
Newman City Planning Commission
M. Cleve Morris, Newnan City Manager







GPA NO.2001-02 \ REZ. NO.2001-03 BY: QUALITY MODULAR STRUCTURES , LLC



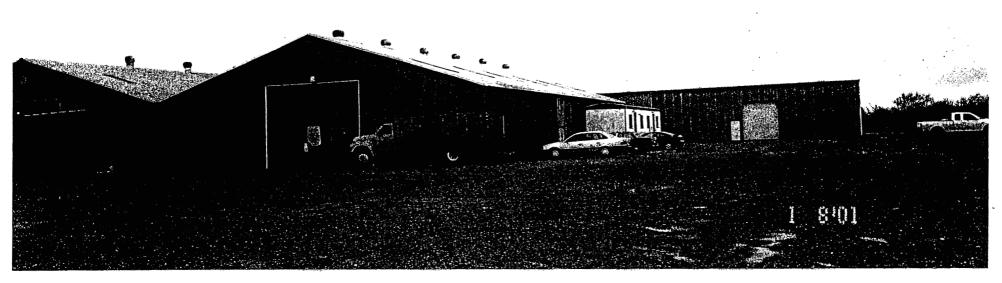


Photo C: View looking south easterly of the north and west exterior elevations of existing buildings.

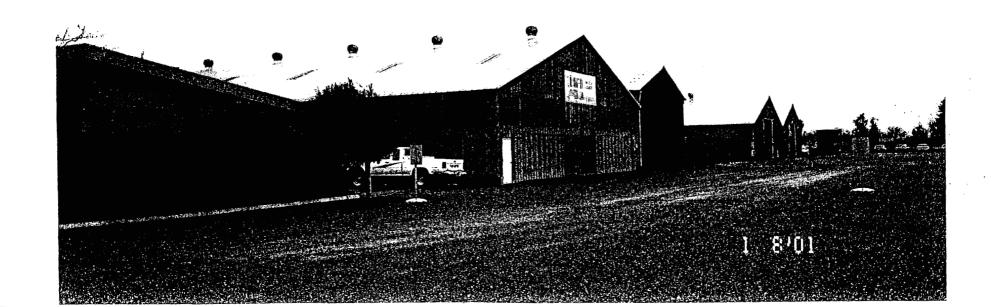
Photo D: View looking east of the north, south and west exterior elevations of existing buildings.

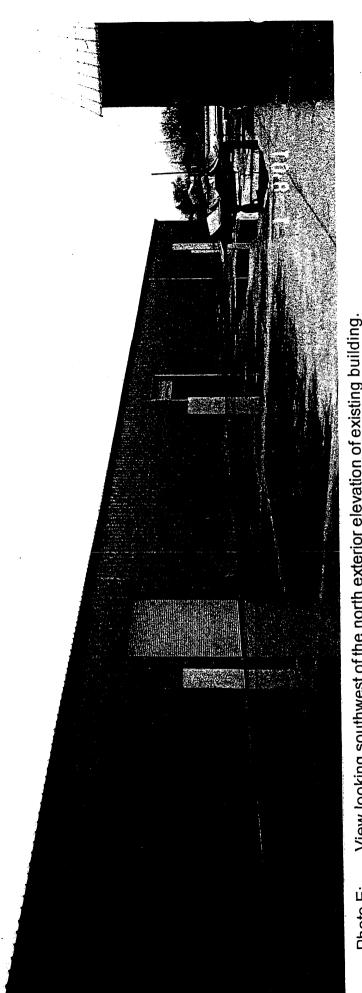




Photo A: Front view of the property looking west from Highway 33.

Photo B: View looking west of the north exterior elevations of existing buildings.





View looking southwest of the north exterior elevation of existing building. Photo E:

View looking west of the south and east exterior elevations of existing buildings. Photo F:



DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS/SCHEDULE

GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT APPLICATION NO. 2001-02 REZONE APPLICATION NO. 2001-03 QUALITY MODULAR STRUCTURES, LLC

DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS:

Department of Planning and Community Department

- 1. This project is to be constructed and operated as described in the application information submitted including submittals modifying the project in accordance with other laws and ordinances.
- 2. All uses within the Planned Industrial zone shall be consistent with the approved development plan.
- 3. The project shall comply with all development standards of the Planned Industrial zone, unless the Planning Commission grants specified exemptions based on justifiable reasoning and evidence presented by the applicant.
- 4. All exterior lighting shall be designed (aimed down and towards the site) to provide adequate illumination without a glare effect.
- 5. Any subsequent uses proposed on this property shall be subject to further discretionary approval in accordance with County Code Section 21.42.040(B).
- 6. The project shall comply with the City of Newman's adopted Highway 33 Specific Plan with respect to appearance along the Highway 33 corridor.
- 7. A plan for any proposed signs indicating the location, height, area of the sign, and message must be approved by the Director of Planning prior to installation.
- 8. Developer shall pay all applicable Public Facilities Impact Fees and Fire Facilities Fees as adopted by Resolution of the Board of Supervisors. The Fees shall be payable at the time of issuance of the building permit for any construction in the development project and shall be based on the rates in effect at the time of building permit issuance.
- 9. The subdivider is required to defend, indemnify, or hold harmless the County, its officers and employees from any claim, action, or proceedings against the County to set aside the approval of the map as set forth in Government Code Section 66474.9. The County shall promptly notify the subdivider of any claim, action, or proceeding to set aside the approval and shall cooperate fully in the defense.
- 10. Prior to the issuance of the Notice of Determination, the applicant shall pay, within 5 days of Planning Commission approval, a filing fee of \$50.00 to "Stanislaus County Clerk/Recorder" care of the Planning Department. Should the "De Minimis" finding be found invalid for any reason, the applicant/developer shall be responsible for payment of Department of Fish and Game Fees.

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Public Works Department

- 11. An encroachment permit shall be obtained from Caltrans for any new driveway approaches and/or modifications to the existing driveway at State Highway 33.
- 12. No parking, loading or unloading of vehicles shall be permitted within the right-of-way of State Highway 33. The developer will be required to install or pay for the installation of any signs and/or markings, if warranted.
- Any additional development of the property will require a Grading and Drainage Plan signed by a licensed civil engineer to be submitted that provides sufficient information to verify all runoff will be kept from going onto adjacent properties and the State Highway 33 right-ofway.
- 14. The entire property is located within the 100-year flood plan (Zone AO) with a projected two (2) foot depth of flooding. All future structures and substantial improves shall comply with regulations of the Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance, Stanislaus County Code Section 16.50.

Development Services

15. Buildings identified on the applicant's plot plan as numbers 1, 2, 3, and 7 shall require 3'-0" x 6'-8" Main Doors with 36" square flat hard landing, placed diagonally in buildings. The portable trailer identified as number 8 shall obtain all applicable building permits.

Stanislaus Consolidated Fire

16. Fire department access and water for fire protection shall be maintained in accordance with all applicable codes and ordinances.

Planning Commission

17. Hours of operation shall be limited to 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Monday through Saturday.

DEVELOPMENT SCHEDULE

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None specified.

Stanislaus County

Planning and Community Development

1010 10th Street, Suite 3400 Modesto, CA 95354 Phone: (209) 525-6330 Fax: 525-5911

CEQA INITIAL STUDY

Adapted from CEQA Guidelines APPENDIX G Environmental Checklist Form, Final Text, October 26, 1998

1. Project title: General Plan Amendment Application No. 2001-

02 and Rezone Application No. 2001-03- Quality

Modular Structures, LLC

2. Lead agency name and address: Stanislaus County Planning Department

1010 10th Street, Suite 3400

Modesto, CA 95354

3. Contact person and phone number: Angela Freitas, Associate Planner

(209) 525-6330

4. Project location: North side of Highway 33, between Stuhr Road

and Jensen Road, in the Newman area. (27431

Highway 33, Newman)

5. Project sponsor's name and address: Robert D. Hansen

111 West St. John Street, Suite 400

San Jose, CA 95113

6. General plan designation: Agriculture

7. Zoning: A-2-10 (General Agriculture)

8. Description of project:

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9. Surrounding land uses and setting:

Agricultural uses and ranchettes to the north, south, and west, State Highway 33 and agricultural uses to the east, and City of Newman to the south.

10. Other public agencies whose approval is required (e.g., permits, financing approval, or participation agreement.)

California State Department of Transportation Stanislaus County Public Works Department City of Newman

ENVIRONMENTAL FACTORS POTENTIALLY AFFECTED:

The environmental factors checked below would be potentially affected by this project, involving at least one impact that is a "Potentially Significant Impact" as indicated by the checklist on the following pages.

impact t	that is a "Potentially Significant I	mpact" as indicated by the checklist on t	he following pages.		
⊠Aesthetics		☐Agriculture Resources	☐ Air Quality		
☐Biological Resources		☐Cultural Resources	☐Geology /Soils		
□ _{Haza}	ards & Hazardous Materials	☐ Hydrology / Water Quality	☐ Land Use / Planning		
□Mine	ral Resources	□Noise	☐Population / Housing		
⊠Publ	ic Services	Recreation	☐Transportation/Traffic		
Utiliti	ies / Service Systems	☐ Mandatory Findings of Significance			
	RMINATION: (To be completed to be be said this initial evaluation:	by the Lead Agency)			
	I find that the proposed project COULD NOT have a significant effect on the environment, and a NEGATIVE DECLARATION will be prepared.				
I find that although the proposed project could have a significant effect on the environment, the not be a significant effect in this case because revisions in the project have been made by or a to by the project proponent. A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION will be prepared.			nave been made by or agreed		
	I find that the proposed project MAY have a significant effect on the environment, and a ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT is required.				
	unless mitigated" impact on the in an earlier document pursuan measures based on the earlie	t MAY have a "potentially significant imperentially significant imperention and the effect 1) to applicable legal standards, and 2) has ar analysis as described on attached so but it must analyze only the effects that	nas been adequately analyzed s been addressed by mitigation heets. An ENVIRONMENTAL		
	I find that although the proposed project could have a significant effect on the environment, because all potentially significant effects (a) have been analyzed adequately in an earlier EIR or NEGATIVE DECLARATION pursuant to applicable standards, and (b) have been avoided or mitigated pursuant to				

that earlier EIR or NEGATIVE DECLARATION, including revisions or mitigation measures that are
imposed upon the proposed project, nothing further is required.

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Angela Freitas		
Printed name	For	

EVALUATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS:

- 1) A brief explanation is required for all answers except "No Impact" answers that are adequately supported by the information sources a lead agency cites in the parentheses following each question. A "No Impact" answer is adequately supported if the referenced information sources show that the impact simply does not apply to projects like the one involved (e.g., the project falls outside a fault rupture zone). A "No Impact" answer should be explained where it is based on project-specific factors as well as general standards (e.g., the project will not expose sensitive receptors to pollutants, based on a project-specific screening analysis).
- 2) All answers must take account of the whole action involved, including off-site as well as on-site, cumulative as well as project-level, indirect as well as direct, and construction as well as operational impacts.
- 3) Once the lead agency has determined that a particular physical impact may occur, then the checklist answers must indicate whether the impact is potentially significant, less than significant with mitigation, or less than significant. "Potentially Significant Impact" is appropriate if there is substantial evidence that an effect may be significant. If there are one or more "Potentially Significant Impact" entries when the determination is made, an EIR is required.
- 4) "Negative Declaration: Less Than Significant With Mitigation Incorporated" applies where the incorporation of mitigation measures has reduced an effect from "Potentially Significant Impact" to a "Less Than Significant Impact." The lead agency must describe the mitigation measures, and briefly explain how they reduce the effect to a less than significant level (mitigation measures from Section XVII, "Earlier Analyses," may be cross-referenced).
- 5) Earlier analyses may be used where, pursuant to the tiering, program EIR, or other CEQA process, an effect has been adequately analyzed in an earlier EIR or negative declaration. Section 15063(c)(3)(D). In this case, a brief discussion should identify the following:
 - a) Earlier Analysis Used. Identify and state where they are available for review.
 - b) Impacts Adequately Addressed. Identify which effects from the above checklist were within the scope of and adequately analyzed in an earlier document pursuant to applicable legal standards, and state whether such effects were addressed by mitigation measures based on the earlier analysis.
 - c) Mitigation Measures. For effects that are "Less than Significant with Mitigation Measures Incorporated," describe the mitigation measures which were incorporated or refined from the earlier document and the extent to which they address site-specific conditions for the project.
- 6) Lead agencies are encouraged to incorporate into the checklist references to information sources for potential impacts (e.g., general plans, zoning ordinances). Reference to a previously prepared or outside document should, where appropriate, include a reference to the page or pages where the statement is substantiated.
- 7) Supporting Information Sources: A source list should be attached, and other sources used or individuals contacted should be cited in the discussion.
- 8) This is only a suggested form, and lead agencies are free to use different formats; however, lead agencies should normally address the questions from this checklist that are relevant to a project's environmental effects in whatever format is selected.
- 9) The explanation of each issue should identify:
 - a) the significance criteria or threshold, if any, used to evaluate each question; and
 - b) the mitigation measure identified, if any, to reduce the impact to less than significance.

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ISSUES				
I. AESTHETICS Would the project:	_			
a) Have a substantial adverse effect on a scenic vista?			\boxtimes	
b) Substantially damage scenic resources, including, but not limited to, trees, rock outcroppings, and historic buildings within a state scenic highway?				⊠
c) Substantially degrade the existing visual character or quality of the site and its surroundings?			×	
d) Create a new source of substantial light or glare which would adversely affect day or nighttime views in the area?			⊠	
will be consistent with the Planned Industrial zoning district, whe landscaping, screening, and fencing, and with the City of Newman will continue to utilize existing exterior lighting which may introduced adversely impacting adjacent properties and travelers along States A mitigation measure is being added to insure the lighting is designed. Mitigation: 1. All exterior lighting shall be designed (aimed down and town)	an's adopted huce a source Highway 33, gned to provid	Highway 33 of light and if not proper e adequate	Specific Plan glare, with the ly installed an illumination w	This project e potential to d maintained vithout a glare
a glare effect. References: County policies and staff experience.	·	·	·	
II. AGRICULTURE RESOURCES: In determining whether impacts effects, lead agencies may refer to the California Agricultural L prepared by the California Dept. of Conservation as an optional refarmland. Would the project:	and Evaluation	on and Site	Assessment	Model (1997
a) 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?				Δ
b) Conflict with existing zoning for agricultural use, or a Williamson Act contract?			×	
c) Involve other changes in the existing environment which, due to their location or nature, could result in conversion of Farmland, to non-agricultural use?				⊠

Discussion: The site is located within the Local Agency Formation Commission's (LAFCO) adopted sphere of influence of the City of Newman. The County Zoning Ordinance specifically excludes land within spheres of influence as being "most productive agricultural areas." It is the understanding that land within a sphere of influence will someday be

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annexed and as such the conversion of farmland is unavoidable. The portion of the site where non-agricultural use is being proposed is already developed with numerous accessory structures and graveled driveways, and, as a result, this portion of the site is not agriculturally viable. The undeveloped portion of the site is currently fallow and will remain as such under this proposal. However, undeveloped portion of the site may be utilized for agricultural activities if desired by the property owner. The site is not enrolled under a Williamson Act Contract.

The greatest agricultural impact is associated with normal farming activities such as spraying, plowing, fertilizing, etc., which may create dust, noise, and odors which may not be appreciated by the users of the project site. The County has a Right-to-Farm Ordinance in place to protect the agricultural users from unjust nuisance complaints. While the potential for urban/rural conflict exists, the impacts are less than significant and may diminish in the future as the City of Newman expands its City limits towards adjacent agricultural lands.

Mitigation: None.

References: Stanislaus County General Plan - Adopted October 1994 and the Stanislaus County General Plan Support Documentation - Adopted June 1987 and Stanislaus County Zoning Ordinance.

III. AIR QUALITY Where available, the significance criteria establish air pollution control district may be relied upon to make the following or			
a) Conflict with or obstruct implementation of the applicable air quality plan?			⊠
b) Violate any air quality standard or contribute substantially to an existing or projected air quality violation?			
c) Result in a cumulatively considerable net increase of any criteria pollutant for which the project region is nonattainment under an applicable federal or state ambient air quality standard (including releasing emissions which exceed quantitative thresholds for ozone precursors)?		⊠	
d) Expose sensitive receptors to substantial pollutant concentrations?			⊠
e) Create objectionable odors affecting a substantial number of people?			⊠

Discussion: The project site is located within the San Joaquin Valley Air Basin, which has been classified as "serious non-attainment" for ozone and respirable particular matter (PM-10) as defined by the Federal Clean Air Act. The San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District (SJVAPCD) has been established by the State in an effort to control and minimize air pollution. As such, the District maintains permit authority over stationary sources of pollutants.

Any pollutants generated by this project would be classified as being generated from "mobile" sources. Mobile sources would generally include dust from roads, farming, and automobile exhausts. Mobile sources are generally regulated by the Air Resources Board of the California EPA which sets emissions standards for vehicles, and acts on issues regarding cleaner burning fuels and alternative fuel technologies. As such, the SJVAPCD has addressed most criteria air pollutants through basin wide programs and policies to prevent cumulative deterioration of air quality within the Basin. This project was referred to the SJVAPCD for comments, but none were received.

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Mitigation: None				
References: San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District - Stanislaus County General Plan - Adopted October 1994.	Regulation VI	II Fugitive	Dust/PM-10	Synopsis and
IV. BIOLOGICAL RESOURCES Would the project:				
a) Have a substantial adverse effect, either directly or through habitat modifications, on any 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 Game or U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service?				⊠
b) Have a substantial adverse effect on any riparian habitat or other sensitive natural community identified in local or regional plans, policies, regulations or by the California Department of Fish and Game or US Fish and Wildlife Service?				×
c) Have a substantial adverse effect on federally protected wetlands as defined by Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (including, but not limited to, marsh, vernal pool, coastal, etc.) through direct removal, filling, hydrological interruption, or other means?				×
d) Interfere substantially with the movement of any 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?				⊠
e) Conflict with any local policies or ordinances protecting biological resources, such as a tree preservation policy or ordinance?				×
f) Conflict with the provisions of an adopted Habitat Conservation Plan, Natural Community Conservation Plan, or other approved local, regional, or state habitat conservation plan?				⊠
Discussion: It does not appear this project will result in impacts t	o endangered	species or	habitats, loc	ally designated

Discussion: It does not appear this project will result in impacts to endangered species or habitats, locally designated species, or wildlife dispersal or mitigation corridors. There are no known sensitive or protected species or natural communities located on the site and/or in the surrounding area.

Mitigation: None.

References: Stanislaus County General Plan - Adopted October 1994 and the Stanislaus County General Plan Support Documentation - Adopted June 1987.

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V. CULTURAL RESOURCES Would the project:				
a) Cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a historical resource as defined in x15064.5?				
b) Cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of an archaeological resource pursuant to ¤15064.5?				
c) Directly or indirectly destroy a unique paleontological resource or site or unique geologic feature?				
d) Disturb any human remains, including those interred outside of formal cemeteries?				
Discussion: The site has been farmed for many years and there known to exist on the site. The project will not involve construction human remains or potentially unique cultural resources.	are no uniquon activities	ue paleontol which could	ogical or geolo I result in the	ogical fixtures unearthing of
Mitigation: None				
References: Stanislaus County General Plan - Adopted October 19 Documentation - Adopted June 1987.	994 and the \$	Stanislaus C	ounty Genera	l Plan Support
VI. GEOLOGY AND SOILS Would the project: a) Expose people or structures to 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?			\boxtimes	
iii) Seismic-related ground failure, including liquefaction?				
iv) Landslides?				\boxtimes
b) Result in substantial soil erosion or the loss of topsoil?				
c) 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?				⊠
d) 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?				⊠
e) Have soils incapable of adequately supporting the use				\boxtimes

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of septic tanks or alternative waste water disposal systems where sewers are not available for the disposal of waste water?

Discussion: As contained on page 247 of the General Plan Support Document (June 1987), the areas of the County subject to significant geologic hazard are located in the Diablo Range, west of Interstate 5. Existing structures have been built according to building standards appropriate to withstand shaking for the area in which they are constructed. Any future modifications to existing structures, or the construction of new structures, will be subject to all applicable county policies and ordinances.

Mitigation: None.

References: Stanislaus County General Plan - Adopted October 1994, Stanislaus County General Plan Support Documentation - Adopted June 1987, and the Uniform Building Code (1997).

VII. HAZARDS AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS — Would the project:		
a) Create a significant hazard to the public or the environment through the routine transport, use, or disposal of hazardous materials?		⊠
b) Create a significant hazard to the public or the environment through reasonably foreseeable upset and accident conditions involving the release of hazardous materials into the environment?		×
c) Emit hazardous emissions or handle hazardous or acutely hazardous materials, substances, or waste within one-quarter mile of an existing or proposed school?		×
d) Be 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, would it create a significant hazard to the public or the environment?		
e) For a project 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, would the project result in a safety hazard for people residing or working in the project area?		×
f) For a project within the vicinity of a private airstrip, would the project result in a safety hazard for people residing or working in the project area?		☒
g) Impair implementation of or physically interfere with an adopted emergency response plan or emergency evacuation plan?		×
h) Expose people or structures to a significant risk of loss		\boxtimes

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injury or death involving wildland fires, including where wildlands are adjacent to urbanized areas or where residences are intermixed with wildlands?

Discussion: The County Department of Environmental Resources is responsible for overseeing hazardous materials and has not indicated any particularly concerns in this area. A private airstrip is located northwest of the Villa Manucha and Stuhr Roads intersection; roughly a quarter mile northwest of the site. The airstrip was established prior to 1980 and serves a crop dusting business and small aircraft repair facility. There is no indication, based on the history of both the project sites past use and the airstrips history, that the project site will be adversely impacted by the airstrip.

Pesticide exposure is a risk in areas located in the vicinity of agricultural uses. Sources of exposure include contaminated groundwater which is consumed and drift from spray applications. Application of sprays are strictly controlled by the Agricultural Commissioner and can only be accomplished after first obtaining permits. The groundwater is not known to be contaminated in this area.

Mitigation: None.

References: Stanislaus County General Plan - Adopted October 1994 and the Stanislaus County General Plan Support Documentation - Adopted June 1987.

VIII. HYDROLOGY AND WATER QUALITY -- Would the project: \boxtimes a) Violate any water quality standards or waste discharge requirements? \Box \boxtimes П b) Substantially deplete groundwater supplies or interfere substantially with groundwater recharge such that there would be a net deficit in aquifer volume or a lowering of the local groundwater table level (e.g., the production rate of pre-existing nearby wells would drop to a level which would not support existing land uses or planned uses for which permits have been granted)? \Box П 冈 c) Substantially alter the existing drainage pattern of the site or area, including through the alteration of the course of a stream or river, in a manner which would result in substantial erosion or siltation on- or off-site? X \Box d) Substantially alter the existing drainage pattern of the site or area, including through the alteration of the course of a stream or river, or substantially increase the rate or amount of surface runoff in a manner which would result in flooding on- or off-site? П \Box \boxtimes e) 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? \boxtimes f) Otherwise substantially degrade water quality? \boxtimes g) Place housing within a 100-year flood hazard area as mapped on a federal Flood Hazard Boundary or Flood Insurance Rate Map or other flood hazard delineation

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h) Place within a 100-year flood hazard area structures which would impede or redirect flood flows?			\boxtimes	
i) Expose people or structures to a significant risk of loss, injury or death involving flooding, including flooding as a result of the failure of a levee or dam?			⊠	
j) Inundation by seiche, tsunami, or mudflow?				\boxtimes
Discussion: Areas subject to flooding have been identified in accordant. The entire project site is located within the 100-year flood plass flooding. The existing structures have been constructed in accordant Any future modifications to existing structures, or the construction county policies and ordinances. Mitigation: None References: Stanislaus County Public Works - referral response of County General Plan - Adopted October 1994, and the Stanislaus Adopted June 1987.	ain (Zone AC nce with coun n of new stru ated Februar	y) with a proj ty flood dam ctures, will b y 15, 2001 a	dected two (2) age prevention be subject to and April 4, 200	foot depth of n ordinances. all applicable 01, Stanislaus
IX. LAND USE AND PLANNING - Would the project:				
a) Physically divide an established community?				\boxtimes
b) Conflict with any applicable land use plan, policy, or regulation of an agency with jurisdiction over the project (including, but not limited to the general plan, specific plan, local coastal program, or zoning ordinance) adopted for the purpose of avoiding or mitigating an environmental effect?			⊠	
c) Conflict with any applicable habitat conservation plan or natural community conservation plan?				
Discussion: There is no possibility of dividing any community in the	s case, nor a	re there any	conservation	plans in effect

Discussion: There is no possibility of dividing any community in this case, nor are there any conservation plans in effect in the area. The site is designated Agriculture and zoned General Agriculture. If this project is approved the project site will be designated and zoned Planned Industrial (PI). The PI zoning district permits only uses consistent with an adopted development plan. In this case, the proposed development plan will allow only the existing portable building fabrication business to operate within the sites existing structures. The City of Newman has reviewed the project and found it to be consistent with potential uses that the City would consider for the area.

Mitigation: None.

References: City of Newman - referral response dated February 28, 2001, Stanislaus County General Plan - Adopted October 1994 and the Stanislaus County General Plan Support Documentation - Adopted June 1987.

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X. MINERAL RESOURCES Would the project:				
a) Result in the loss of availability of a known mineral resource that would be of value to the region and the residents of the state?				
b) Result in the loss of availability of a locally-important mineral resource recovery site delineated on a local general plan, specific plan or other land use plan?				×
Discussion: The location of all commercially viable mineral resources State Division of Mines and Geology in Special Report 173. There a project area.				
Mitigation: None.				
References: State Division of Mining & Geology-Special Report 173 October 1994, and the Stanislaus County General Plan Support Do				Plan - Adopted
XI. NOISE Would the project result in:				
a) Exposure of persons to or generation of noise levels in excess of standards established in the local general plan or noise ordinance, or applicable standards of other agencies?			⊠	
b) Exposure of persons to or generation of excessive groundborne vibration or groundborne noise levels?				⊠
c) A substantial permanent increase in ambient noise levels in the project vicinity above levels existing without the project?			⊠	
d) A substantial temporary or periodic increase in ambient noise levels in the project vicinity above levels existing without the project?			⊠	
e) For a project 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, would the project expose people residing or working in the project area to excessive noise levels?				⊠
f) For a project within the vicinity of a private airstrip, would the project expose people residing or working in the project area to excessive noise levels?			⊠	

Discussion: The General Plan identifies 75 Ldn as the normally acceptable level of noise for agriculture, industrial, manufacturing, and other similar land uses. Noise impacts associated with on-site activities and associated traffic is not

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anticipated to exceed the normally acceptable level of noise. observed by staff during a cursory site visit conducted during significant noise on record from the occupants of adjoining property.	normal business	dication of a s hours. Th	a significant ere are no c	noise impact complaints of
Mitigation: None				
References: California Office of Noise Control - Land Use Comp County General Plan - Adopted October 1994, Stanislaus Count 1987, and staff experience.				
XII. POPULATION AND HOUSING Would the project:		,		
a) Induce substantial population growth in an area, either directly (for example, by proposing new homes and businesses) or indirectly (for example, through extension of roads or other infrastructure)?				⊠
b) Displace substantial numbers of existing housing, necessitating the construction of replacement housing elsewhere?				⊠
c) Displace substantial numbers of people, necessitating the construction of replacement housing elsewhere?				⊠
Discussion: No substantial numbers of housing or persons wi site will not create significant service extensions that could be or				ed use of the
Mitigation: None.				
References: Stanislaus County General Plan - Adopted Octob	er 1994 and the	Stanislaus (County Zonin	g Ordinance.
XIII. PUBLIC SERVICES a) Would the project 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 any of the public services:				
Fire protection?		\boxtimes		
Police protection?		\boxtimes		
Schools?			⊠	
Parks?			⊠	
Other public facilities?		\boxtimes		

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Discussion: As a condition of approval, a Change of Occupancy will be required for all existing structures, once utilized by Maffei Seed. Review of the building permit records identify that the former use type of the existing structures are consistent with the use type proposed by the Quality Modular Structures operation and, as such, payment of Public Facilities Impact Fees will not be required. However, all permitted users of the structures will be subject to a case-by-case review at the time any Change of Occupancy is required and may be subject to additional Public Facilities Fees based on the use type. The County has adopted a standardized mitigation measure requiring payment of all applicable Public Facilities Fees, as well as one for the Fire Facility Fees on behalf of the appropriate fire district, to address impacts to pubic services and this measure has been included. The applicant has been made aware of the need to obtain a building permit for the portable trailer which has been placed on the site and is being utilized as both an office and demonstration model for Quality Modular Structures. Any building permit issued for the portable trailer will be subject to all applicable Public Facilities Impact Fees and Fire Facilities Fees. A mitigation measure has been added to insure that the development is kept in compliance with fire department standards with respect to access and water for fire protection.

Mitigation:

- 2. The developer shall pay all applicable Public Facilities Impact Fees and Fire Facilities Fees as adopted by Resolution of the Board of Supervisors. The Fees shall be payable at the time of issuance of the building permit for any construction in the development project and be based on the rates in effect at the time of building permit issuance.
- 3. Fire department access and water for fire protection shall be maintained in accordance with all applicable codes and ordinances.

References: Stanislaus Consolidated Fire, referral response dated February 14, 2001, County Policies, Stanislaus County General Plan - Adopted October 1994, and the Stanislaus County General Plan Support Documentation - Adopted June 1987.

XIV. RECREATION		
a) Would the project increase the use of existing neighborhood and regional parks or other recreational facilities such that substantial physical deterioration of the facility would occur or be accelerated?		⊠
b) Does the project include recreational facilities or require the construction or expansion of recreational facilities which might have an adverse physical effect on the environment?		⊠

Discussion: The project is not anticipated to increase significant demands for recreational facilities, as such impacts typically are associated with residential development.

Mitigation: None.

References: County Policies, Stanislaus County General Plan - Adopted October 1994, and the Stanislaus County General Plan Support Documentation - Adopted June 1987.

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XV. TRANSPORTATION/TRAFFIC Would the project:				
a) Cause an increase in traffic which is substantial in relation to the existing traffic load and capacity of the street system (i.e., result in a substantial increase in either the number of vehicle trips, the volume to capacity ratio on roads, or congestion at intersections)?			⊠	
b) Exceed, either individually or cumulatively, a level of service standard established by the county congestion management agency for designated roads or highways?			⊠	
c) Result in a change in air traffic patterns, including either an increase in traffic levels or a change in location that results in substantial safety risks?				⊠
d) Substantially increase hazards due to a design feature (e.g., sharp curves or dangerous intersections) or incompatible uses (e.g., farm equipment)?				⊠
e) Result in inadequate emergency access?			\boxtimes	
f) Result in inadequate parking capacity?			\boxtimes	
g) Conflict with adopted policies, plans, or programs supporting alternative transportation (e.g., bus turnouts, bicycle racks)?				⊠
Discussion: Both the County Public Works Department and the reviewed the project and determined a less than significant Governments (StanCOG) has reviewed the project and indicated based on the Congestion Management Program (CMP) "worst vehicle trips. The 1,272 daily vehicle trips assumes full build-out development will be limited to the existing structures, which equive vehicle trips. Any further development of the site will require requiring additional traffic analysis.	traffic impact it may have case" averag t of the entire ate to an ave	t. The Sta an adverse e daily traffi 10.87 acre erage daily to	nislaus Coun impact on the calculation site. Howeveraffic calculation	ty Council of e environment of 1,272 daily er, in this case on of 74 daily
Mitigation: None				
References: California State Department of Transportation - recounty Dept of Public Works - referral responses dated February Governments - referral response dated February 23, 2001, Stan Stanislaus County General Plan Support Documentation - Adopt	iry 15, 2001 a islaus County	and April 4, 2 General Pla	2001, Stanisla	aus Council of
XVI. UTILITIES AND SERVICE SYSTEMS Would the project:				
a) Exceed wastewater treatment requirements of the applicable Regional Water Quality Control Board?			⊠	
b) Require or result in the construction of new water or wastewater treatment facilities or expansion of existing				\boxtimes

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facilities, the construction of which could cause significant environmental effects?				
c) Require or result in the construction of new storm water drainage facilities or expansion of existing facilities, the construction of which could cause significant environmental effects?				⊠
d) Have sufficient water supplies available to serve the project from existing entitlements and resources, or are new or expanded entitlements needed?			☒	
e) Result in a determination by the wastewater treatment provider which serves or may serve the project that it has adequate capacity to serve the project's projected demand in addition to the provider's existing commitments?				⊠
f) Be served by a landfill with sufficient permitted capacity to accommodate the project's solid waste disposal needs?				
g) Comply with federal, state, and local statutes and regulations related to solid waste?				
Discussion: Limitations on providing services have not been idention-site well and septic system. Any future modifications to existiwill be subject to all applicable county policies and ordinances.				
Mitigation: None.				
References: County Public Works Department, Stanislaus Cou Stanislaus County General Plan Support Documentation - Adopte				1994 and the
XVII. MANDATORY FINDINGS OF SIGNIFICANCE				
a) Does the project have the potential to degrade the quality of the environment, substantially reduce the habitat of a fish or wildlife species, cause a fish or wildlife population to drop below self-sustaining levels, threaten to eliminate a plant or animal community, reduce the number or restrict the range of a rare or endangered plant or animal or eliminate important examples of the major periods of California history or prehistory?				
b) Does the project have impacts that are individually limited, but cumulatively considerable? ("Cumulatively considerable" means that the incremental effects of a project are considerable when viewed in connection with the effects of past projects, the effects of other current projects, and the effects of probable future projects)?			⊠	

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c) Does the project have environmental effects which will cause substantial adverse effects on human beings, either directly or indirectly?				×

Discussion: Review of this project has not indicated any feature(s) which might significantly impact the environmental quality of the site and/or adjacent areas. As such, all identified project-significant impacts have been mitigated to a level of less than significant.

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Mitigation Monitoring Plan

Adapted from CEQA Guidelines sec. 15097 Final Text. October 26, 1998

April 9, 2001

1. Project title and location:

General Plan Amendment Application No. 2001-

02 and Rezone Application No. 2001-03- Quality

Modular Structures, LLC

2. Project Applicant name and address:

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San Jose, CA 95113

3. Person Responsible for Implementing

Mitigation Program (Applicant Representative): Robert D. Hansen

4. Contact person at County:

Angela Freitas, Associate Planner

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MITIGATION MEASURES AND MONITORING PROGRAM:

List all Mitigation Measures by topic as identified in the Mitigated Negative Declaration and complete the form for each measure.

I. AESTHETICS

No. 1_ Mitigation Measure:

All exterior lighting shall be designed (aimed

down and towards the site) to provide adequate

illumination without a glare effect.

Who Implements the Measure:

Applicant.

When should the measure be implemented:

Upon project approval.

When should it be completed:

Continuous.

Who verifies compliance:

Stanislaus County Planning Department

Other Responsible Agencies:

None.

XIII. PUBLIC SERVICES

No. 2 Mitigation Measure:

The developer shall pay all applicable Public Facilities Impact Fees and Fire Facilities Fees as adopted by Resolution of the Board of

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Supervisors. The Fees shall be payable at the time of issuance of the building permit for any construction in the development project and be based on the rates in effect at the time of building permit issuance.

Who implements the Measure:

Applicant

When should the measure be implemented:

Upon project approval.

When should it be completed:

Continuous.

Who verifies compliance:

Development Services - Building Department.

Other Responsible Agencies:

Stanislaus Consolidated Fire and Planning

Department.

No. 3 Mitigation Measure:

Fire department access and water for fire

protection shall be maintained in accordance with

all applicable codes and ordinances

Who implements the Measure:

Applicant.

When should the measure be implemented:

Upon project approval.

When should it be completed:

Continuous.

Who verifies compliance:

Stanislaus Consolidated Fire.

Other Responsible Agencies:

Development Services - Building Department and

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Planning Department.

I the undersigned, do hereby certify that I understand and agree to be responsible for implementing the Mitigation Program for the above listed project.

Person Responsible for Implementing

Miligation Program

Robert D. Hansen, for

Quality Modular Structures, LLC

MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION

NAME OF PROJECT: General Plan Amendment 2001-02 and Rezone 2001-03 -

Quality Modular Structures, LLC

LOCATION OF PROJECT: West side of Highway 33, between Stuhr Road and

Jensen Road, in the Newman area.

(27431 Highway 33)

PROJECT DEVELOPER: Robert D. Hansen

Quality Modular Stuctures, LLC

111 West St. John Street, Suite 400

San Jose, CA 95113

DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT: This is a request to amend the General Plan and Zoning

Designation from Agriculture/A-2-10 to Planned Industrial to allow a portion of a 10.87 acre site to be utilized by Quality Modular Structures, a portable building fabrication

business.

Based upon the Initial Study, dated April 9, 2001, the Environmental Coordinator finds as follows:

- 1. This project does not have the potential to degrade the quality of the environment, nor to curtail the diversity of the environment.
- 2. This project will not have a detrimental effect upon either short-term or long-term environmental goals.
- 3. This project will not have impacts which are individually limited but cumulatively considerable.
- 4. This project will not have environmental impacts which will cause substantial adverse effects upon human beings, either directly or indirectly.

The aforementioned findings are contingent upon the following mitigation measures (if indicated) which shall be incorporated into this project:

- 1. All exterior lighting shall be designed (aimed down and towards the site) to provide adequate illumination without a glare effect.
- 2. Developer shall pay all Public Facilities Fees and Fire Fees as adopted by Resolution of the Board of Supervisors. The Fees shall be payable at the time of issuance of a building permit for any construction in the development project and shall be based on the rates in effect at the time of building permit issuance.

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3. Fire department access and water for fire protection shall be maintained in accordance with all applicable codes and ordinances.

The Initial Study and other environmental documents are available for public review at the Department of Planning and Community Development, 1010 10th Street, Suite 3400, Modesto, California.

Initial Study prepared by: Angela Freitas, Associate Planner

Submit comments to:

Stanislaus County

Planning and Community Development Department

1010 10th Street, Suite 3400 Modesto, California 95354

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CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME

CERTIFICATE OF FEE EXEMPTION

De Minimis Impact Finding

Project Title/Location (include county):

General Plan Amendment 2001-02 and Rezone 2001-03 - Quality Modular Structures, LLC, located at 27431 Highway 33, in Newman, Stanislaus County

Project Description: This is a request to amend the General Plan and Zoning Designation from Agriculture/A-2-10 to Planned Industrial to allow a portion of a 10.87 acre site to be utilized by Quality Modular Structures, a portable building for fabrication business

Findings of Exemption (attach as necessary):

The Stanislaus County Planning Commission make a finding of "De Minimis" on this project for the following reasons:

- 1) The site is not in a riparian corridor;
- 2) The site is not identified on the Natural Diversity Data Base as having any threatened or endangered animals or plants or any sensitive habitat; and
- 3) This division will not result in the ability to construct additional residences.

Certification:

I hereby certify that the public agency has made the above finding and that the project will not individually or cumulatively have an adverse effect on wildlife resources, as defined in Section 711.2 of the Fish and Game Code.

(Chief Planning Office	cial)
Title: Lead Agency: Date:	Planning Director Stanislaus County

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SUMMARY OF RESPONSES: ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW REFERRALS PROJECT: GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT 2001-02 AND REZONE 2001-03 - QUALITY MODULAR STRUCTURES, LLC

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MOUNTAIN VALLEY EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES	Y	Y		V							T
MUNICIPAL ADVISORY COUNCIL											T
PARKS & FACILITIES	Y			Y							
P.G. & E.	Y	Y		X							T
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D. GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT APPLICATION NO. 2001-02 AND REZONE APPLICATION NO. 2001-03 - QUALITY MODULAR STRUCTURES, LLC.

Request to amend the General Plan and Zoning designation from Agriculture/A-2-10 to Planned Industrial to allow a portion of a 10.87 acre site to be utilized by Quality Modular Structures, a portable building fabrication business. The property is located at 27431 Highway 33, in the Newman area. A Mitigated Negative Declaration will be considered.

APN: 026-39-14

Staff Report: Kirk Ford Recommends APPROVAL.

Public hearing opened.

OPPOSITION: Todd Rocha, 27513 Highway 33, Newman **FAVOR:** Bob Hansen, 27431 S. Highway 33, Newman

Public hearing closed. Public hearing re-opened.

OPPOSITION: Tina Rocha, 27513 Highway 33, Newman **FAVOR:** Bob Hansen, 27431 S. Highway 33, Newman

Public hearing closed.

Crivelli/McWilliams, Unanimously, RECOMMENDED APPROVAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, WITH AMENDED CONDITIONS.

EXCERPT
PLANNING COMMISSION
MINUTES
FORETARY, PLANNING COMMISSION
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DATE

ORDINANCE NO. C.S. - 768

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING SECTIONAL DISTRICT MAP NO. 9-110.910 FOR THE PURPOSE OF REZONING A 10.87 ACRE SITE FROM AGRICULTURE/A-2-10 TO PLANNED INDUSTRIAL TO ALLOW THE DEVELOPED PORTION OF THE SITE TO BE UTILIZED BY QUALITY MODULAR STRUCTURES, A PORTABLE BUILDING FABRICATION BUSINESS. LOCATED ON THE WEST SIDE OF STATE HIGHWAY 33, BETWEEN STUHR AND JENSEN ROADS, IN THE NEWMAN AREA. APN: 026-39-14

The Board of Supervisors of the County of Stanislaus, State of California, ordains as follows:

Section 1. Sectional District Map No. 9-110.910 is adopted for the purpose of designating and indicating the location and boundaries of a District, such map to appear as follows:

(Insert Map Here)

Section 2. This ordinance shall take effect and be in full force thirty (30) days from and after the date of its passage and before the expiration of fifteen (15) days after its passage it shall be published once, with the names of the members voting for and against same, in the West Side Index, a newspaper of general circulation published in Stanislaus County, State of California.

Upon motion of Supervisor Blom, seconded by Supervisor Caruso, the foregoing ordinance was passed and adopted at a regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Stanislaus, State of California, this 28th day of August, 2001, by the following called vote:

AYES: Supervisors: Mayfield, Blom, Simon, Caruso and Chair Paul

NOES: Supervisors: None

ABSENT: Supervisors: None

ABSTAINING: Supervisors: None

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CHAIR OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
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California

ATTEST:

CHRISTINE FERRARO TALLMAN, Clerk of

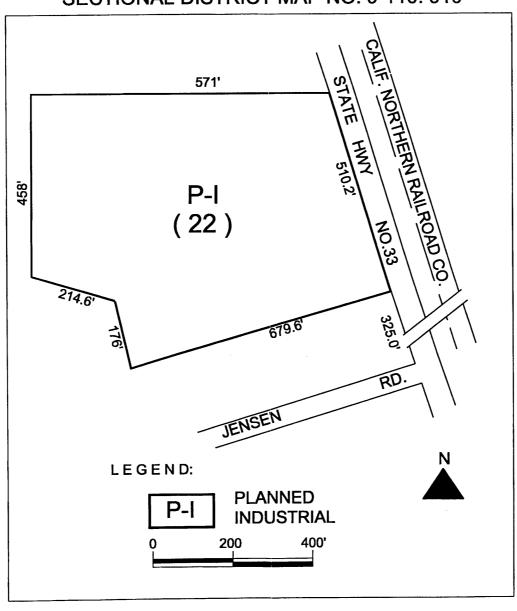
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BY:

Seputy Clerk of the Board

SECTIONAL DISTRICT MAP NO. 9-110. 910



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STATE OF CALIFORNIA County of Stanislaus

I am a citizen of the United States and a resident of the County aforesaid; I am over the age of eighteen years, and not a party to or interested in the above-entitled matter. I am the printer, foreman or principal clerk of THE WEST SIDE INDEX a newspaper of general circulation, printed and published weekly in the City of Newman, County of Stanislaus, and which newspaper has been adjudged a newspaper of general circulation by the Superior Court of the County of Stanislaus, State of California, under the date of April 25, 1952, Case Number 46882; that the notice, of which the annexed is a printed copy (set in type not smaller than nonpareil), has been published in each regular and entire issue of said newspaper and not in any supplement thereof on the following dates, to-wit:

all in the year 2001.
I certify (or declare) under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.
Dated at Newman, California, this 6th day of
September , 2001.
Julaud Mallos Signature

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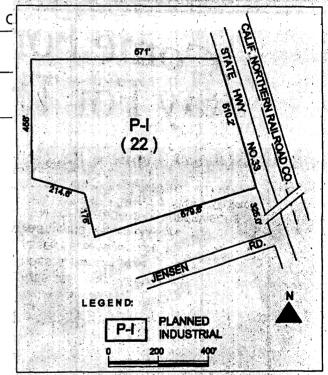
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ATTEST: CHRISTINE FERRARO TALLMAN,

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of

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