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- MEMO TO: Stanislaus County Planning Commission
- FROM: Department of Planning and Community Development

### SUBJECT: TIME EXTENSION FOR GENERAL PLAN APPLICATION NO. GPA2007-03 AND REZONE APPLICATION NO. REZ2007-03 - FRUIT YARD

### **PROJECT DESCRIPTION**

This is a request to amend the Development Schedule for Planned Development (P-D) No. 317 by extending the development time frame from August 19, 2015, to August 19, 2030, with approved uses allowed to move from one phase to another to react to market conditions (see Attachment 1.)

Planned Development (317) was approved on August 19, 2008, to allow for the development of a 44+/- acre parcel over three phases. The project included development of a 9,000 square-foot banquet facility, a new convenience market and relocation of an existing gas station, relocation of the existing "card lock" fueling facility, and construction of a 3,000 square-foot retail shell building, which includes a drive-through establishment of unknown type. The applicant/property owner was also permitted a 322-space boat/RV mini storage (both covered and uncovered spaces) and a 66 space travel trailer park for short term (overnight) stays and a 2.0 acre site for retail tractor (large agricultural equipment) sales. The request included a new facility for fruit packing and warehousing. All substantially modified or new uses would include on-site vehicle parking, landscaping, and other accessory uses. Finally, occasional outdoor special events would be held on-site, near and on the 9-acre park area, including fund raising activities to private parties. Below is an overview of the three approved development phases for P-D 317. The overview includes the development schedule, as originally proposed, and the current development status is provided in [brackets]:

Phase 1 (to be completed 1 to 3 years from date of approval)

- Construction of a 9,000 squar- foot Banquet Building/Facility, [not started]
- Upgrades to park area, corresponding landscaping, and on-site parking for new or substantially modified uses [partially completed]
- Conduct occasional outdoor events, including fund raising and activities to private parties [conducted, some events were conducted with amplified noise before an acoustical analysis was prepared.]

#### Phase 2 (to be completed 2-5 years from date of approval)

- 322-space Mini Storage with Boat & RV storage, [not started]
- 66-space, short term, RV Park, [not started]
- Tractor Sales Facility, [not started, Use Permit required] and
- Fruit Packing Facility [not started, Use Permit required]

## Phase 3 (to be completed 3 to 7 years from date approval)

- Relocation of Existing Gas Station and Convenience Market, [not started]
- Relocation Card Lock Fueling Station, [not started] and
- 3,000 square-foot Retail Building with drive-thru [not started]

The approved site plan, reflecting development phases, is provided on page 21 of Attachment 2 – August 19, 2008 Board of Supervisors Report. Based on the Planning Commission's recommendation, the Board of Supervisors approved the project with an amended Development Schedule allowing that "uses may be moved from one phase to another to react to market conditions" (See Attachment 3 August 19, 2008, Approved P-D 317 Development Standards and Development Schedule.) Consequently, the development schedule for the project was scheduled to expire on August 19, 2015. The applicant, Joe Traina and his agent Dave Romano submitted a request for a project time extension on August 14, 2015.

As part of the time extension request, the applicant has identified the updated project phasing as follows:

Backbone Infrastructure 2014-2018

- Master storm drainage facility (basin and trunk line) 2014-2015 [work started]
- Fire water trunk line (tank and booster pumps) 2015-2016
- Sewer system (if needed) 2016-2018
- Water system (if needed) 2016-2018

Phase 1 (pursuant to approved site plan) 2016-2021

- Park site improvements and upgrades
- Banquet Building/Facility
- Mini-Storage with RV/Boat storage facility

## Phase 2 (pursuant to approved site plan) 2020-2025

- RV Park
- Fruit Packing Facility
- Truck Sales Facility

## Phase 3 (pursuant to approved site plan) 2025-2030

- RV/Truck fueling
- Gas Station Relocation
- Retail Building

As with the current approval, the applicant's is proposing that the updated project phasing may be moved from one phase to another to react to market conditions.

On January 21, 2010, the Planning Commission approved Vesting Tentative Parcel Map Application No. 2009-08 – The Fruit Yard, allowing the creation of twelve parcels ranging in size from 0.60 +/- to 12.70 acres in conformance with uses allowed under P-D No. 317. The Fruit Yard Parcel Map (56PM83) was recorded on October 31, 2012, (*see Attachment 4 Parcel Map 56PM83*). The applicant has made improvements to the site in compliance with the Parcel Map conditions of approval.

If approved as requested, the new development schedule would give the applicant until August 19, 2030, to start construction of any one of the project phases.

## DISCUSSION

#### Applicant's Demonstration of Good Cause

The application cites reasons for the extension, highlighted by the following statement as included in the applicant's written support.

"During the processing of the project, in 2007/2008, the economy, both locally and nationally, was subject to a substantial downturn, and this downturn slowed the development of the project after approval. Over the last few years, as the economy has started to recover, The Fruit yard owner has been able to commence development of the project. A Parcel Map has been recorded creating all the proposed development parcels for the PD. As part of road widening projects in the area, road dedications have been made, and improvements constructed to further the development of the site. The central nine (9) acre park is under construction and includes a storm drainage basin and amphitheater. Sections of the ring road around the perimeter of the park are being constructed. Utilities are being constructed to provide service to all of the PD parcels proposed for development."

Section 21.40.090(B) of the Stanislaus County Zoning Ordinance speaks to the allowance of modifying a Planned Development's Development Schedule. This section states:

Upon request by the property owner and for good cause shown, the planning commission may extend the time limits of the development schedule; provided that any request for an extension of time limits shall be on file in the office of the director of planning prior to the expiration of any time limit required by the development schedule.

The project time extension is a discretionary act in that it does grant approval of continued life for the Planned Development which otherwise would expire. A large reason why Development Schedules (for Planned Developments) do not last indefinitely is that the need to recognize the passage of time may have caused agencies to look at the project differently.

In order to approve the time extension, the Planning Commission will need to find that the request is both consistent with the County General Plan (as a whole) and that "good cause" has been shown by the applicant for the time extension request.

### Compliance with Approved Site Plan and Performance Standards

In 2013, the applicant applied for a grading permit to develop the storm drainage basin. The approved grading plan included the grading for an amphitheater. The grading permit was issued on January 29, 2015, and the grading has occurred; however, the grading permit did not provide authorization for use of the amphitheater. The grading permit has received one inspection to date and has not been finaled.

On November 23, 2015, the applicant applied for a Use Permit application to develop and use the amphitheater on part of the park site. This time extension request does not involve or include the development of the amphitheater, as it was not approved as part of the original Planned Development.

As approved, P-D 317 allows the park site to be open to the general public during normal business hours and for public and private special events to be conducted, without the need of obtaining a license issued by the Sheriff's Department in accordance with Stanislaus County Code – Section 6.40 – Outdoor Entertainment Activities in the Unincorporated Area, provided an acoustical analysis be conducted prior to any outdoor use of amplified sound or blasting devices to insure noise levels do not exceed the maximum allowable noise levels as allowed by the County's General Plan Noise Element. The number of private and public events was not limited.

Residents in the vicinity have complained about traffic and the use of amplified noise emanating from the site from private parties and special events since the 2008 approval. Outdoor events with amplified noise at the park site and outside of the restaurant have been held without an approved acoustical analysis; however, if issued an Outdoor Entertainment permit by the Sheriff, an acoustical analysis would not necessarily be required. An Outdoor Entertainment permit would; however, restrict the number of events permitted and would still require compliance with County noise standards.

An acoustical analysis was recently drafted for use of amplified noise from the proposed amphitheater. Staff reviewed and evaluated the analysis and requested an amended scope of work to include events located outside of the proposed amphitheater. The noise is one of the issues that will be evaluated as part of the subsequent Use Permit application.

### California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Compliance

In reviewing this request, it was circulated to various agencies including those agencies with Development Standards placed on the approved P-D (317), *(see Attachment 6 Environmental Review Referrals)*. No referral responses identifying significant comment or objection to the subject request have been received from various agencies/departments and no additional Development Standards have been requested.

Under California law, a request for time extension of a project that previously was subject to CEQA review may be exempt from CEQA or may be evaluated under the standard, triggering subsequent or supplemental CEQA review (under Public Resources Code Section 21166 and CEQA Guidelines Section 15162). In order to trigger additional review when the project was previously approved with a Negative Declaration, a significant environmental effect must be identified. No significant environmental effects were identified by responding agencies and parties.

#### Neighborhood Comments

Staff has been contacted by neighboring residents, expressing concern about the development and use of the amphitheater, along with past noise complaints associated with amplified noise heard from events held at The Fruit Yard.

A staff approval permit application was submitted and circulated to neighbors proposing limited use of the amphitheater (limited to a maximum of six events per year with no use of amplified sound and not to be used independent of other events conducted at the park site). Due to the limited use that would be allowed by staff approval permit; the applicant is proposing a Use Permit to request extended use as a stand-alone event center. The use permit application will be processed through the normal process requiring a new environmental assessment,

landowner notifications, and a public hearing for consideration of the request by the Planning Commission.

The applicant conducted a neighborhood on meeting on September 21, 2015, at The Fruit Yard Restaurant, to discuss the status and process of constructing the amphitheater.

A letter from Tom Douglas was submitted on November 3, 2015, expressing concern with the proposed amphitheater, *(see Attachment 5 Letter from Tom Douglas, dated November 3, 2015).* Mr. Douglas has been informed that a Use Permit Application has been submitted for the development of the amphitheater and he desires to have his comments apply to that application. He has since voiced that he is not in opposition to the time extension request.

## PLANNING COMMISSION OPTIONS

Staff recommends that the Planning Commission approve the time extension application as requested. If the Planning Commission decides to approve this request, Staff recommends that the following findings must be made:

- 1. Find that the time extension request is consistent with the County's General Plan; and
- 2. Find that the applicant has shown good cause for being granted a time extension.

The Planning Commission may also decide to approve this request with a lesser number of years then the applicant is requesting. If this is the course of action the Commission wishes to take, the same findings as listed above for the approval will have to be made.

If the Planning Commission decides to deny this request, Staff recommends that the following findings must be made:

1. Find that the findings required for approval cannot be made, and deny the time extension request for General Plan Amendment N0. 2007-03 and Rezone Application No. 2007-03 – The Fruit Yard.

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Attachments: Attachment 1 -	Applicant's August 14, 2015 Time Extension Request, including updated project phasing.
Attachment 2 -	Board of Supervisors Report for GPA No. 2007-03 and REZ Application No. 2007-03 – The Fruit Yard, dated August 19, 2008 with partial attachments – the complete attachments are available on-line.
Attachment 3 -	August 19, 2008 Approved P-D 317 Development Standards and Development Schedule
Attachment 4 - Attachment 5 - Attachment 6 -	Parcel Map 56PM83. Letter from Tom Douglas, dated November 3, 2015 Environmental Review Referrals.

## Fruit Yard Extension – Written Support

The Fruit Yard project is located at the intersection of Geer/Albers Road and Yosemite Blvd/State Route 132. This is a key intersection in the County, and provides services to residents from Waterford to Modesto, and from Oakdale to Turlock. The Crossroads Feed Store and Masellis Well Drilling are also located at this intersection, in addition to the Fruit Yard development which is made up of a gas station, a restaurant, bar and banquet facility, a fruit market, a card lock fueling facility, and a developed park that has a long history of use for local and community events.

In March of 2007, the Fruit Yard submitted an application for a Planned Development (PD) identifying the long term plans for the site and its development. Such development plans included the completion of the central park, the relocation of the gas and card lock fueling facilities, a new small retail building, a new, larger banquet room, a RV/Boat storage facility, a small RV park, and future tractor sales and dry & fresh fruit packing facilities. This plan was approved by the County Board of Supervisors on August 19, 2008.

During the processing of the project, in 2007/2008, the economy, both locally and nationally, was subject to a substantial downturn, and this downturn slowed the development of the project after approval. Over the last few years, as the economy has started to recover, the Fruit Yard owner has been able to commence development of the project. A Parcel Map has been recorded creating all the proposed development parcels for the PD. As part of road widening projects in the area, roadway dedications have been made, and improvements constructed to further the development of the site. The central nine (9) acre park is under construction and includes a storm drainage basin and amphitheater. Sections of the ring road around the perimeter of the park are being constructed. Utilities are being constructed to provide service to all of the PD parcels proposed for development.

The Fruit Yard is requesting an extension of the PD as: (i) the Fruit Yard still intends to develop the PD as approved by the Board of Supervisors, (ii) the economy has recovered enough to allow the developer to commence with development of the site, (iii) all of the parcels associated with the future development of the PD have been created, and (iv) improvements (at substantial cost) have been constructed to serve the parcels and development of the PD. Based on the foregoing, the extension of the PD as requested is appropriate and necessary.

# August, 2015 Updated Project Phasing

The Fruit Yard (P-D 317) 7948 Yosemite Blvd. Modesto, California

## Backbone Infrastructure 2014-2018

- Master Storm Drainage Facility (basin and trunk line) 2014-2015
- Fire Water Trunk Line (tank and booster pumps) 2015-2016
- Sewer system (If needed) 2016-2018
- Water system (if needed) 2016-2018

## Phase 1 (pursuant to approved site plan) 2016-2021

- Park site improvements & upgrades, including amphitheater. Portions of the park site improvements (roads) will be developed in conjunction with the adjacent future development.
- Banquet Building/Facility.
- Mini-Storage with RV/Boat storage facility (frontage improvement plans and required improvements pursuant to condition no. 17 (PM 2009-08).

## Phase 2 (pursuant to approved site plan) 2020-2025

- RV Park
- Fruit Packing Facility
- Tractor Sales Facility

## Phase 3 (pursuant to approved site plan) 2025-2030

- RV/Truck fueling
- Gas station relocation
- Retail building

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CHRISTINE FERRARO TALLMAN, Clerk

**MOTION CONTINUED ON PAGE 1-A** ATTACHMENT 2 File No. ORD-55-H-8

ATTEST:

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### **MOTION CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1**

constructed from "E" Street to Triangle Ranch Road or the Agricultural parcel is developed, then the wall must be extended the full length of that development."; amended the Development Standards to add Development Standard No. 69 to read as follows: "No individual "RV Park" space shall be occupied by the same individual, trailer, recreational vehicle, or movable sleeping quarter of any kind for a period exceeding (14) fourteen consecutive days within a one month period. This applies to owner/operator of the RV/camper/trailer, all occupants, and the RV/camper/trailer itself."; and, introduced and waived the reading and adopted Ordinance C.S. 1033 for the approved Rezone Application #2007-03

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## SUBJECT: (Continued)

Property from A-2-40 (General Agriculture) to PD (Planned Development) on a 45+/- Acre Site. This Would Authorize a Development Plan for the Fruit Yard Which Would Include a 9,000 Square Foot Banquet Facility, Relocation of the Existing Fueling Facilities, Construction of a 3,000 Square Foot Retail Shell Building, a 322 Space RV/Boat Storage, a 66 Space Travel Trailer Park, a New Facility for Fruit Packing, and a 2.00 Acre Site for Retail Tractor Sales. Outdoor Events and Entertainment Are Proposed to Be Held on the Park Site. The Project Is Located at 7948 Yosemite Boulevard/Highway 132 East of the Community of Empire and West of the City of Waterford. APN: 009-027-004.

## PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION: (Continued)

- 2. Find That:
  - A. The substitute language for Mitigation Measure No. 3 identified as Development Standard No. 71 is equivalent or more effective in mitigating or avoiding potential significant effects and that it in itself will not cause any potentially significant effect on the environment
- 3. Adopt the Mitigation Monitoring Plan, with the substitute language for Mitigation Measure No. 3, pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15074(d).
- 4. Order the filing of a Notice of Determination with the Stanislaus County Clerk-Recorder's Office pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21152 and CEQA Guidelines Section 15075.
- 5. Find That:
  - A. The General Plan amendment will maintain a logical land use pattern without detriment to existing and planned land uses,
  - B. 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,
  - C. The amendment is consistent with the General Plan goals and policies,
  - D. Overall, the proposal is consistent with the goals and policies of the General Plan,
  - E. There is evidence on the record to show a demonstrated need for the proposed project based on population projections, past growth rates, and other pertinent data,
  - F. No feasible alternative site exists in areas already designated or planned for the proposed uses,
  - G. Approval of the proposal will not constitute part of, or encourage piecemeal conversion of a larger agricultural area to non-agricultural uses, and will not be growth-inducing (as used in the California Environmental Quality Act),

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- H. The proposed project is designed to minimize conflict and will not interfere with agricultural operations on surrounding agricultural lands or adversely affect agricultural water supplies,
- I. Adequate and necessary public services and facilities are available or will be made available as a result of the development,
- J. The design of the proposed project has incorporated all reasonable measures, as determined during the CEQA review process, to mitigate impacts to fish and wildlife resources, air quality, water quality and quantity, or other natural resources,
- K. The proposed Planned Development zoning is consistent with the proposed Planned Development General Plan designation,
- L. The project will increase activities in and around the project area, and increase demands for roads and services, thereby requiring dedication and improvements, and
- M. Development Standard No. 71 is more effective than the noise mitigation measure circulated with the initial study and mitigation monitoring plan.
- 6. Find that the proposed Planned Development zoning is consistent with the Planned Development General Plan designation.
- 7. Approve General Plan Amendment No. 2007-03 and Rezone Application No. 2007-03, including Phases 1, 2, and 3, subject to the modifications to the Development Standards and Development Schedule as recommended by the Planning Commission.

## **DISCUSSION:**

This is a request to authorize a development plan for The Fruit Yard to facilitate the development of a 9.000 square foot banquet facility, relocation of the existing gas station and a new convenience market, relocation of the existing "card lock" fueling facility, and construction of a 3,000 square foot retail shell building which includes a drive through establishment of unknown type. The applicant/property owner has also requested authorization for a 322 space boat/RV storage (both covered and uncovered spaces) and a 66 space travel trailer park for short term (overnight) stays and a 2.0 acre site for retail tractor (large agricultural equipment) sales. Finally, the request includes a new facility for fruit packing and warehousing, although these uses are consistent with the current zoning of the property which allows such uses with a Use Permit. All substantially modified or new uses will include on-site vehicle parking, landscaping, and other accessory uses. As part of the applicant's statement, occasional outdoor special events are held on site, near the 9 acre park area, including fund raising activities to private parties. The project will have its own well and septic system. Currently, thirty nine (39) acres of the 45 acre site are planted in a variety of stone fruit (cherries, peaches, apricots, and nectarines). Please see the attachments for a more detailed project description and phasing time-frame (see Attachment No. "1").

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The Fruit Yard site development, by definition, is considered a legal non-conforming use which dates back many years ago when an Old Foamy Drive-In was located on the site. The project site is already developed with a small park site which has been used in the past for both private and public events. There is a great deal of additional background information available about the history of the Fruit Yard site, including the discretionary permit approvals, discussed in the Planning Commission Staff Report (see Attachment No. "1").

## **Approvals**

This project has two approvals that are required:

- Amend the Land Use Element Map of the County General Plan from Agricultural (AG) to Planned Development (PD).
- Rezone the property from Agricultural (A-2-40) to Planned Development (PD).

To evaluate a General Plan Amendment, the goals and policies of the General Plan must be reviewed. In addition, County policy, adopted by the Board of Supervisors, sets forth additional findings, listed above, necessary for approval of a request to amend the General Plan. The goals and policies of the General Plan listed in the Planning Commission Staff Report are focused on those goals and policies which staff believes are most relevant to making the findings necessary for determining the subject project's consistency with the overall General Plan. A complete discussion on General Plan consistency can be found in the attached Planning Commission Staff Report (see Attachment No. "1"). To approve a Rezone, the Board must find that it is consistent with the General Plan. In this case, Planned Development zoning would indeed be consistent with the proposed Planned Development designation.

## **Planning Commission Hearing**

The Planning Commission held a public hearing on this project at its regular meeting of July 17<sup>th</sup>, 2008. Staff believed that this current request was inconsistent with the Goals and Polices of the General Plan. Staff's recommendation was to allow only Phase 1 of the proposed development. Staff felt that the Phase One portion of this project was a logical extension of the already established legal nonconforming uses. Staff was concerned If all phases of this proposed project were approved, a precedence would be set for allowing general plan amendments and rezones on neighboring agricultural properties for the development of commercial uses. Unlike phase one of the proposed project, phases two and three have no real relationship to the existing on-site legal nonconforming uses or agriculture in general. A detailed discussion of Staff's recommendation can be found in the attached Planning Commission Staff Report.

Following staff's recommendation for approval, Chair Assali opened the public hearing. Mr. Tim Douglas, an adjacent homeowner, spoke in opposition to the project expressing a general concern regarding noise levels in conjunction with the past and proposed outdoor events. Prior to the Planning Commission meeting, Mr. Douglas had also provided Planning Staff with a letter of opposition. The context of this letter mainly focused on the need to control noise levels after 10pm. The applicant and Mr. Douglas have since come to an agreement of the noise concerns that were raised at the meeting. The applicant's representative, Dave Romano (Newman-Romano, LLC) spoke in favor of the project.

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Following the closing of the hearing, the Commission discussed the project indicating positions both against and in favor of the project. The Commission discussion focused primarily on the topic related to the general plan and preserving it from approval of non-agricultural uses. Commissioner Navarro and Shores felt that the scale of the entire project was too large and would result in the removal of land in agricultural production. As discussed above, Staff's recommendation was to approve only Phase 1 of the project. The Commissioner Poore, voted 4-2 (Shores, Navaro) to support the project in it's entirety and recommend the Board approve Phases 1, 2, and 3 subject to the modifications to the Development Standards and Development Schedule as modified by the Planning Commission.

## **Modified Development Standards**

As a part of this action, Staff is recommending that the Board modify Development Standard No. 55 to reflect the following language:

 Concurrent with the development of either the RV/Boat Storage or the RV Park parcels, a six-foot high masonry wall, or an MID approved equal, is required along the south line of applicant's property adjacent to MID Lateral 1. This fence shall extend from Geer Road to a point 10 feet west of the proposed "E" Drive right-of-way. If "F" Way is constructed from "E" Street to Triangle Ranch Road or the Agricultural parcel is developed, then the wall must be extended the full length of that development.

If the Board decides to approve the "RV Park" portion of this project, Staff is asking that the following Development Standard be added to address the length of time one could stay at the proposed RV Park. Due to Staff oversight, this development standard was not recommended to the Planning Commission.

• No individual "RV Park" space shall be occupied by the same individual, trailer, recreational vehicle, or movable sleeping quarter of any kind for a period exceeding (14) fourteen consecutive days within a one month period. This applies to owner/operator of the RV/camper/trailer, all occupants, and the RV/camper/trailer itself.

## POLICY ISSUES:

The entire project can be considered to be a policy issue. Staff and Commission recommendations are based on Boards established policies, as found in the County General Plan in particular, to maintain the agricultural viability of the project area. The Board should consider the potential conformance of this project with the priorities of maintaining a strong local economy and a strong agricultural economy/heritage.

## STAFFING IMPACT:

None.

## ATTACHMENTS:

- 1. Planning Commission Staff Report, July 17<sup>th</sup>, 2008
- 2. Planning Commission Minutes, July 17<sup>th</sup>, 2008

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GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT APPLICATION NO. 2007-03 AND REZONE Ε. APPLICATION NO. 2007-03 - THE FRUIT YARD - This is a request to amend the General Plan Designation from Agriculture to Planned Development and to rezone the property from A-2-40 (General Agriculture) to P-D (Planned Development). This would authorize a development plan for The Fruit Yard which would include a 9,000 square foot banquet facility, relocation of the existing gas station and convenience market, relocation of the existing "card lock" fueling facility, and construction of a 3,000 square foot retail shell building. Also included is a 322 space vehicle/RV storage, a 66 space travel trailer park for short term stays, and a 2.0 acre site for retail tractor sales. A new facility for fruit packing and warehousing is also included, although these uses are consistent with the current zoning of the property. Occasional outdoor special events, from fund raising activities to private parties, will be held on site. The 45± acre site is located at 7948 Yosemite Blvd, at the intersection of Geer Road and Yosemite Blvd (Hwy 132), in the Modesto / Waterford area. A CEQA Mitigated Negative Declaration will be considered on this project.

APN: 009-027-004

Staff Report: Joshua Mann Recommends FORWARD TO BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR APPROVAL OF DEVELOPMENT OF PHASE 1 ONLY.

Public hearing opened.

**OPPOSITION:** Tom Douglas, 548 Hopper Road

FAVOR: Dave Romano

Public hearing closed.

Poore/Layman, 4-2 (Navarro, Shores), **MODIFY THE DEVELOPMENT SCHEDULE AS PRESENTED BY THE APPLICANT WITH CLARIFICATION THAT MOVING USES BETWEEN PHASES REQUIRES PRIOR CONCURRENCE OF THE PLANNING DIRECTOR OR DESIGNEE, AND ADOPT THE PROPOSED REVISIONS TO CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL NOS. 2, 3, 29, 38, 39 AND 55 AS PRESENTED BY THE APPLICANT.** 

Layman/Poore, 4-2 (Navarro, Shores), RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT APPLICATION NO. 2007-03, REZONE APPLICATION NO. 2007-03, INCLUDING PHASES 1, 2, AND 3, AND ADOPT ALL OF THE STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS AND MAKE ALL OF THE FINDINGS SET FORTH IN THE STAFF REPORT AT PAGES 13 THROUGH 15, EXCEPT THAT PHASES 1, 2, AND 3 ARE RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL, SUBJECT TO THE MODIFICATIONS TO THE CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL AND DEVELOPMENT SCHEDULE AS PREVIOUSLY APPROVED.

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## STANISLAUS COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION

#### July 17, 2008

## STAFF REPORT

### GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT APPLICATION NO. 2007-03 REZONE APPLICATION NO. 2007-03 THE FRUIT YARD

REQUEST: TO AMEND THE GENERAL PLAN DESIGNATION FROM AGRICULTURE TO PLANNED DEVELOPMENT AND TO REZONE THE PROPERTY FROM A-2-40 (GENERAL AGRICULTURE) TO P-D (PLANNED DEVELOPMENT) ON A 45± ACRE SITE. THIS WOULD AUTHORIZE A DEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR THE FRUIT YARD WHICH WOULD INCLUDE A 9,000 SQUARE FOOT BANQUET FACILITY, RELOCATION OF THE EXISTING FUELING FACILITIES, CONSTRUCTION OF A 3,000 SQUARE FOOT RETAIL SHELL BUILDING, A 322 SPACE RV/BOAT STORAGE, A 66 SPACE TRAVEL TRAILER PARK, A NEW FACILITY FOR FRUIT PACKING, AND A 2.00 ACRE SITE FOR RETAIL TRACTOR SALES. OUTDOOR EVENTS AND ENTERTAINMENT ARE PROPOSED TO BE HELD ON THE PARK SITE.

#### **APPLICATION INFORMATION**

Applicant: Owners: Location:	Dave Romano, P.E., AICP The Fruit Yard Partnership - Joe Traina 7948 Yosemite Boulevard/Highway 132, east of the Community of Empire and west of the City of Waterford
Section, Township, Range:	34-3-10
Supervisorial District:	One (Supervisor O'Brien)
Assessor's Parcel:	009-027-004
Referrals:	See Exhibit "I"
	Environmental Review Referrals
Area of Parcel:	45.00± acres
Water Supply:	Private well
Sewage Disposal:	Septic
Existing Zoning:	A-2-40 (General Agriculture)
General Plan Designation:	Agriculture
Williamson Act:	Not applicable
Environmental Review:	Mitigated Negative Declaration
Present Land Use:	Small portion of site is developed as The Fruit Yard produce market, restaurant, and two gas stations
Surrounding Land Use:	Agriculture to the west, south, and east. To the north is an animal feed and supply store (P-D 268), a drilling company, fire station, and church

## **ATTACHMENT 2**

#### **PROJECT DESCRIPTION**

This is a request to authorize a development plan for The Fruit Yard to facilitate the development of a 9,000 square foot banquet facility, relocation of the existing gas station and a new convenience market, relocation of the existing "card lock" fueling facility, and construction of a 3,000 square foot retail shell building which includes a drive through establishment of unknown type. The applicant/property owner has also requested authorization for a 322 space boat/RV storage (both covered and uncovered spaces) and a 66 space travel trailer park for short term (overnight) stays and a 2.0 acre site for retail tractor (large agricultural equipment) sales. Finally, the request includes a new facility for fruit packing and warehousing, although these uses are consistent with the current zoning of the property which allows such uses with a Use Permit. All substantially modified or new uses will include on-site vehicle parking, landscaping, and other accessory uses. As part of the applicant's statement, occasional outdoor special events are held on site, near the 9 acre park area, including fund raising activities to private parties. The project will have its own well and septic system. Currently, thirty nine (39) acres of the 45 acre site are planted in a variety of stone fruit (cherries, peaches, apricots, and nectarines). Please see the attachments for a more detailed project description and phasing time-frame (see Exhibit "B").

#### SITE DESCRIPTION

The project is located on the southwest corner of Geer Road and Yosemite Boulevard/State Highway 132 (7948 Yosemite Boulevard), east of the Community of Empire and west of the City of Waterford. The project site is adjacent to an animal feed and supply business (zoned P-D 268, Planned Development) located on the northeast corner of the intersection, a drilling company (Masellis Drilling) on the northwest corner, a fire station and church are located to the north. Production Agricultural parcels are to the west, south, and east of the project site. The 45.00± acre parcel currently supports the existing Fruit Yard produce market, the Fruit Yard restaurant, and two separate Gas Fueling facilities, all of which currently have paved parking and landscaping. The remaining part of the property is currently planted as an orchard.

#### BACKGROUND

The Fruit Yard site development, by definition, is considered a legal non-conforming use which dates back many years ago when an Old Foamy Drive-In was located on the site. The exact year is unclear due to lack of county records that are available. Between the years 1976 & 1977, there appears to have been some sort of approval to install a fueling facility, a relocation of the Old Foamy restaurant to the location of the present day restaurant, and the construction of a fruit stand. Again, the records with specific information on these actions appear to be unclear and lacking. The first of many discretionary permits appear to start in 1977 with the application and approval of a Use Permit (ZUPA 77-71) to allow the fruit stand to sell fruit that is not grown or produced on-site. In 1978, a Use Permit (78-19) allowed The Fruit Yard site to add additional fueling pumps, a fruit drying yard, truck parking, and the ability to sell additional types of products at the fruit stand. Then, in 1980, a Use Permit (ZUPA 80-06) allowed the restaurant to expand by adding a banquet facility and lounge. This permit was granted a time extension in 1981 by the Planning Commission, but it was never constructed. In 1986, the approval to add the banquet facility and lounge was

again granted through a Use Permit (UP 86-16) which also included the consolidation of the fruit stand and fueling facility. The following are the remaining discretionary permit approvals that have been issued to The Fruit Yard:

Use Permit No. 88-36:	Approval to modernize and enlarge the fueling facility including a 48'x54' canopy, paved access, and one additional fueling pump.
Staff Approval Permit No. 88-10:	Approval to expand the restaurant building by adding an additional 1,054 of square feet.
Staff Approval Permit No. 92-43:	Approval to relocate the fruit stand/store sign and gas facility (pumps).
Staff Approval Permit No. 93-27:	Approval to install a "Gas Card" sign for the existing fueling island.
Staff Approval Permit No. 2000-28:	Approval for a minor expansion to the existing fruit

stand/store by 25% or less (based off the square footage).

The project site is already developed with a small park site which has been used in the past for both private and public events. The public events have been conducted in accordance with Stanislaus County Code Section 6.40 - Outdoor Entertainment Activities in Unincorporated Areas, which supersedes the current A-2 (General Agriculture) zoning regulations applicable to the site. Section 6.40 does not, however, authorize private events, such as weddings, which are not permitted uses in the A-2 zoning district. Up to six (6) public events within a calendar year may be held at any one given site in accordance with Section 6.40.

#### DISCUSSION

As stated above, the applicant has requested to relocate and expand the business on the majority of the remaining portion of the  $45.00\pm$  acre parcel. In total, the applicant has requested to develop/use approximately  $34.00\pm$  acres of the project site. The remaining  $11\pm$  acres of the parcel would remain in agricultural production and/or be used for overflow parking when special events occur. The plans call for a 9,000 square foot banquet building, the relocation of the fueling facilities, a 3,000 square foot retail building, a storage facility, a tractor sales site, a fruit packing facility, and a travel trailer park with 66 spaces. The project requires rezoning and an amendment to the County's General Plan to change the agricultural designation on the property. The project site is not within an adopted Sphere of Influence or within any Community Plan areas, nor is it restricted by a Williamson Act contract.

The applicant has submitted the proposed phasing for the project:

Phase 1. Construction of the Banquet Building/Facility, upgrades to park area, corresponding landscaping, and On-Site Parking to be completed 1 to 3 years from the date of approval.

Phase 2.	Mini-Storage with Boat & RV storage, RV Park, Tractor Sales Facility, and
	the Fruit Packing Facility to be completed 2 to 5 years from the date of
	approval.
Phase 3.	Gas Station Relocation, Card Lock (Gas Station) Relocation, and Retail
	Buildings to be completed 3 to 7 years from the date of approval.

As a part of Phase One, the park site area will be expanded to accommodate the special events that are a part of this application. The undeveloped portion of the property (approximately 11 acres) will remain vacant and be used as parking for special events or for agricultural production.

#### Special Events

The proposal includes a slight modification to the existing site to an area referred to as a park. The applicant currently holds a limited number of special events at the park site that are authorized under a license issued by the Sheriff's Department in accordance with Stanislaus County Code - Section 6.40 - Outdoor Entertainment Activities in the Unincorporated Area. As discussed earlier in the background section of this report, the existing park site has been used for both permitted and non-permitted events in the past. If this project is approved, the park site would be open to the general public during normal business hours and would host both public and private special events, without the need of obtaining a license from the Sheriff's Department in accordance with Section 6.40. These special events would include fund raising activities, private parties, weddings, and other outdoor events such as "Graffitti Weekend" or small scale concerts. Although the applicant would not be restricted on the number of events held at the location, many of the events are seasonal in nature and currently the applicant holds between 5-6 annual public events.

Although the applicant is proposing these special events to be included as a permitted use of the proposed planned development, the ability to host events with a license issued by the Sheriff's Department would still be available. The Sheriff's Department has the authority to condition licenses issued for outdoor entertainment, however, the license is not subject to compliance with the development standards/mitigation measures applied to a planned development. If this project is approved, the adopted development standards/mitigation measures will be forwarded to the Sheriff's Department in hope they will be incorporated as conditions of any future license request.

Noise impacts associated with on-site activities and special events have the potential to exceed the normally acceptable levels of noise. In fact, there have been complaints of noise from previous events held on-site. Many of the on-site events include the use of amplified music, which if operated in a respectful manner, could be under the threshold established by the General Plan. As part of this Planned Development approval, events that do not use amplified music or sound would be permitted outright. Because of the previous complaints associated with the events, amplified music and explosive devices, such as canons used during civil war re-enactments, a development standard has been added to address this concern. As required by Goal Two/Policy Two/Implementation Measure Two of the Noise Element of the County General Plan, noise generating land uses are required to show through an acoustical analysis that the noise level is/would be at or below the 60 dB Ldn (or CNEL) level when measured at the nearest sensitive noise receptor (see Exhibit C, No. 8). A mitigation measure addressing noise has also been incorporated as a development standard and discussed in the environmental review section of this report.

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#### **FINDINGS**

#### **General Plan Amendment**

With environmental impacts mitigated to a level of insignificance, the keys to approval or denial of the General Plan Amendment and Rezone requests are land use matters. 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 order to approve a General Plan Amendment, three findings must be made:

- 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 government agencies will be able to maintain levels of service consistent with the ability of the government agencies to provide a reasonable level of service.
- 3. The amendment is consistent with the General Plan goals and policies.

Any impacts to County services will be mitigated through the payment of impact mitigation fees and compliance with development standards.

To evaluate a General Plan Amendment, the goals and policies of the General Plan must be reviewed. In addition, County policy, adopted by the Board of Supervisors, sets forth additional findings, listed above, necessary for approval of a request to amend the General Plan. The goals and policies of the General Plan listed below are focused on those goals and policies which staff believes are most relevant to making the findings necessary for determining the subject project's consistency with the overall General Plan. Goals and policies which can be found consistent with the proposed project with incorporation of development standards/mitigation measures have not been included in the list below. A copy of the General Plan may be obtained by contacting the Planning Department directly or on-line at <a href="http://www.stancounty.com/planning/index.shtm">http://www.stancounty.com/planning/index.shtm</a>. Exhibit H consists of the applicant's findings statement and a General Plan evaluation. Due to the length of the evaluation, hard copies have only been provided to the Planning Commission and copies for the general public are available by contacting the Planning Department directly or on-line.

The following are the relevant goals and policies of the General Plan that apply to this project:

#### Land Use Element

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 environmental, economic and social concerns of the residents of Stanislaus County.

- <u>Policy 3</u> Land use designations shall be consistent with the criteria established in this element.
- <u>Policy 10</u> New areas of urban development (as opposed to expansion of existing areas) shall be limited to less productive agricultural areas.

Implementation Measure No. 1 - Requests for designation of new urban areas shall be reviewed by the County to determine whether the land is located in a less productive agricultural area based on considerations identified in the Agricultural Element. (See Agricultural Element goals/policies/implementation measures listed below.)

Implementation Measure No. 3 - Proposed amendments to the General Plan map that would allow the conversion of agricultural land to non-agricultural uses shall be approved only if they are consistent with the conversion criteria stated in the Agricultural Element. (See Agricultural Element goals/policies/implementation measures listed below.)

Goal Two - Ensure compatibility between land uses.

- <u>Policy 14</u> Uses shall not be permitted to intrude into an agricultural area if they are detrimental to continued agricultural usage of the surrounding area.
- Goal Three Foster stable economic growth through appropriate land use policies.
  - <u>Policy 16</u> Agriculture, as the primary industry of the County, shall be promoted and protected.
  - Policy 18 Accommodate the siting of industries with unique requirements.
  - <u>Policy 19</u> Nonconforming uses are an integral part of the County's economy and, as such, should be allowed to continue.

Implementation Measure No. 1 - Maintain current Zoning Ordinance provisions which permit replacement or expansion of nonconforming uses.

#### Conservation Element

Goal Three - Provide for the long-term conservation and use of agricultural lands.

<u>Policy 11</u>- In areas designated "Agriculture" on the Land Use Element, discourage land uses which are incompatible with agriculture.

#### Agricultural Element (Adopted April, 1992)

(Because this project was received and deemed complete prior to the Board of Supervisors adopting the Agricultural Element Update of the General Plan in December of 2007, this project is required to be in conformance with the previously adopted Agricultural Element. Differences between the 1992 and 2007 version are noted)

Goal Two - Conserve our agricultural lands for agricultural uses.

<u>Policy 2.4</u> - To the greatest extent possible, development shall be directed away from the County's most productive agricultural areas. (*Policy 2.4 of the 1992 Agricultural Element is reflected as Policy 2.5 of the* 2007 Agricultural Element Update.)

Implementation "A" - Until the term "Most Productive Agricultural Areas" is defined on a countywide basis, the term will be determined on a case-by-case basis when a proposal is made for the conversion of agricultural land. Factors to be considered include but are not limited to soil types and potential for agricultural production; the availability of irrigation water; ownership and parcelization patterns; uniqueness and flexibility of use; the existence of Williamson Act contracts; existing uses and their contributions to the agricultural sector of the local economy. As an example, some grazing lands, dairy regions and poultry-producing areas as well as farmlands can be considered "Most Productive Agricultural Areas." Failure to farm specific parcels will not eliminate them from being considered "Most Productive Agricultural Areas." Areas considered to be "Most Productive Agricultural Areas" will not include any land within LAFCO-approved Spheres of Influence of cities or community services districts and sanitary districts serving unincorporated communities. Agricultural lands outside these boundaries and not considered to be "Most Productive Agricultural Areas" will be considered "Less Productive Agricultural Areas." (Implementation "A" of the 1992 Agricultural Element is reflected as Implementation Measure No. 1 of Policy 2.5 of the 2007 Agricultural Element Update. The 2007 update eliminated the last sentence of the above factors to be considered in defining "Most Productive Agricultural Areas".)

- <u>Policy 2.5</u> New areas for urban development (as opposed to expansion of existing areas) shall be limited to less productive agricultural areas.
- <u>Policy 2.7</u> Proposed amendments to the General Plan Diagram (map) that would allow the conversion of agricultural land to non-agricultural uses shall be approved only if they are consistent with the County's conversion criteria.

<u>Implementation "D"</u> - Current procedures for processing General Plan amendments will be changed to include the following requirements for evaluating proposed amendments to the General Plan Diagram (map) that would allow the conversion of agricultural land to urban uses:

**Conversion Consequences:** The direct and indirect effects, as well as the cumulative effects, of the proposed conversion of agricultural land shall be fully evaluated.

**Conversion Considerations:** In evaluating the consequences of a proposed amendment, the following factors shall be considered: Plan designation; soil type; adjacent uses; proposed method of sewage treatment; availability of water, transportation, public utilities, fire and police protection, and other public services;

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proximity to existing airports and airstrips; impacts on air and water quality, wildlife habitat, endangered species and sensitive lands; and any other factors that may aid the evaluation process.

**Conversion Criteria**: Proposed amendments to the General Plan Diagram (map) that would allow the conversion of agricultural land to urban uses shall be approved only if the Board of Supervisors makes the following findings:

- A. Overall, the proposal is consistent with the goals and policies of the General Plan, and specifically is consistent with Policies 2.4 and 2.5 of this Agricultural Element.
- B. There is evidence on the record to show a demonstrated need for the proposed project based on population projections, past growth rates, and other pertinent data.
- C. No feasible alternative site exists in areas already designated or planned for the proposed uses.
- D. Approval of the proposal will not constitute part of, or encourage, piecemeal conversion of a larger agricultural area to non-agricultural uses, and will not be growth-inducing (as used in the California Environmental Quality Act).
- E. The proposed project is designed to minimize conflict and will not interfere with agricultural operations on surrounding agricultural lands or adversely affect agricultural water supplies.
- F. Adequate and necessary public services and facilities are available or will be made available as a result of the development.
- G. The design of the proposed project has incorporated all reasonable measures, as determined during the CEQA review process, to mitigate impacts to fish and wildlife resources, air quality, water quality and quantity, or other natural resources.

(Implementation Measure "D" of the 1992 Agricultural Element is reflected as Implementation Measure No. 1 of Policy 2.7 of the 2007 Agricultural Element Update. The 2007 updated eliminated reference to policies 2.4 and 2.5 in Conversion Criteria "A".)

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Based on the above goals and policies of the General Plan, the following is a summary and analysis of the proposed project and it's consistency to those goals and policies.

The Planned Development designation (PD) is intended for land that, because of demonstrably unique characteristics, may be suitable for a variety of uses without detrimental effects to surrounding properties. Staff believes that the proposed Planned Development for the Fruit Yard has some issues which must be addressed before all proposed phases can be approved. The

current uses on-site are considered legal non-conforming uses. Although these current uses are not entirely consistent with the current A-2 zoning district, the uses have been in business at this location for many years and have shown that they can be compatible and consistent with the surrounding land uses in the area.

However, this proposed Planned Development is much larger than what Staff believes would be compatible with the surrounding area. As discussed earlier, the properties to the north are somewhat of a commercial nature, including a feed and ranch supply business (Crossroads Feed and Ranch), a drilling business (Masellis Drilling), church (Old German Baptist Brethren Church), and a Stanislaus Consolidated Fire Station. The property to the south, west, and east is zoned Agricultural. The following is a brief history and/or zoning ordinance consistency discussion regarding the uses north of the project site:

- Crossroads Feed and Ranch This business was authorized in 1985 in accordance with Planned Development 116, which allowed for various agricultural related businesses to be established on the former site of an agricultural chemical supply business. The PD 116 approved the following uses on the site: agriculture management companies, irrigation company, chemical company, maintenance shop to repair and service farm equipment, warehouse storage, light farm equipment manufacturing, and the continued use of a public scale. In 2001, the PD 116 was amended to a new PD (PD 268) to allow for the expansion of the existing feed and ranch supply business on the 9.97 acre parcel located on the northeast corner of Geer Road/Hwy 132 (Yosemite Blvd.). PD 268 authorized expansion of the new business by allowing construction of a new main office/sales building, hay barns, and storage buildings. The expansion never occurred and PD 268 has expired.
- Masellis Drilling This business provides well drilling services and is considered a legally established use on the 4.04 acres located on the northwest corner of the Geer Road/Hwy132 (Yosemite Blvd.) intersection. The property is zoned A-2-40 (General Agriculture). The drilling business is considered a legal nonconforming use.
- Old German Baptist Brethren This church is located on a 3.38 acre parcel and is located in the A-2-40 (General Agriculture) zoning district. Churches may be permitted in the A-2 zoning district with approval of a Use Permit.
- Stanislaus Consolidated Fire Station This station is located on a 1.06 acre parcel and is located in the A-2-40 (General Agriculture) zoning district. Fire stations may be permitted in the A-2 zoning district with approval of a Use Permit.

If all phases of this proposed project are approved, staff is concerned a precedence will be set for allowing general plan amendments and rezones on neighboring agricultural properties for the development of commercial uses. Unlike phase one of the proposed project, phases two and three have no real relationship to the existing on-site legal nonconforming uses or agriculture in general. The existing commercial uses in the area, including the project site, either established as nonconforming uses, are permitted by use permit in the A-2 zoning district, or were approved as an agriculturally related business. While the County General Plan recognizes the value of nonconforming uses by promoting the continuance, expansion, and replacement of uses, Zoning Ordinance provisions restrict the approval of new uses exceeding the number of existing legal nonconforming uses.

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Staff believes that the Phase One portion of this project is a logical extension of the already established legal nonconforming uses. The banquet facility is a natural extension of the restaurants existing food service and private banquet facilities. The park area allows for an outdoor banquet facility and more efficient operation of public events already allowed by separate Outdoor Entertainment License issued by the Sheriff's Department. While the Outdoor Entertainment License is not subject to the development standards/mitigation measures of this proposed PD, the improvements required as part of this PD will enhance the traffic circulation associated with the public events.

The special events to be held in the park area proposed as part of Phase One, require a unique location that provides both a tranquil setting and a large parcel size to help reduce the impacts to the neighboring parcels. Typically, such a site requirement would not be able to be found in an urbanized area. In this case, the proposed park area's central location within a large parcel provides for a buffer from surrounding agricultural uses and neighboring residential uses. The project's site location, adjacent to two Expressways (Hwy 132 (Yosemite Blvd) and Geer Road) helps to lessen the traffic impacts on neighboring residential uses, since the residential uses are already impacted. The buffered location of the park area and the existing noise generated by the roadways in the area also help to lessen the noise impacts on neighboring residential uses. Development standards/mitigation measures addressing both traffic and noise have been incorporated into this project.

Because this application was received and deemed complete prior to the Board of Supervisors adopting the Agricultural Element Update of the General Plan in December of 2007, this project is required to be in conformance with the previously adopted Agricultural Element. With the exception of Buffer and Setback Guidelines adopted as part of the 2007 Agricultural Element Update, the policies and goals of the Agricultural Element relating to this project remain relatively the same. Although not required, the applicant has designed the proposed development with some buffering. The site itself is buffered by the MID Lateral on the southern property line and the approval for just Phase One of the proposal would, once developed, provide buffers that closely resemble the requirements set forth in the newly adopted Ag Element. This buffered area would also include the land that is marked on the site plan as being "for agricultural use". If all three Phases were to be allowed, these buffers would be drastically reduced as the development during these Phases (Two & Three) would expand towards the western and southern property lines (see color site plan - Exhibit "A-5") thus reducing the "buffer" area. The current buffer requirements contained in the Agricultural Element, although not required with this application, may be required should the Fruit Yard choose to expand in the future.

By the definition provided in the Agricultural Element, the project site is located in a 'most productive agricultural area', however, the site itself has been commercially developed and is in proximity to other commercial developments. The project site is not enrolled under a Williamson Act contract and is not adjoining any parcels enrolled under the Williamson Act. The Fruit Yard's "commercial" uses have existed on this site for many years and, to the best of staff's knowledge, agricultural conflicts have been non-existent to date. Phase One removes a total of 11.03 acres from agricultural production (2.32 acres for the banquet facility and 8.71 acres for the park site), but keeps the relatively compact design with an on-site buffer provided west and south. The existing developed park site consists of roughly 3.3 acres. If Phases Two and Three were to be approved, the applicant would have to remove a total of 14.32 acres currently in production agriculture (orchards) and an on-site buffer would be greatly diminished.

With respect to meeting the required conversion criteria outlined above, staff is concerned the project as a whole, specifically phases two and three, may not meet the necessary criteria for conversion of an agricultural land to urban uses. The project site is located at a crossroads connecting the cities of Modesto, Waterford, Oakdale, and Hughson. It is likely that an alternative site already designated or planned for Boat & RV storage, RV Parking, tractor sales, gas stations, and retail uses can be found within one of these incorporated communities. As discussed above, the uses proposed in Phase One are natural extensions of the existing on-site uses. The introduction of new commercial uses may set a precedence for encouraging piecemeal conversion of a larger agricultural area to non-agricultural uses.

In summary, the proposed Phase One associated with this General Plan Amendment is consistent with the goals and policies of the County General Plan. Staff believes all these findings can be met for Phase One only, of the three phase proposal. During Phase One, the applicant is proposing to add a banquet facility component to their existing restaurant business and permit special events to occur at their park site. It does not add any residential or new commercial uses in an agricultural area.

In evaluating Phases Two and Three, Goal Two, Policy 14 which states, "Uses shall not be permitted to intrude into or be located adjacent to an agricultural area if they are detrimental to continued agricultural usage of the surrounding area," must be given serious consideration. By allowing Phase Two and Three, it is effectively establishing new uses, which may conflict with the surrounding agricultural community. The uses in these Phases (2 & 3) are located near the property lines, which would reduce the buffer and heighten the possibility of conflicts on adjoining agricultural operations. County policy has been very consistent in discouraging "new" commercial type uses in the middle of the Agricultural zone, such as those proposed in Phases Two and Three, which would seem to be at odds with that policy.

This general plan amendment is a policy decision to be approved by the Board of Supervisors. If this property's general plan designation is to be changed and ultimately rezoned, the Board needs to determine that this project will be a logical land use pattern that would not be detrimental to existing and planned land uses.

Staff is recommending approval of this project be limited to development of Phase One only. The draft Development Standards provided for this project are written to apply to all proposed phases of the project unless specifically noted (see Exhibit "C"). If all phases of the project are approved, a Use Permit will be required for Tractor Sales and the Packing Facility due to the lack of a site plan at this stage of project consideration. If the Planning Commission recommends approval for Phase One only, the Development Standards specify elimination of all interior roads except those identified as "A" Drive, "B" Drive, "C" Circle, and "D" Drive. The remaining interior roads and driveways are deemed to be unnecessary and the project proposal for Phase One would still be able to meet all requirements to function properly.

#### <u>Rezone</u>

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

#### ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

Pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), the proposed project was circulated to all interested parties and responsible agencies for review and comment (see Exhibit "I"). Based on the comments received and the Initial Study discussion, a Mitigated Negative Declaration is being recommended for adoption (see Exhibits "E" and "F"). Staff conducted this environmental assessment for the project as a whole (all 3 Phases) and the mitigation measures have been incorporated for the entire proposal. Development Standards have been added to this project (see Exhibit "C"). Because no exemption has been provided by California Department of Fish and Game, this project is not exempt from payment of Fish and Game Fees.

General Plan Amendments currently are required to be referred to the local Native American tribes. The Native American tribes have 90 days to ask local governments if they want to "consult" on these applications. This General Plan application was referred to the local tribes, none of which requested a consultation.

The initial study and mitigation monitoring plan circulated for the subject project identified the following mitigation measure addressing noise:

 In accordance with the Noise Element of the County General Plan, noise levels associated with outdoor and indoor events shall not exceed the established threshold of 75 dB Ldn (or CNEL).

Staff is proposing the original mitigation measure be substituted with the following language which is reflected as proposed Development Standard No. 71:

71. In accordance with the Noise Element of the Stanislaus County General Plan, noise levels associated with all on-site activities shall not exceed the maximum allowable noise levels as allowed by the Noise Element. The property owner shall be responsible for verifying compliance and for any costs associated with verification.

The substitution is needed in order to correct an error with the number cited as the established threshold in the original mitigation measure. The Noise Element requires new industrial, commercial or other noise generating land uses not exceed 60 Ldn (or CNEL) in noise sensitive areas. The 75dB cited in the original mitigation measure reflects the maximum threshold for normally acceptable exterior noise levels for industrial, manufacturing, utilities, and agricultural land uses. In order to substitute the original mitigation measure, the new mitigation measure must be found to be equivalent or more effective in mitigating or avoiding potential significant effects and that it in itself will not cause any potentially significant effect on the environment. Staff believes the proposed substitution is more effective in addressing potential noise impacts associated with the proposed project.

#### **Traffic Study**

This project was referred to the Stanislaus County Public Works Department and the California Department of Transportation (CalTrans) as part of an early consultation review. In an initial response, the Department of Public Works requested that a Traffic Impact Analysis be completed to identify any possible impacts caused by this project.

The applicant hired KD Anderson & Associates to complete this task (see Exhibit "G"). The existing traffic level of the Yosemite Blvd (Hwy 132)/Geer Road intersection currently operates at LOS C or better. Signalization of this intersection was completed by CalTrans in August of 2007. With signalization and the proposed project in place, the intersection would continue to operate at LOS C, which is acceptable under Caltrans and Stanislaus County. The analysis looked at the road impacts to Geer Road and Yosemite Blvd (Hwy 132) for each of the three phases of construction. Phases 1-3 showed both of these roads will continue to operate at or below the acceptable LOS with the proposed mitigation measures in place.

After reviewing the Traffic Analysis, the Department of Public Works determined that their Development Standards would adequately address any traffic related impacts associated with this project. Therefore, the mitigation measures that are listed in the KD Anderson Traffic Study, in relation to the road widening, have not been added. The Department of Public Works believes that the Development Standards they have proposed, will enable both Geer Road and Yosemite Blvd to be below the LOS threshold established in the Circulation Element of the Stanislaus County General Plan. Several mitigation measures have been placed as Development Standards to insure that all impacts, related to the LOS thresholds/road widening, have been properly addressed.

This project is located on State Highway 132 (Yosemite Blvd) and as such, CalTrans is responsible for issuance of encroachment permits for any access/driveways located along Hwy 132. The comments provided by CalTrans deal with issues that will be addressed at the time of construction and have been incorporated as part of the Development Standards.

#### RECOMMENDATION

Based on all evidence on the record, and on the ongoing discussion, staff recommends that the Planning Commission recommend that the Board of Supervisors approve General Plan Amendment Application No. 2007-03 and Rezone Application No. 2007-03 - The Fruit Yard, allowing only for development of Phase One, subject to the following actions:

- 1. Adopt the Mitigated Negative Declaration pursuant to California Code of Regulations Section 15074(b), by finding that on the basis of the whole record, including the Initial Study and any comments received, that there is no substantial evidence the project will have a significant effect on the environment and that the Mitigated Negative Declaration reflects Stanislaus County's independent judgement and analysis.
- 2. Find That:
  - A. The substitute language for Mitigation Measure No. 3 identified as Development Standard No. 71 is equivalent or more effective in mitigating or avoiding potential significant effects and that it in itself will not cause any potentially significant effect on the environment
- 3. Adopt the Mitigation Monitoring Plan, with the substitute language for Mitigation Measure No. 3, pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15074(d).

- Order the filing of a Notice of Determination with the Stanislaus County Clerk-Recorder's Office pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21152 and CEQA Guidelines Section 15075.
- 5. Find That:
  - A. The General Plan amendment will maintain a logical land use pattern without detriment to existing and planned land uses,
  - B. 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,
  - C. The amendment is consistent with the General Plan goals and policies,
  - D. Overall, the proposal is consistent with the goals and policies of the General Plan,
  - E. There is evidence on the record to show a demonstrated need for the proposed project based on population projections, past growth rates, and other pertinent data,
  - F. No feasible alternative site exists in areas already designated or planned for the proposed uses,
  - G. Approval of the proposal will not constitute part of, or encourage piecemeal conversion of a larger agricultural area to non-agricultural uses, and will not be growth-inducing (as used in the California Environmental Quality Act),
  - H. The proposed project is designed to minimize conflict and will not interfere with agricultural operations on surrounding agricultural lands or adversely affect agricultural water supplies,
  - I. Adequate and necessary public services and facilities are available or will be made available as a result of the development,
  - J. The design of the proposed project has incorporated all reasonable measures, as determined during the CEQA review process, to mitigate impacts to fish and wildlife resources, air quality, water quality and quantity, or other natural resources,
  - K. The proposed Planned Development zoning is consistent with the proposed Planned Development General Plan designation,
  - L. The project will increase activities in and around the project area, and increase demands for roads and services, thereby requiring dedication and improvements, and
  - M. Development Standard No. 71 is more effective than the noise mitigation measure circulated with the initial study and mitigation monitoring plan.

- 6. Approve General Plan Amendment No. 2007-03.
- 7. Find that the proposed Planned Development zoning is consistent with the Planned Development General Plan designation.
- 8. Approve Rezone Application No. 2007-03, subject to the attached Development Standards and Development Schedule.

**Note:** Pursuant to California Fish and Game Code Section 711.4, all project applicants subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) shall pay a filing fee for each project. Therefore, the applicant will further be required to pay \$1,933.75 to the Department of Fish and Game. The attached Development Standards ensure that this will occur.

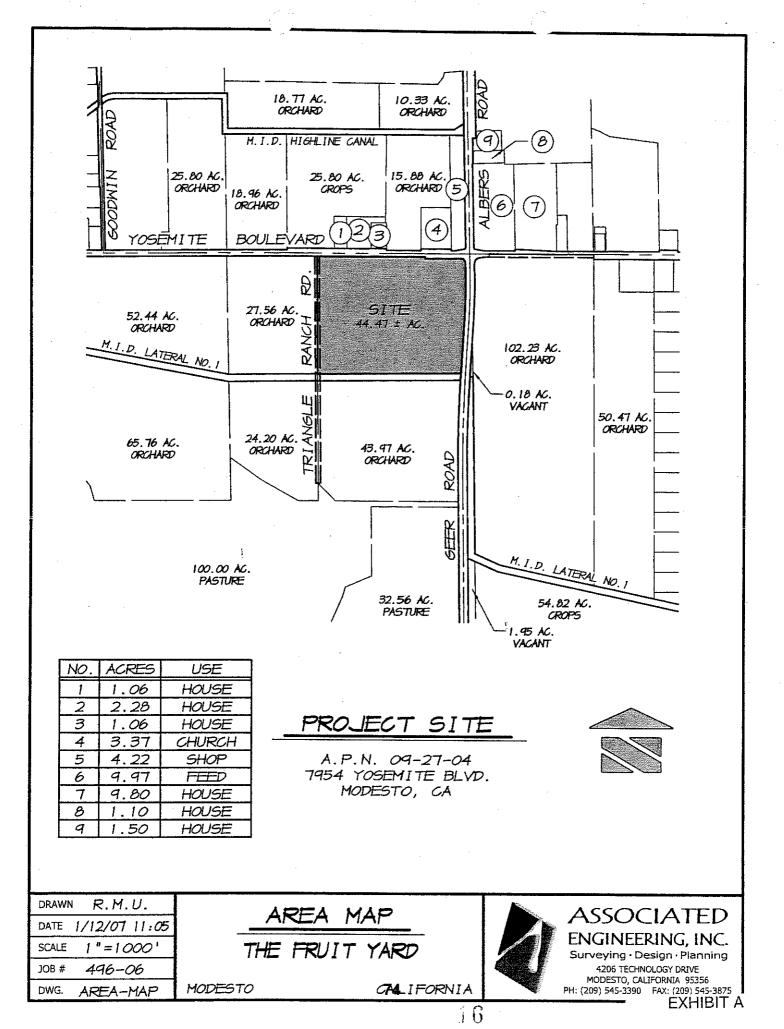
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Attachments:	Exhibit A - Exhibit B - Exhibit C - Exhibit D - Exhibit E - Exhibit F - Exhibit G -	Maps, Site Plans and Conceptual Landscape Plans Applicant's Project Description & Application Development Standards Development Schedule Initial Study and Mitigation Monitoring Plan Mitigated Negative Declaration KD Anderson & Associates, Inc. Traffic Study, dated December 6, 2007
	Exhibit H*-	Applicant's Findings Statement & General Plan Evaluation as submitted by the applicant
	Exhibit I -	Environmental Review Referrals

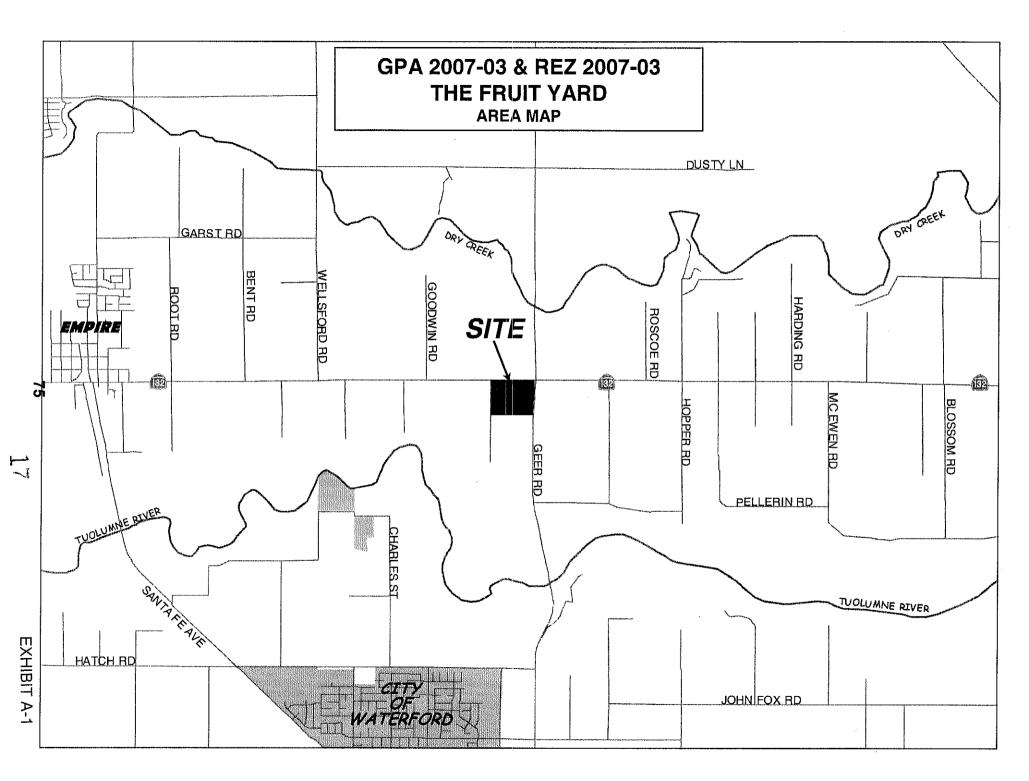
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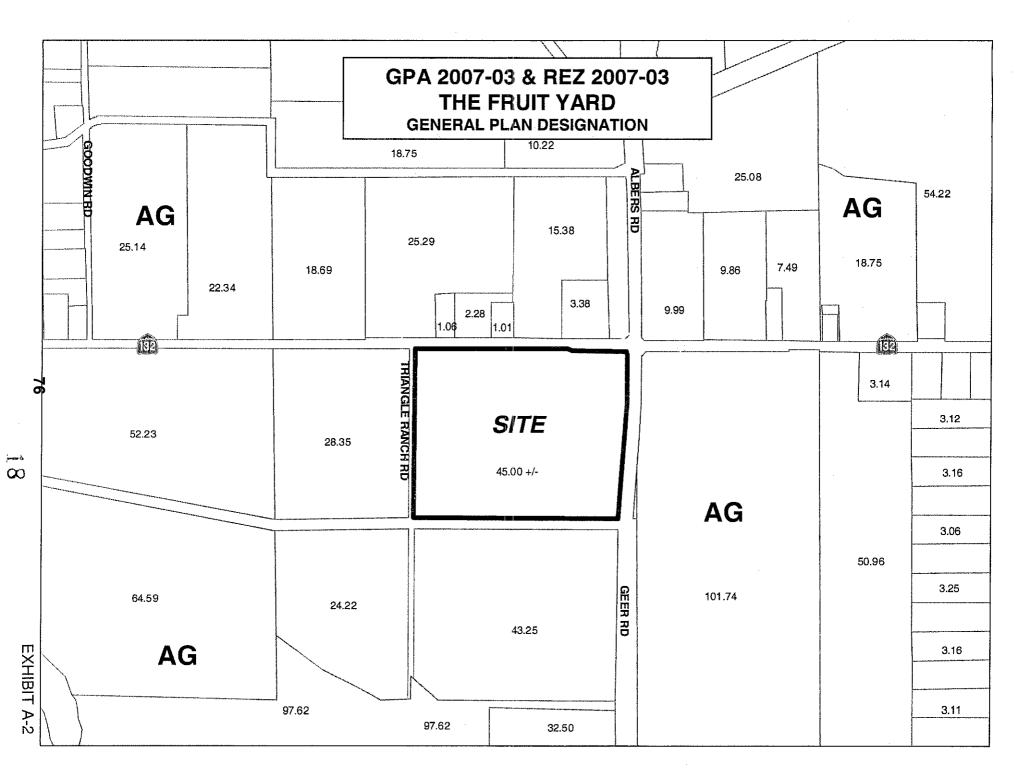
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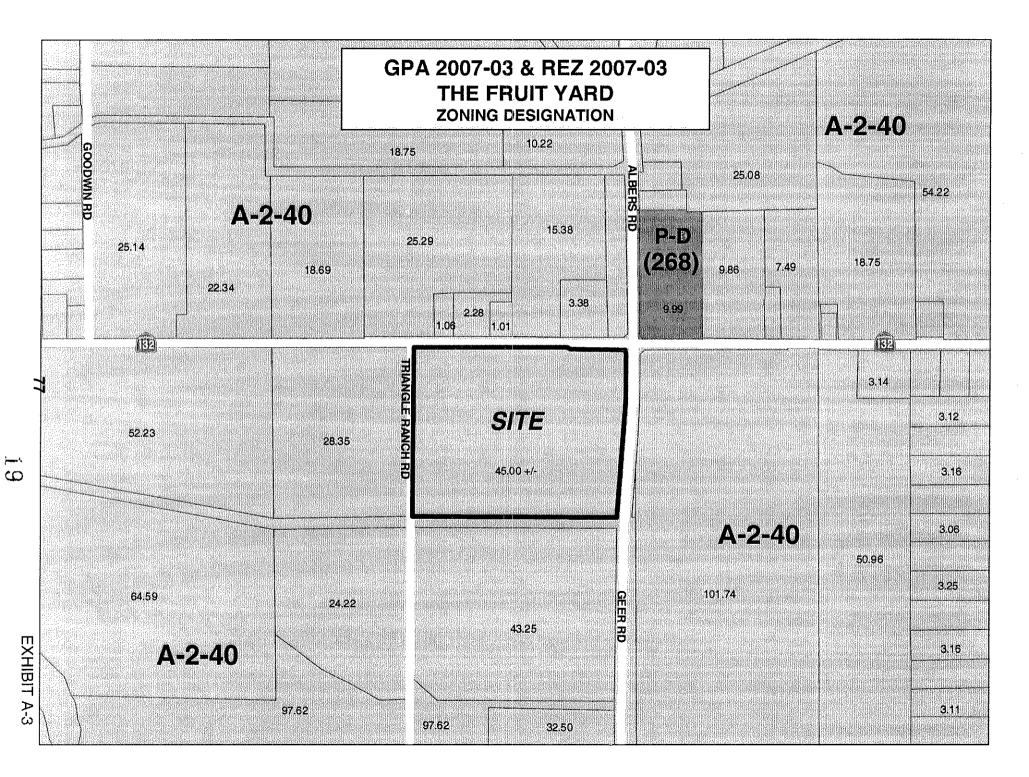
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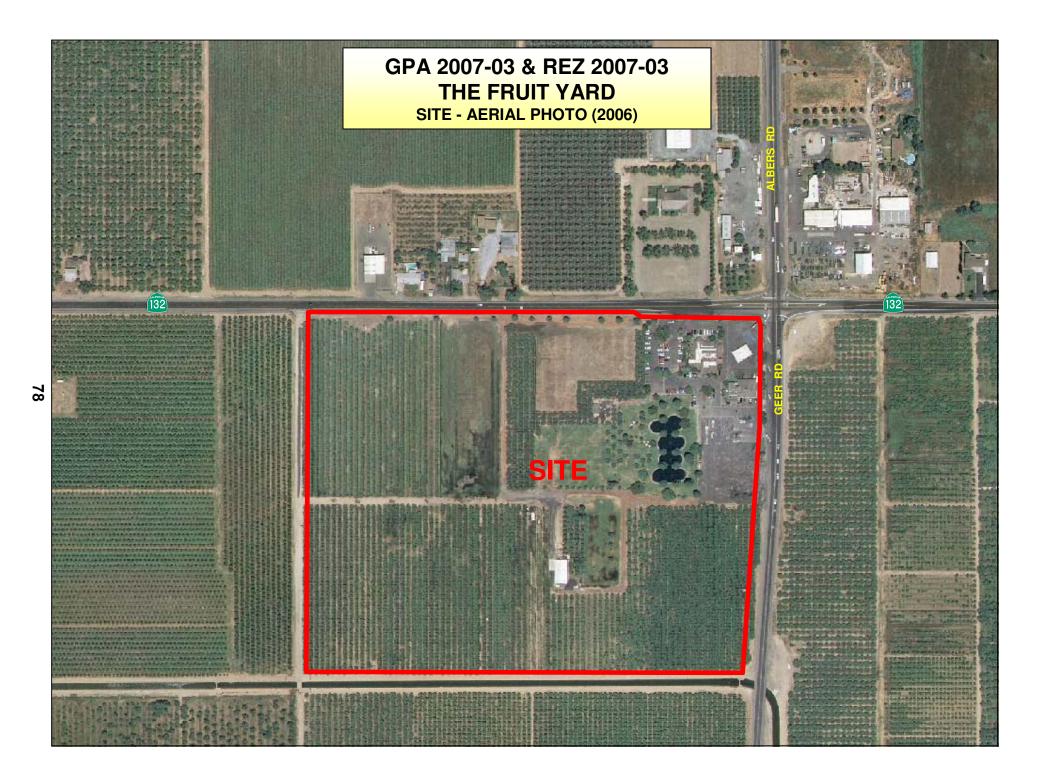
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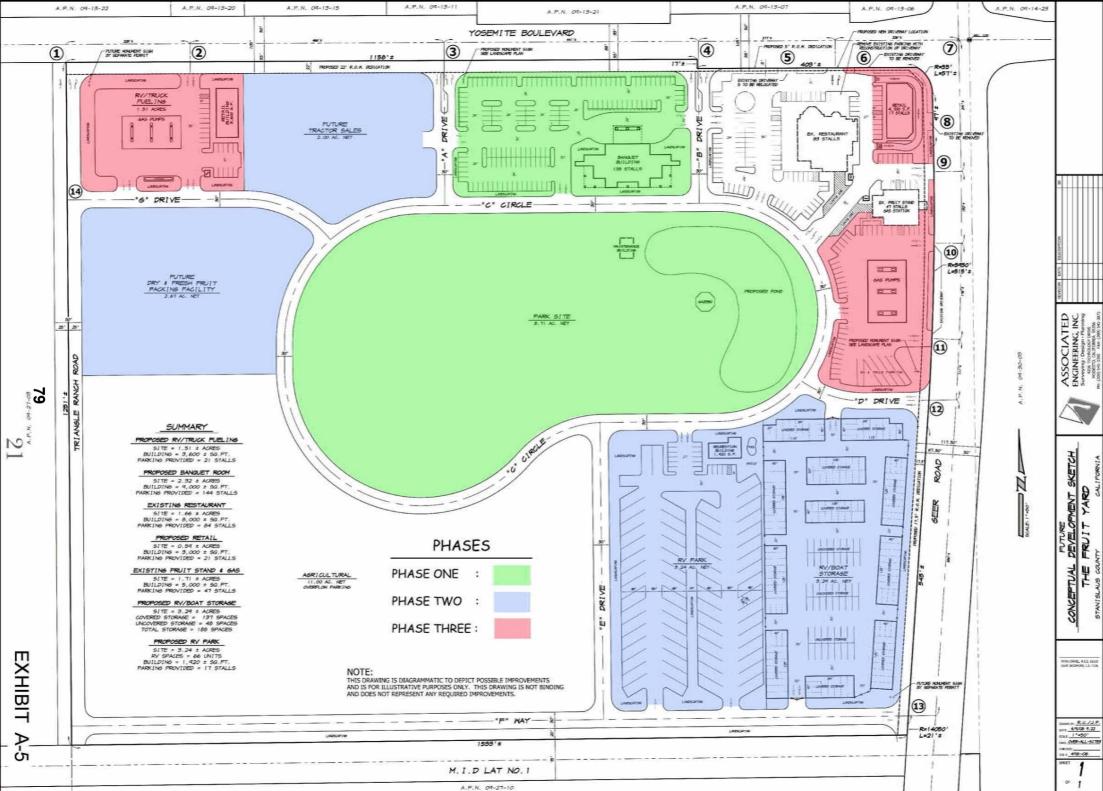












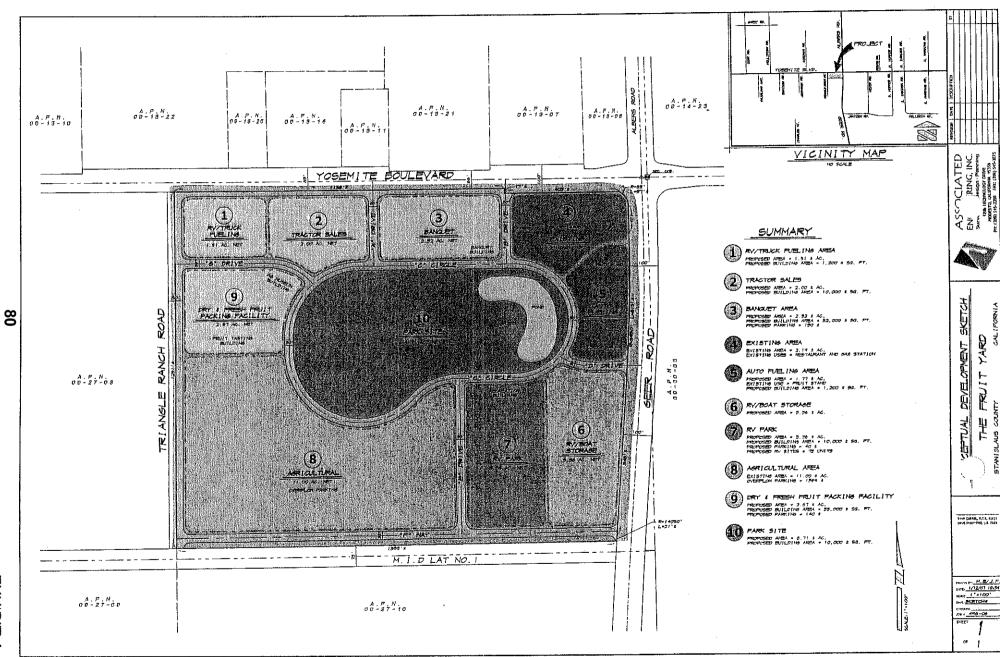
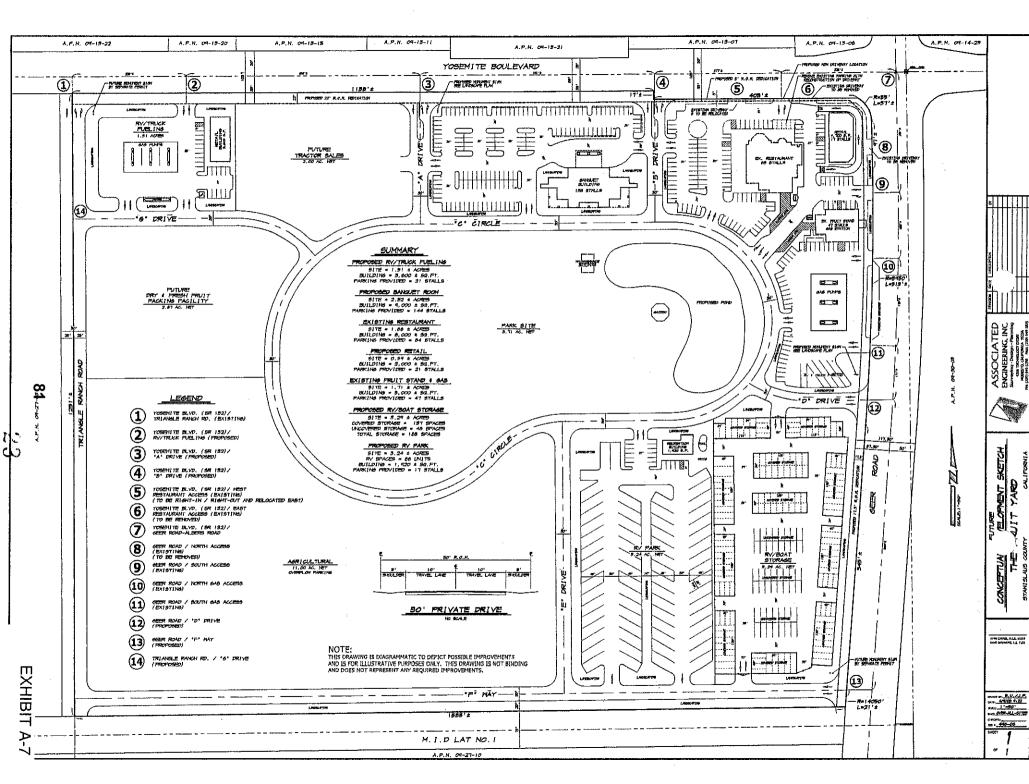
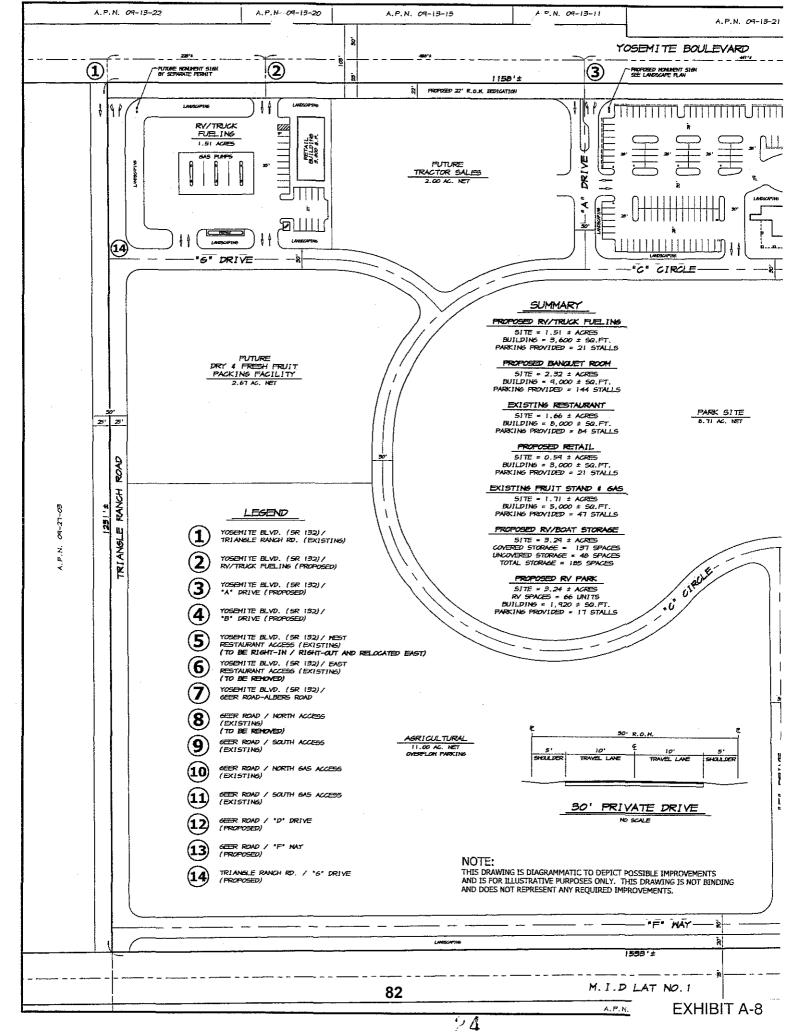
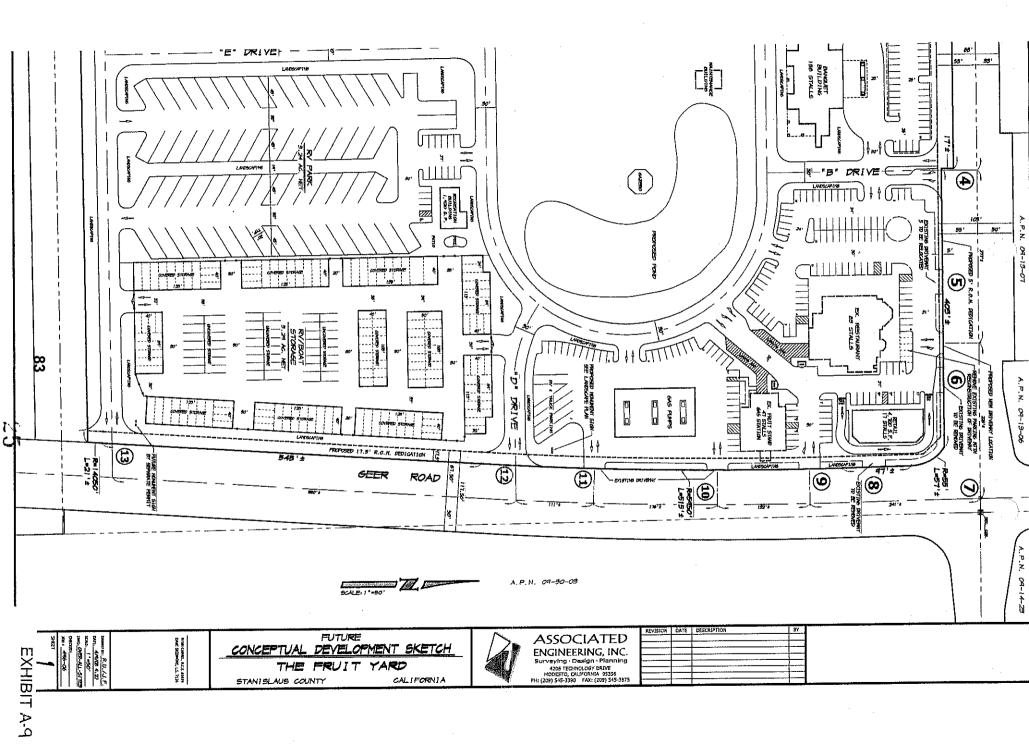


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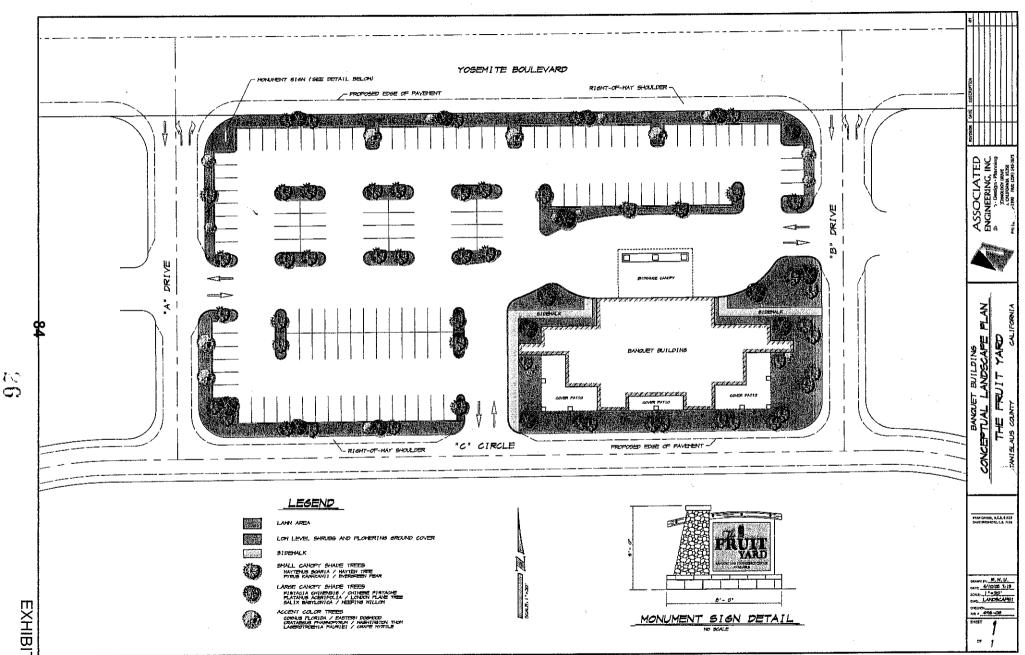
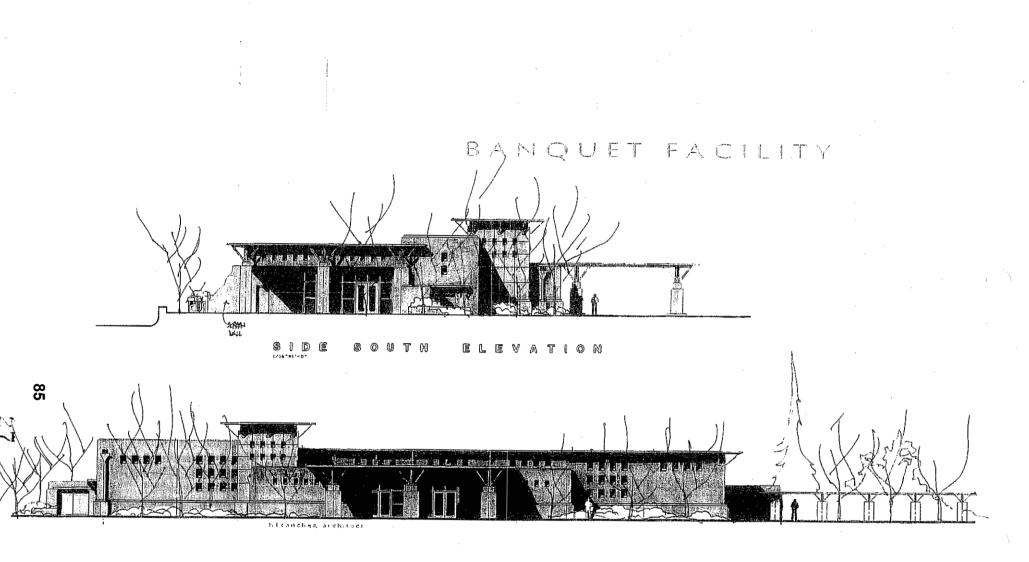
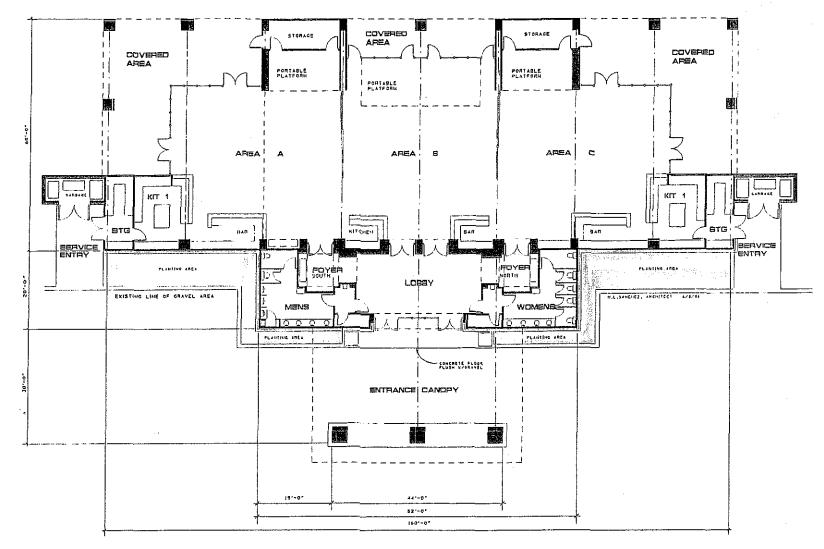


EXHIBIT A-10



FRONT ELEVATION

# BANQUET ROOM PLAN



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### **Fruit Yard Project Description**

The Fruit Yard facility exists at the southwest corner of Geer Road and Yosemite Blvd. (State Hwy. 132). It started as an Old Foamy Drive-In in the late 1950s, and has expanded through the years. The Trainas, the current owner, purchased the property in 1977. The current site contains the Fruit Yard Restaurant, a service station with six (6) pumps, a produce market, and a cardlock facility with six (6) pumps. The site has ancillary parking and a lake and park used by Fruit Yard customers with the lake providing the storm drainage for the site. The current development covers approximately six (6) acres, with the remaining approximately thirty-nine (39) acres of the property in open land and fruit trees including apricots, peaches, nectarines and cherries. The site hosts large public gatherings three or four times a year, including the Passport to Paradise event for the American Cancer Society, a Graffiti Night event, and a musical event or two. These events have occurred over the last fourteen (14) plus years, and are run with public assembly permits from the Stanislaus County Sheriff's Department.

The existing Fruit Yard Restaurant provides banqueting facilities and meeting rooms for a number of different clubs and groups. Over the years, requests have been made for weddings at the site, and the Fruit Yard has hosted these as well. Weddings are not currently identified as permissible under the current permits for the site.

As part of the process of adding weddings as a permissible use at the site, it was determined that an overall master plan should be prepared for the Fruit Yard facility. Simultaneously, conversations were underway with Caltrans and Stanislaus County for a right-of-way purchase for the State Highway 132/Geer Road intersection project. These discussions necessitated locating driveways and the best location for existing and future facilities. Based upon the near-term, mid-term, and long-term goals for the Fruit Yard, and its expected growth, the attached master plan has been prepared.

With this application it is intended that the entire Fruit Yard site be amended from a general plan designation of Agriculture to Planned Development, and that a Planned Development zone be placed over the entire forty-five (45) acre property. The development plan for the property includes the existing facilities as well as (i) additional banqueting facilities to be constructed west of the existing Fruit Yard Restaurant, (ii) the movement of the existing service station from north of the produce market to south of the produce market, (iii) relocation of the cardlock facility, and (iv) some additional retail space at the site of the existing service station.

In addition, since the Fruit Yard is located at such a busy intersection, it provides service to recreational travelers, and so the project also proposes to add a small storage facility for the storage of boats, motor homes, recreational vehicles and equipment as well as a small overnight trailer park facility to allow people to camp at the site over weekend, and to use adjacent facilities such as Fox Grove, Modesto Reservoir, Turlock Lake and other recreational amenities in the area. Finally, in the master planning of the site, Traina Dried Fruit is looking at locating some fruit packing and warehousing facilities at the site which are typical agricultural uses and would be permitted with a Use Permit, even without this application. Lastly, a tractor sales facility is also being considered as a future use at the site. The attached Master Development Plan provides square footages for the proposed uses. As shown on the attached development plans, Phase 1 of the project would allow the construction of the banqueting facilities, and bring the site to approximately 8.3 acres of developed area, with about 36.4 acres remaining undeveloped or in agricultural uses. With Phase 2, the overnight trailer park and RV and boat storage would be constructed, and the park expanded, so that the developed area would be expanded to approximately 18.4 acres, and the remainder of the approximately 26.3 acres would remain in undeveloped or agricultural use. Finally, with Phase 3, the cardlock facility and service station would be relocated, and retail added at the old service station site. Phase 3 would complete the project and result in approximately twenty-nine (29) developed acres, with about sixteen (16) acres remaining in agriculture or agriculture related uses. At full development, approximately nine (9) acres of the developed twenty-nine (29) acres will be park so will not be irretrievably committed to urban uses. The balance of the site development acres would remain in agricultural use, and the permissible land uses in this area would be agricultural, and includes farming, or any other uses which would be permitted in the A-2 zone with a use permit.

The purpose of this project is to create a destination which gathers most of its support from the traveling public, recreational travelers, the adjacent agricultural properties and neighboring communities. The project will allow the existing travel, agricultural, and recreational oriented uses to continue to grow and expand. The site currently employs about 75 full and part time employees. At full build-out, this is expected to increase to about 150 to 200 employees. Most uses will operate from 6 a.m. in the morning until 10 p.m. in the evening, with the cardlock facility and service station being open 24 hours a day. Special events and Weddings may occur until midnight.

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#### Fruit Yard Planned Development Development Schedule

The total term of the Planned Development will be seven (7) years. It is expected that the phases will generally be constructed within the following timeframes:

1.	Banquet Facility	1 to 3 years
2.	Mini-Storage, RV Parking, Tractor Sales and Packing Facility	2 to 5 years
3.	Gas Station Relocation, Card Lock Relocation and Retail	3 to 7 years

The construction windows offered in this Development Schedule are the current best estimate for construction. It is possible that some uses may occur sooner than expected while others may move back in time. Prior to the conclusion of the seventh  $(7^{th})$  year, extension request may be made. Time extension requests can be from a minimum of one (1) to a maximum of three (3) years and may be granted by the County, at its discretion. The number of time extensions that may be granted are at the discretion of the County.



## **APPLICATION QUESTIONNAIRE**

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Staff	is available to assist you with determ	Application No(s): <u>GPA2007-03</u> <u>RE2200</u> 7-03 Date: <u>3/26/07</u>		
X	General Plan Amendment		Subdivision Map	$s_34_t_3_R_0$ GP Designation: $AG$
X	Rezone		Parcel Map	Zoning: <u>A-240</u>
	Use Permit		Exception	Fee: ACTUAL (OST (\$3600 DER)
	Variance		Williamson Act Cancellation	Receipt No. <u>PAID CK</u> Received By: KF 3/26/67
	Historic Site Permit		Other	Notes:

In order for your application to be considered COMPLETE, please answer all applicable questions on the following pages, and provide all applicable information listed on the checklist on pages i - v. Under State law, upon receipt of this application, staff has 30 days to determine if the application is complete. We typically do not take the full 30 days. It may be necessary for you to provide additional information and/or meet with staff to discuss the application. Pre-application meetings are not required, but are highly recommended. An incomplete application will be placed on hold until all the necessary information is provided to the satisfaction of the requesting agency. An application will not be accepted without all the information identified on the checklist.

Please contact staff at (209) 525-6330 to discuss any questions you may have. Staff will attempt to help you in any way we can.

## **PROJECT INFORMATION**

PROJECT NAME:	F	ruit Yard PD A	mendment		
(Desired name for project, if any)					
CONTACT PERSON: Who is	the primary cont	act person for inform	nation regarding	this project?	
Name: David O. Rom	ano, P.E., Al	<b>CP</b>	elephone:	(209) 521-9521	
Address: 1020 Tenth Street, S	<u>uite 310, Mo</u>	desto, CA 953	54		
Fax Number: (209) 521-	4968	_ email address: _	droma	ano@ranpic.com	
(Attach additional sheets as necessary) PROPERTY OWNER'S NAME:		ard			
Mailing Address	7948 Yosei	nite Blvd.		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
	Modesto, C	A 95357			
	Telephone:	(209) 577-309	<b>3</b> Fax:	(209) 577-0600	

APPLICANT'S NAME:	The Fruit Yard				
Mailing Address	7948 Yosemite Blvd., Modesto, CA 95357				
	Telephone: (209) 577-3093 Fax: (209) 577-0600				
ENGINEER / APPLICANT:	Associated Engineering, Inc.				
Mailing Address	4206 Technology Drive, Modesto, CA 95356				
	Telephone: (209) 545-3390 Fax: (209) 545-3875				
PROJECT DESCRIPTION:	(Describe the project in detail, including physical features of the site, proposed				

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** (Describe the project in detail, including physical features of the site, proposed improvements, proposed uses or business, operating hours, number of employees, anticipated customers, etc. – Attach additional sheets as necessary)

\*Please note: A detailed project description is essential to the reviewing process of this request. In order to approve a project, the Planning Commission or the Board of Supervisors must decide whether there is enough information available to be able to make very specific statements about the project. These statements are called "Findings". It is your responsibility as an applicant to provide enough information about the proposed project, so that staff can recommend that the Commission or the Board make the required Findings. Specific project Findings are shown on pages 17 – 19 and can be used as a guide for preparing your project description. (If you are applying for a Variance or Exception, please contact staff to discuss special requirements).

See attached.

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## PROJECT SITE INFORMATION

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Additional parcel numbers:				-		
Project Site Address or Physical Location:	7948 Yosemite E	Bivd., Modes	to, CA 9	5357		
Property Area:	Acres: <b>43.86 (net)</b>	or Squar	e feet:			
Current and Previous Land Use	(Explain existing and p	previous land us	e(s) of site f	or the last te	n years)	
Restaurant, Service Sta	tion, Produce Ma	rket, Cardio	ock Facili	ty, Banqu	et/Meetin	g Facility
List any known previous proproject name, type of project, and d Use Permits for existing Existing General Plan & Zonir Proposed General Plan & Zon (if applicable) ADJACENT LAND USE:	ate of approval) g <b>facilities</b> ag: <u>Agriculture (A</u> ing: <u>Planned Deve</u>	g) Iopment (P-	D)			· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
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WILLIAMSON ACT CONT	RACT:					
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	Date Filed:			·		

Yes 🛛	No	X	Do you propos	se to cancel any p	portion of the Cor	ntract?	
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Field crop	s E	ב	Orchard 🗵	Pasture/Grassl	land 🔲	Scattered trees	
Shrubs			Woodland	River/Riparian		Other	
Explain O	ther:						
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STREA	MS,	LAKES	S, & PONDS:				
Yes 🗷	No		Are there any stream on plot plan)	s, lakes, ponds o	r other watercou	rses on the property? (If yes, pl	ease show
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STRUC	TURES:	
Yes 🗵	No 🛛	Are there structures on the site? (If yes, please show on plot plan. Show a relationship to property lines and other features of the site.
Yes 🔲	No 🗵	Will structures be moved or demolished? (If yes, indicate on plot plan.)
Yes 🛛	No 🗆	Do you plan to build new structures? (If yes, show location and size on plot plan.)
Yes 🛛	No 🗵	Are there buildings of possible Historical significance? (If yes, please explain and show location and size on plot plan.)

## PROJECT SITE COVERAGE: (See attached Plans)

Existing Building Coverage:	Sq. Ft.	Landscaped Area:	Sq. Ft.
Proposed Building Coverage:	Sq. Ft.	Paved Surface Area:	Sq. Ft.

#### **BUILDING CHARACTERISTICS:**

Size of new structure(s) or building addition(s) in gross sq. ft.: (Provide additional sheets if necessary)\_\_\_\_

#### See attached Plans.

Number of floors for each building: Two for the existing Fruit Yard restaurant, one for all other

#### buildings,

Building height in feet (measured from ground to highest point): (Provide additional sheets if necessary) 35 feet.

Height of other appurtenances, excluding buildings, measured from ground to highest point (i.e., antennas, mechanical equipment, light poles, etc.): (Provide additional sheets if necessary) **Existing Charter Communications Tower** 

#### near the southwest corner of the site is approximately 100 feet high.

Proposed surface material for parking area: (Provide information addressing dust control measures if non-asphalt/concrete material to be used)

#### Pavement

#### UTILITIES AND IRRIGATION FACILITIES:

Yes X No Are there existing public or private utilities on the site? Includes telephone, power, water, etc. (If yes, show location and size on plot plan)

Who provides, or will provide the following services to the property?

Electrical:	MID	Sewer*:	Septic	
Telephone:	AT&T	Gas/Propane:	PG&E	
Water**:	On-Site	Irrigation:	MID	

\*Please Note: A "will serve" letter is required if the sewer service will be provided by City, Sanitary District, Community Services District, etc.

\*\*Please Note: A "will serve" letter is required if the water source is a City, Irrigation District, Water District, etc., and the water purveyor may be required to provide verification through an Urban Water Management Plan that an adequate water supply exists to service your proposed development.

Will any special or unique sewage wastes be generated by this development other than that normally associated with resident or employee restrooms? Industrial, chemical, manufacturing, animal wastes? (Please describe:)

Please Note: Should any waste be generated by the proposed project other than that normally associated with a single family residence, it is likely that Waste Discharge Requirements will be required by the Regional Water Quality Control Board. Detailed descriptions of quantities, quality, treatment, and disposal may be required.

Yes 🛛	No	X	Are there existing irrigation, telephone, or power company easements on the property? (If yes, show location and size on plot plan.)
Yes 🛛	No	X	Do the existing utilities, including irrigation facilities, need to be moved? (If yes, show location and size on plot plan.)
Yes 🛛	No	X	Does the project require extension of utilities? (If yes, show location and size on plot plan.)

#### AFFORDABLE HOUSING/SENIOR:

Yes D No Will the project include affordable or senior housing provisions? (If yes, please explain)

RESIDENTIAL PROJECTS: (Please complete if applicable - Attach additional sheets if necessary)

Total No. Lots:	Total Dwelling Un	its:	Total Acreage			
Net Density per Acre:	Gross Density per Acre:					
(complete if applicable)	Single Family	Two Family Duplex	Multi-Family Apartments	Multi-Family Condominium/ Townhouse		
Number of Units:	-					
Acreace:						

COMMERCIAL, INDUSTRIAL, MANUFACTURING, RETAIL, USE PERMIT, OR OTHER

PROJECTS: (Please complete if applicable – Attach additional sheets if necessary)

Square footage of each existing or proposed building(s): See attached Site Plan.

Type of use(s): <u>Restaurant, Retail, Produce Market, Service Station and Card Lock Facility,</u> Storage and RV Park, Tractor Sales.

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Days and hours of operation: 6 a.m. to 10 p.m. ty	/pical.
Up to midnight for special events and we	ddings.
Seasonal operation (i.e., packing shed, huller, etc.) mont	ths and hours of operation: <b>nla</b>
	ft.) (approx. 300 person capacity); Market (4,500 sq. ft.); ); New Retail (2,000 sq. ft.); Tractor Sales (5,000 sq. ft.)
Number of employees: (Maximum Shift): Fruit Yard (30 Banquet (10-3	30); Market (5)
Estimated number of daily customers/visitors on site at p	beak time: Fruit Yard (500 total per day / 300 at peak) Banquet (500 at peak); Market (20)
Other occupants:	
Estimated number of truck delivenes/loadings per day.	Fruit Yard 3-5 per day, 3 days per week
Estimated hours of truck deliveries/loadings per day:	Banquet 4 per week total 6:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
Estimated percentage of traffic to be generated by truck	s Less than 5%
Estimated number of railroad deliveries/loadings per day	y:
Square footage of:	
Office area:	Warehouse area:
Sales area:	Storage area:
Loading area:	Manufacturing area:
Other: (explain type of area)	
Yes D No D Will the proposed use involve to	oxic or hazardous materials or waste? (Please explain)
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ROAD AND ACCESS INFORMATION:	
What County road(s) will provide the project's main acc	ess? (Please show all existing and proposed driveways on the plot plan)
Yosemite Blvd.   Geer Road	
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Yes 🗵	No		Are there private or public road or access easements on the property now? (If yes, show location and size on plot plan)
Yes 🗖	No	X	Do you require a private road or easement to access the property? (If yes, show location and size on plot plan)
Yes 🛛	No	X	Do you require security gates and fencing on the access? (If yes, show location and size on plot plan)

Please Note: Parcels that do not front on a County-maintained road or require special access may require approval of an Exception to the Subdivision Ordinance. Please contact staff to determine if an exception is needed and to discuss the necessary Findings.

#### **STORM DRAINAGE:**

How will your project handle storm water runoff? (Check one) Drainage Basin Direct Discharge Overland

Other: (pleas	e explain) Captured	on-site and appli	ed to project	lands to	percolate.
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If direct discharge is proposed, what specific waterway are you proposing to discharge to?

Please Note: If direct discharge is proposed, you will be required to obtain a NPDES permit from the Regional Water Quality Control Board, and must provide evidence that you have contacted them regarding this proposal with your application.

#### **EROSION CONTROL:**

If you plan on grading any portion of the site, please provide a description of erosion control measures you propose to implement.

#### Will prepare SWPPP for Grading.

Please note: You may be required to obtain an NPDES Storm Water Permit from the Regional Water Quality Control Board and prepare a Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan.

#### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

Please use this space to provide any other information you feel is appropriate for the County to consider during review of your application. (Attach extra sheets if necessary)

#### None provided.

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You need to obtain General Permit coverage if storm water discharges from your site and either of the following apply:

- Construction activities result in one or more acres of land disturbance, including clearing, grading, excavating, staging areas, and stockpiles or;
- The project is part of a larger common plan of development or sale (e.g., subdivisions, group of lots with or without a homeowner's association, some lot line adjustments) that result in one or more acres of land disturbance.

It is the applicant's responsibility to obtain any necessary permit directly from the California Regional Water Quality Control Board. The applicant(s) signature on this application form signifies an acknowledgment that this statement has been read and understood.

#### STATE OF CALIFORNIA HAZARDOUS WASTE AND SUBSTANCES SITES LIST (C.G.C. § 65962.5)

Pursuant to California Government Code Section 65962.5(e), before a local agency accepts as complete an application for any development project, the applicant shall consult the latest State of California Hazardous Waste and Substances Sites List on file with the Planning Department and submit a signed statement indicating whether the project is located on a site which is included on the List. The List may be obtained on the California State Department of Toxic Substances Control web site (http://www.envirostor.dtsc.ca.gov/public).

The applicant(s) signature on this application form signifies that they have consulted the latest State of California Hazardous Waste and Substances List on file with the Planning Department, and have determined that the project site  $\Box$  is or  $\boxtimes$  is not included on the List.

Date of List consulted:

March 9, 2007

Source of the listing:

(To be completed only if the site is included on the List)

#### ASSESSOR'S INFORMATION WAIVER

The property owner(s) signature on this application authorizes the Stanislaus County Assessor's Office to make information relating to the current owners assessed value and pursuant to R&T Code Sec. 408, available to the Stanislaus County Department of Planning and Community Development.



#### CENTRAL CALIFORNIA INFORMATION CENTER

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Alpine, Calaveras, Mariposa, Merced, San Joaquin, Stanislaus & Tuolumne Counties

Date: January 23, 2007

CCIC File #: 6581N Project: The Fruit Yard, 7948 Yosemite Blvd., Modesto, APN #59-005/009-27-04-595

Dave Romano C/o Russell A. Newman, PLC 1020 10<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 310 Modesto, CA 95354

Dear Mr. Romano,

We have conducted a records search as per your request for the above-referenced project area located on the Waterford USGS 7.5-minute quadrangle map in Stanislaus County.

Search of our files includes review of our maps for the specific project area and the immediate vicinity of the project area, and review of the National Register of Historic Places, the California Register of Historical Resources, the California Inventory of Historic Resources (1976), the California Historical Landmarks (1990), and the California Points of Historical Interest listing (May 1992 and updates), the Historic Property Data File (HPDF) and the Archaeological Determinations of Eligibility (ADOE) (Office of Historic Preservation current computer lists dated 12/11/2006 and 12/07/2006, respectively), the CALTRANS State and Local Bridge Survey (1989 and updates), the Survey of Surveys (1989), GLO Plats, and other pertinent historic data available at the CCIC for each specific county.

The following details the results of the records search:

Prehistoric or historic resources within the project area:

No prehistoric or historic archaeological resources or historic properties have been reported to the CCIC.

#### Prehistoric or historic resources within the immediate vicinity of the project area:

No prehistoric or historic archaeological resources or historic properties have been reported to the CCIC.

The MID Lateral Canal No. 1 is over 50 years old and can be considered a potential cultural resource (it has not yet been formally recorded or evaluated); however, it is not likely that it will be impacted.

#### Resources that are known to have value to local cultural groups:

None have been formally reported to the CCIC.

#### Previous investigations within the project:

Two linear cultural resource surveys have been reported that may be in or only immediately adjacent to the project area as follows:

CCIC # ST-	Author/Date	Project
3656	Jurich (1999)	Archaeological Survey Report for the Proposed AC Overlay and Shoulder Backing of SR 132 between Modesto and Waterford (PM 16.8/28.0)
5733	Carpenter (2004)	Negative Archaeological Survey Report for the Albers Road/SR 132 Intersection Signalization Project

#### Previous investigations within the immediate vicinity of the project area:

One reported to the CCIC as follows:

CCIC #	Author/Date	Project
ST-890	Napton (1982)	Cultural Resource Reconnaissance of the Geer Road
		Landfill Expansion, Geer Road Project Site and
		Bonzi Alternative Site

**Recommendations/Comments:** Please be advised that a historical resource is defined as a building, structure, object, prehistoric or historic archaeological site, or district possessing physical evidence of human activities over 45 years old. There may be unidentified features involved in your project that are 45 years or older and considered as historical resources requiring further study and evaluation by a qualified professional of the appropriate discipline.

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Based on existing data in our files:

- (1) The parcel has a low-to-moderate sensitivity for the possible discovery of the fragmentary remains of prehistoric sites, under the surface—as the parcel is within ¼-mile of the former northern terraces of the Tuolumne River and within ½-mile of the former southern terraces of Dry Creek. Prehistoric occupation sites, "kitchen midden" soils, human burials, groundstone tools, baked clay, and lithic debitage have been previously recorded in association with one or the other of these rivers; to date, two prehistoric sites have been recorded within 1 mile of this particular parcel—one midden/possible occupation site, and one site with milling implements; both of these have subsurface contexts.
- (2) Our records are not complete as to whether there exists on this parcel standing or remnant buildings, structures or objects over 45 years old, but it is a possibility, given the history and land use of the surrounding area.

If the proposed "project" that is the subject of this record search (we were not given details) will involve further development of this parcel, we recommend survey by a qualified archaeologist, of any undeveloped areas. If the project will involve the demolition, alteration, or relocation of any buildings, structures or objects over 45 years old, we recommend that they first be evaluated by a professional architectural historian. A copy of the Referral List for Historical Resources Consultants is attached for your use.

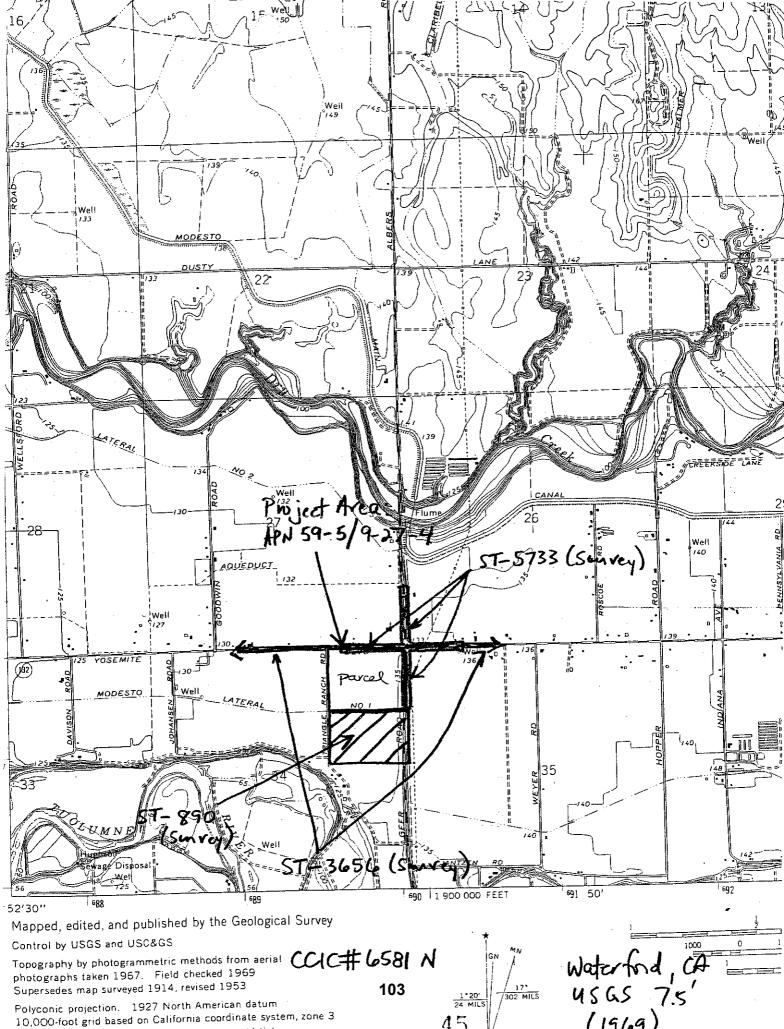
We advise you that in accordance with State law, if any historical resources are discovered during project-related construction activities, all work is to stop and the lead agency and a qualified professional are to be consulted to determine the importance and appropriate treatment of the find. If Native American remains are found the County Coroner and the Native American Heritage Commission, Sacramento (916-653-4082) are to be notified immediately for recommended procedures.

We further advise you that if you retain the services of a historical resources consultant, the firm or individual you retain is responsible for submitting any report of findings prepared for you to the Central California Information Center, including one copy of the narrative report and two copies of any records that document historical resources found as a result of field work.

We thank you for contacting this office regarding historical resource preservation. Please let us know when we can be of further service. Billing is attached, payable within 60 days of receipt of the invoice.

Sincerely,

Robin Hards, Assistant Research Technician Central California Information Center California Historical Resources Information System



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#### **DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS**

#### GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT APPLICATION NO. 2007-03 REZONE APPLICATION NO. 2007-03 THE FRUIT YARD

\*\*\*\* All adopted Development Standards shall apply to all phases of the project unless specifically noted.

#### Stanislaus County - Department of Planning & Community Development

- 1. The approved uses (phases) shall be conducted as described in the application and supporting information (including the plot plan/site plan) by the Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors and in accordance with other laws and ordinances.
- 2. If only Phase One is approved, interior roads identified as "E" Drive, "F" Way, "G" Drive and Triangle Ranch Road shall not be developed and only "A" Drive, "B" Drive, "C" Circle, and "D" Drive shall be developed for use. Triangle Ranch Road may continue to be used, and developed, for permitted agricultural purposes only. If all phases are approved, roadway construction for all on-site roadways will be determined as necessary to provide proper circulation for each use proposed and in place prior to occupancy of each use. If all phases are approved, F Way shall be constructed as shown on the approved site plan unless both Public Works and the "fire authority" agree to a modification.
- 3. Before any approved use Prior to occupancy of the Banquet Facility, or expansion of the park site, interior roads identified as "A" Drive, "B" Drive, "C" Circle, and "D" Drive shall be installed as approved by Stanislaus County Public Works. The length of construction will coincide with how much of the park site is proposed for construction.
- 4. If all phases of the project are approved, Triangle Ranch Road shall be shifted east to allow complete development of the road to occur on the project site. A revised site plan reflecting the shift, and in substantial compliance with the approved site plan, shall be approved by the Planning Department prior to any construction activity.
- 5. Agricultural uses not requiring a staff approval or a use permit pursuant to Sections 21.20.030 and 21.20.040 shall be permitted on all areas of the project site. A Use Permit to conduct activities described as Tier One and Tier Two uses under the A-2 zoning district, in effect at time of project approval, may be granted in areas of the project site which do not develop in accordance with the adopted site plan.
- 6. If Phase Two is approved, Use Permits for both the Tractor Sales Facility and the Fruit Packing Facility shall be approved prior to development of either use.

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- 7. Prior to issuance of any building permit or construction of any building or structure associated with Phase Two or Phase Three, elevations shall be reviewed and approved by the Planning Director or his appointed designee. Building and structure designs shall be consistent with existing buildings and structures and with the elevations approved for Phase One.
- 8. An acoustical analysis shall be prepared in accordance with the Noise Element of the Stanislaus County General Plan prior to any outdoor use of amplified sound or blasting devices to insure noise levels do not exceed the maximum allowable noise levels as allowed by the Noise Element.
- 9. Hours of exterior construction on the site shall be limited to 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday through Saturday.
- 10. Roof-mounted equipment, including but not limited to air conditioners, fans, vents, antennas, and dishes shall be set back from the roof edge, placed behind a parapet wall, or in a wall, so they are not visible to motorists or pedestrians on the adjacent roads or streets. Screening for equipment shall be integrated into the building and roof design by the use of compatible materials, colors, and forms. Wood lattice and fence-like coverings shall not be used as screening materials.
- 11. All outside storage and mechanical equipment shall be screened from the view of any public right-of-way by a screen fence of uniform construction as approved by the Planning Director or his appointed designee. Any required water tanks for fire suppression shall be painted to blend with the surrounding landscape or screened with landscaping and shall not be used as a sign unless approved by the Planning Director or his appointed designee.
- 12. A plan for any proposed signs indicating the location, height, area of the sign, and message must be approved by the Planning Director or his appointed designee prior to installation.
- 13. All exterior trash enclosures shall be screened from public view by a minimum six-foot masonry wall constructed of materials compatible with the architecture of the development. Trash enclosures shall be placed in locations as approved by the refuse collecting agency and the Planning Director or his appointed designee. All trash bins shall be kept in trash enclosures.
- 14. A final landscape plan prepared in accordance with Section 21.102 of the Stanislaus County Zoning Ordinance shall be submitted prior to issuance of any building permit or approved use of the park site. Final plans shall be approved by the Planning Director or his appointed designee prior to the issuance of any building permit or approved use of the park site.
- 15. Any required landscaping plan shall be reviewed by the Stanislaus County Agricultural Commissioner's Office prior to installation of any landscaping and include plant species and identification of the plants origin. Said review is necessary to help stop the spread of the Glassy-winged Sharpshooter, an injurious insect to agriculture, which can enter our County on the leaves of landscape plants.

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- 16. The applicant, or subsequent property owner, shall be responsible for maintaining landscape plants in a healthy and attractive condition. Dead or dying plants shall be replaced with materials of equal size and similar variety. Any dead trees shall be replaced with a similar variety of a 15-gallon size or larger.
- 17. All businesses (current & future) operating on-site shall obtain and maintain a valid business license. Application may be made with the Planning Department. (Section 6.04 of the Stanislaus County Ordinance Code)
- 18. Developer shall pay all 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 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.
- 19. Pursuant to Section 711.4 of the California Fish and Game Code (effective January 1, 2007), the applicant is required to pay a Department of Fish and Game filing fee at the time of recording a "Notice of Determination." Within five (5) days of approval of this project by the Planning Commission or Board of Supervisors, the applicant shall submit to the Department of Planning and Community Development a check for <u>\$1,933.75</u>, made payable to Stanislaus County, for the payment of Fish and Game, and Clerk Recorder filing fees.

Pursuant to Section 711.4 (e)(3) of the California Fish and Game Code, no project shall be operative, vested, or final, nor shall local government permits for the project be valid, until the filing fees required pursuant to this section are paid.

- 20. The applicant 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 project which is brought within the applicable statute of limitations. The County shall promptly notify the applicant of any claim, action, or proceeding to set aside the approval and shall cooperate fully in the defense.
- 21. Pursuant to Section 404 of the Clean Water Act, prior to construction, the developer shall be responsible for contacting the US Army Corps of Engineers to determine if any "wetlands," "waters of the United States," or other areas under the jurisdiction of the Corps of Engineers are present on the project site, and shall be responsible for obtaining all appropriate permits or authorizations from the Corps, including all necessary water quality certifications, if necessary.
- 22. Pursuant to Section 1600 and 1603 of the California Fish and Game Code, prior to construction, the developer shall be responsible for contacting the California Department of Fish and Game and shall be responsible for obtaining all appropriate stream-bed alteration agreements, permits or authorizations, if necessary.
- 23. Pursuant to State Water Resources Control Board Order 99-08-DWQ and National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) General Permit No. CAS000002, prior to construction, the developer shall be responsible for contacting the California Regional Water Quality Control Board to determine if a "Notice of Intent" is necessary, and shall prepare all appropriate documentation, including a Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP). Once complete, and prior to construction, a copy of the SWPPP shall be submitted to the Stanislaus County Department of Public Works.

- 24. Pursuant to the federal and state Endangered Species Acts, prior to construction, the developer shall be responsible for contacting the US Fish and Wildlife Service and California Department of Fish and Game to determine if any special status plant or animal species are present on the project site, and shall be responsible for obtaining all appropriate permits or authorizations from these agencies, if necessary.
- 25. The Department of Planning and Community Development shall record a Notice of Administrative Conditions and Restrictions with the County Recorder's Office within 30 days of project approval. The Notice includes: Conditions of Approval/Development Standards and Schedule; any adopted Mitigation Measures; and a project area map.

#### Stanislaus County - Department of Public Works

- 26. The developer's engineer shall prepare the Irrevocable Offer of Dedication document for Geer Road prior to the issuance of a building or grading permit or approved use of the park site. Geer Road is classified as a six-lane expressway, so the ultimate right of way is 135 feet. An Irrevocable Offer of Dedication of 67.5 feet west of the centerline of Geer Road is required. The intersection of Geer Road and Yosemite Boulevard will require a dedication of a 35-foot chord. All proposed buildings or fences will have to allow for the current ultimate right-of-way set backs, not existing.
- 27. The developer's engineer shall prepare the Irrevocable Offer of Dedication document for Yosemite Boulevard prior to the issuance of a building or grading permit or approved use of the park site. Yosemite Boulevard is currently classified as a two lane conventional highway. CalTran's ultimate right-of-way is 110 feet. An Irrevocable Offer of Dedication of 55 feet south of the centerline of Yosemite Boulevard is required.
- 28. An encroachment permit must be obtained for the off site improvements.
- 29. This Department shall approve all driveway locations and widths on Geer Road. The northern most driveway on Geer Road (driveway 8 on the site plan) is too close to Yosemite Boulevard per County Standards and Specifications (Section 3.17 Commercial Approaches on Major Roads) and shall be removed **concurrent with the relocation of the gas station.** prior to the issuance of any building or grading permit or approved use of the park site. At the same time, The the second driveway (driveway 9) will be converted to a right-in/right-out only driveway, with a pork chop installed. The driveway for "F" Way (driveway 13) will be located in such a way as to account for site distances of turning trucks, topography, and nearby structures **when its construction is warranted**. This department will approve the final location.
- 30. The installation of the street improvements may be phased with the development on-site. In areas being developed, the road frontages will need to be installed at current right-ofway. The improvements will include, but not be limited to, curb and gutter, drainage, pavement, associated striping, and streetlights. The improvements shall be in prior to occupancy of any associated building.
- 31. Off-site improvement plans for the entire frontage of the parcel shall be submitted and approved prior to the issuance of any building or grading permit.

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- 32. An Engineer's Estimates shall be provided so the amount of the financial guarantees can be determined. This will be based on the County and State approved street improvement plans. This shall be submitted prior to issuance of a building permit and once the improvement plans have been approved by the County. Please note that there should be two Engineer's Estimates. One for CalTran's right-of-way and one for Stanislaus County's right-of-way. CalTran's improvements shall include any additional work needed to the improvements in the right of way on Yosemite Boulevard.
- 33. Financial guarantees in a form acceptable to the Department of Public Works shall be deposited for the street improvement installation along the frontage of the parcel at both Geer Road and Yosemite Road with the Department prior to the issuance of the first building permit. The guarantees will be separated out for County and State right-of-ways.
- 34. Prior to final and/or occupancy of any building or approved use of the park site, streetlights per County Standards shall be installed along the developed portions of the parcel along the right-of-way Geer Road.
- 35. Prior to the issuance of a building or grading/drainage permit or approved use of the park site, a lighting district shall be formed to provide a funding mechanism to pay for operations and maintenance of the streetlights. The developer shall provide all necessary documentation and pay all the costs associated with the formation of the lighting district. The formation requires a ballot procedure in compliance with State Proposition 218. This formation can take approximately three to four months. Please contact Denny Ferriera at 525-7618.
- 36. Prior to issuance of a Grading Permit or Building Permit or approved use of the park site, whichever is done first, the developer shall pay the first year's operating and maintenance cost of the streetlights with the Department of Public Works.
- 37. Prior to the issuance of any building permit or approved use of the park site, a Grading and Drainage Plan shall be approved that provides sufficient information to verify all runoff will be kept from going onto adjacent properties and into the County or State road right-of-way. After the plan is determined to be acceptable to the Department of Public Works, the plan shall be implemented prior to final and/or occupancy of any new building.
- 38. All on-site roadways within the project (A through F) shall be built to a minimum 24 foot width. County Standards. This includes County Standard dimensions and cross sections for the roads on-site. This The Public Works Department shall approve the on-site roadway plans prior to construction of the roadways, or issuance of a building or grading permit., or approved use of the park site.
- 39. Prior to the approval of the on-site roadway plans, the developer shall enter into an inspection agreement with Stanislaus County Public Works for the inspection of the on-site roadway improvements.
- 40. Prior to the approval of the site improvement plans, the developer shall file a Notice of Intention (NOI) with the California Regional Water Quality Control Board and a Waste Discharge Identification Number must be obtained and provided to the Department of Public Works.

- 41. No parking, loading or unloading of vehicles will be permitted within the right-of-way of Geer Road.
- 42. The developer will be required to install or pay for the installation of any signs and/or markings, if warranted.
- 43. All employee and customer parking areas shall be paved and striped per county standards.

#### Stanislaus County - Building Permits Division

44. All development shall comply with the current adopted Title 24 and other Building Codes.

#### Stanislaus County - Department of Environmental Resources (DER)

- 45. Applicant must submit 3 sets of food facility construction plans to the Department of Environmental Resources for review and approval for compliance with the California Uniform Retail Food Facility Law (Section 27550).
- 46. Water supply for the project is defined by the State regulations as a public water system. Water system owner must submit plans for the water system construction or addition; and obtain approval from this Department of Environmental Resources (DER), prior to construction. Prior to final approval of the project, the owner must apply for and obtain a Water Supply Permit from DER. The Water Supply Permit Application must include a technical report that demonstrates compliance with State regulations and include the technical, managerial and financial capabilities of the owner to operate a public water system. The Water Supply Permit issuance is contingent upon the water system meeting construction standards, and providing water, which is of acceptable quantity and quality.
- 47. On-Site wastewater disposal system (OSWDS) shall be by individual Primary and Secondary wastewater treatment units, operated under conditions and guidelines by Measure X. The engineered OSWDS design shall be designed for the maximum occupancy of the buildings. The OSWDS designed system shall provide 100% expansion area.
- 48. The applicant shall determine, to the satisfaction of the Department of Environmental Resources (DER), that a site containing (or formerly containing) residences or farm buildings, or structures, has been fully investigated (via Phase I and II studies) prior to the issuance of a grading permit. Any discovery of underground storage tanks, former underground storage tank locations, buried chemicals, buried refuse, or contaminated soil shall be brought to the immediate attention of DER.
- 49. The applicant should contact the Department of Environmental Resources regarding appropriate permitting requirements for hazardous materials and/or wastes. Applicant and/or occupants handling hazardous materials or generating hazardous wastes must notify the Department of Environmental Resources relative to the following:
  - A. Permits for the underground storage of hazardous substances at new or the modification of an existing tank facilities.
  - B. Requirements for registering as a handler of hazardous materials in the County.

- C. Submittal of hazardous materials Business Plan by handlers of materials in excess of 55 gallons or 500 pounds of a hazardous material or of 200 cubic feet of compressed gas.
- D. The handling of acutely hazardous materials may require the preparation of a Risk Management Prevention Program that must be implemented prior to operation of the facility. The list of acutely hazardous materials can be found in SARA, Title III, Section 302.
- E. Generators of hazardous waste must notify DER relative to the: (1) quantities of waste generated; (2) plans for reducing wastes generated; (3)proposed waste disposal practices.
- F. Permits for the treatment of hazardous waste on-site will be required from the hazardous materials division.
- G. Medical waste generated must complete and submit a questionnaire to the department for determination if they are regulated under the Medical Waste Management Act.

#### Stanislaus Consolidated Fire Protection District

- 50. All proposed projects shall comply with all applicable codes, ordinances, and standards. Proposed structures in excess of 5,000 square feet shall be equipped with an automatic fire sprinkler system. Fire hydrants with an approved spacing and complying with minimum required fire flow shall be provided.
- 51. Approved fire apparatus access roads meeting fire code requirements shall also be provided. Per the 2007 California Fire Code, fire apparatus access roads shall have an unobstructed width of not less than 20 feet and an unobstructed vertical clearance of not less than 13 feet 6 inches. The turning radius of a fire apparatus access road shall be as approved (50-foot outside, 30-foot inside). Dead-end fire apparatus access roads in excess of 150 feet in length shall be provided with approved provisions for the turning around of fire apparatus.

#### Stanislaus County - Fire Prevention Bureau

- 52. The project must comply with all applicable County and State codes, ordinances, and regulations (including the demolishing and over night parking area). Fire protection water supply and access will be required at the time of building permit application. The water supply and access will be to all parts of the proposed project including the vehicle/RV storage and travel park area.
- 53. An approved fire apparatus access road shall be provided. Fire apparatus access roads shall have an unobstructed width of not less than 20 feet and an unobstructed vertical clearance of not less than 13 feet 6 inches. Dead-end fire apparatus access roads in excess of 150 feet in length shall be provided with an approved turn-around.
- 54. All buildings 5,000 square feet and greater and/or containing five or more dwelling units shall be provided with an automatic fire sprinkler system.

#### Modesto Irrigation District (MID)

- 55. Prior to development of the land **adjacent to the MID Canal**, in Phase 2 or Phase 3 a sixfoot tall masonry wall, or MID approved equal, is required adjacent to the MID Lateral No. 1 canal right-of-way at the south line of the applicant's property.
- 55. Concurrent with the development of either the RV/Boat Storage or the RV Park parcels, a six-foot high masonry wall, or an MID approved equal, is required along the south line of applicant's property adjacent to MID Lateral 1. This fence shall extend from Geer Road to a point 10 feet west of the proposed "E" Drive right-ofway. If "F" Way is constructed from "E" Street to Triangle Ranch Road or the Agricultural parcel is developed, then the wall must be extended the full length of that development.
- 56. In conjunction with related site/road improvement requirements, existing overhead and underground electric facilities within or adjacent to the proposed development shall be protected, relocated or removed as required by the District's Electric Engineering Department. Appropriate easements for electric facilities shall be granted as required.
- 57. Relocation or installation of electric facilities shall conform to the District's Electric Service Rules.
- 58. Costs for relocation and/or under grounding the District's facilities at the request of others will be borne by the requesting party. Estimates for relocating or under grounding existing facilities will be supplied upon request.
- 59. A 15' easement is required adjacent to the existing 12kv overhead lines along the Geer Road street frontage. The Geer Road easement is required in order to protect the existing electrical facilities and maintain necessary safety clearances.
- 60. A 10' public utility easement is required along all existing street frontages.
- 61. The Modesto Irrigation District reserves its future right to utilize its property, including its canal and electrical easements and rights-of-way in a manner it deems necessary for the installation and maintenance of electric, irrigation, agricultural, and urban drainage, domestic water and telecommunication facilities. These needs, which have not yet been determined, may consist of poles, cross arms, wires, cables, braces, insulators, transformers, service lines, open channels, pipelines, pumps, control structures and any necessary appurtenances, as may, in the District's opinion, be necessary or desirable.
- 62. Existing electric service to the proposed project may not be adequate to serve any future load additions. The customer should contact the District's Electric Engineering Department to arrange for electric service to the proposed project. Additional easements may be required with development of this property.

#### **Modesto City Schools**

63. The appropriate school impact fees will be assessed on all construction.

#### San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District (SJVAPCD)

- 64. Any construction resulting from this project shall comply with standardized dust controls adopted by the San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District.
- 65. Project to comply with the following rules from the SJVAPCD:
  - Regulation VIII (Fugitive PM10 Prohibitions)
  - Rule 2010 (Permits Required)
  - Rule 4002 (National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants)
  - Rule 4102 (Nuisance)
  - Rule 4103 (Open Burning)
  - Rule 4601 (Architectural Coatings)
  - Rule 4622 (Gasoline Transfer into Motor Vehicles)
  - Rule 4623 (Storage of Organic Liquids)
  - Rule 4641 (Cutback, Slow Cure, and Emulsified Asphalt, Paving, & Maintenance operations)
  - Rule 9510 (Indirect Source Review)

#### **California Department of Transportation (CalTrans)**

- 66. The functional area of the intersection of SR 132 and Geer Road will require the closure of the existing driveways closest to the intersection (numbers 6 and 8 as shown on the Study Intersection Index). While the other existing driveway (5) along SR 132 will need to be right in/right out. Spacing between driveways 4 and 5 are too close and need to be modified. Please provide an analysis with these driveway closures and modification for our review.
- 67. Please provide truck-turning templates for all driveways along SR 132 which will be accessed by trucks. Please identify whether or not the trucks will be STAA or California Legal in length.
- 68. An encroachment permit will be required for any work within the State right-of-way.

#### **Board of Supervisors**

69. No individual "RV Park" space shall be occupied by the same individual, trailer, recreational vehicle, or movable sleeping quarter of any kind for a period exceeding (14) fourteen consecutive days within a one month period. This applies to owner/operator of the RV/camper/trailer, all occupants, and the RV/camper/trailer itself.

#### **Mitigation Measures**

# (Pursuant to California Public Resources Codes 15074.1: Prior to deleting and substituting for a mitigation measures, the lead agency shall do both of the following: Hold a public hearing to consider the project; and Adopt a written finding that the new measure is equivalent or more effective in mitigating or avoiding potential significant effects and that it in itself will not cause any potentially significant effect on the environment.)

- 70. All exterior lighting shall be designed (aimed down and toward the site) to provide adequate illumination without a glare effect. This shall include but not be limited to: the use of shielded light fixtures to prevent skyglow (light spilling into the night sky) and the installation of shielded fixtures to prevent light trespass (glare and spill light that shines onto neighboring properties).
- 71. If any historical resources are discovered during project-related construction activities, all work is to stop and the lead agency and a qualified professional are to be consulted to determine the importance and appropriate treatment of the find. If Native American remains are found the county coroner and the Native American Heritage Commission, Sacramento (916-653-4082) are to be notified immediately for recommended procedures.
- 72. In accordance with the Noise Element of the Stanislaus County General Plan, noise levels associated with all on-site activities shall not exceed the maximum allowable noise levels as allowed by the Noise Element. The property owner shall be responsible for verifying compliance and for any costs associated with verification. \*
- 73. Geer Road is classified as a six-lane expressway, so the ultimate right-of-way is 135 feet. An Irrevocable Offer of Dedication of 67.5 feet west of the centerline of Geer Road is required. The intersection of Geer Road and Yosemite Boulevard will require a dedication of a 35-foot chord. The developer's engineer shall prepare the Irrevocable Offer of Dedication document prior to the issuance of a building permit. All proposed buildings or fences will have to allow for the current ultimate right-of-way set backs, not existing.
- 74. Yosemite Boulevard is currently classified as a two lane conventional highway. CalTran's ultimate right-of-way is 110 feet. An Irrevocable Offer of Dedication of 55 feet south of the centerline of Yosemite Boulevard is required. The developer's engineer shall prepare the Irrevocable Offer of Dedication document prior to the issuance of a building permit or grading permit.

## \* This Mitigation Measure has been modified from that which was circulated in the Initial Study (as discussed in the Staff Report / Recommendation)

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Please note: If Standards are amended by the Planning Commission or Board of Supervisors, such amendments will be noted in the upper right hand corner of the first page of the Development Standards, new wording is in **bold** and deleted wording will have a <del>line through it.</del>

#### **DEVELOPMENT SCHEDULE**

#### GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT APPLICATION NO. 2007-03 REZONE APPLICATION NO. 2007-03 THE FRUIT YARD

- Phase 1. Construction of the Banquet Building/Facility, upgrades to park area, corresponding landscaping, and On-Site Parking to be completed 1 to 3 years from the date of approval.
- Phase 2. Mini-Storage with Boat & RV storage, RV Park, Tractor Sales Facility, and the Fruit Packing Facility to be completed 2 to 5 years from the date of approval.
- Phase 3. Gas Station Relocation, Card Lock (Gas Station) Relocation, and Retail Buildings to be completed 3 to 7 years from the date of approval.

Uses may be moved from one phase to another to react to market conditions.

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## OWNER'S STATEMENT:

WE, THE UNDERSIGNED OWNER(S), HEREBY CERTIFY THAT WE ARE THE OWNER(S) OF, OR HAVE SOME RIGHT, TITLE OR INTEREST OF RECORD IN THE LAND SHOWN ON THIS PARCEL MAP, AND WE CONSENT TO THE MAKING AND FILING OF THIS MAP IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY RECORDER.

WE HEREBY OFFER FOR DEDICATION TO THE PUBLIC, FOR PUBLIC USE, THE PUBLIC UTILITY EASEMENTS AS SHOWN ON THIS MAP.

WE ALSO HEREBY OFFER FOR DEDICATION FOR THE MUTUAL BENEFIT OF THE PARCELS SHOWN HEREON, THE 30.00 FOOT WIDE PRIVATE INGRESS AND EGRESS EASEMENT AS SHOWN ON THIS MAP.

OWNER: FRUITYARD PROPERTY, LLC, A CALIFORNIA LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

JOSEPH TRAINA, MEMBER ramo BY:

WILLIAM TRAINA, MEMBER

DATE

BENEFICIARY: WELLS FARGO BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION

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Donny L. Rocha, Vice President PRINT NAME & TITLE

ACKNOWLEDGMENT:

STATE OF CALIFORNIA:

COUNTY OF stanislaus ON 10/9/12 BEFORE ME, Rachel Correia PUBLIC IN AND FOR SAID STATE, PERSONALLY APPEARED,

Joseph Traina & William Traina

WHO PROVED TO ME ON THE BASIS OF SATISFACTORY EVIDENCE TO BE THE PERSON(S) WHOSE NAME(S) 1/S/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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\_\_\_, NOTARY PUBLIC

PRINT NAME: <u>Rachel Correia</u>

COMMISSION NUMBER: 1951769 COMMISSION EXPIRES: 0ct. 9, 2015

PRINCIPAL OFFICE LOCATION (COUNTY): STANISLAUS

ACKNOWLEDGMENIT.

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PRINCIPAL OFFICE LOCATION (COUNTY): STANISLAUS

## NOTE:

"ALL PERSONS PURCHASING LOTS WITHIN THE BOUNDARIES OF THIS APPROVED MAP SHOULD BE PREPARED TO ACCEPT THE INCONVENIENCES ASSOCIATED WITH THE AGRICULTURAL OPERATIONS, SUCH AS NOISE, ODORS, FLIES, DUST OR FUMES. STANISLAUS COUNTY HAS DETERMINED THAT SUCH INCONVENIENCES SHALL NOT BE CONSIDERED TO BE A NUISANCE IF AGRICULTURAL OPERATIONS ARE CONSISTENT WITH ACCEPTED CUSTOMS AND STANDARDS."

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT THE OWNERS OF THE PROPERTY SHOWN ON THE ACCOMPANYING MAP HAVE FILED WITH THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS: (CHECK ONE) A. A BOND OR DEPOSIT APPROVED BY SAID BOARD TO SECURE THE PAYMENT OF TAXES AND SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS COLLECTED AS TAXES, WHICH ARE AT THE TIME OF FILING THIS MAP, A LIEN AGAINST SAID PROPERTY OR

- ANY PART THEREOF.

DATED THIS 23 DAY OF OCTOBER

CHRISTINE FERRARO TALLMAN CLERK OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.

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## TAX COLLECTOR'S CERTIFICATE:

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT THERE ARE NO LIENS FOR ANY UNPAID STATE, COUNTY, SCHOOLS, MUNICIPAL, OR SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS, EXCEPT SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS OR TAXES NOT YET PAYABLE AGAINST THE LAND SHOWN ON THIS MAP.

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BY: <u>BOJA AAN</u>, DEPUTY JEGAN L.RAJA

## OMITTED SIGNATURE:

PURSUANT TO SECTION 66436 OF THE SUBDIVISION MAP ACT, THE SIGNATURES OF THE FOLLOWING EASEMENT HOLDER'S OF RECORD HAVE BEEN OMITTED:

MODESTO IRRIGATION DISTRICT, CANAL AND INCIDENTAL PRUPOSES, RECORDED MAR. 13, 1925, IN BK. 105 OF OFFICIAL RECORDS, PG. 331, S.C.R. MODESTO IRRIGATION DISTRICT, PUBLIC UTILITY PRUPOSES, RECORDED JUNE 6, 2007, AS DOCUMENT NO. 2007-0075715, S.C.R.

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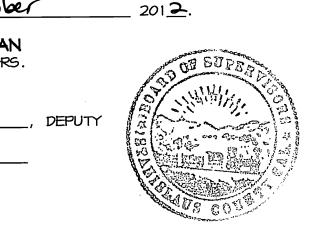
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> PREPARED FOR: THE FRUITYARD OCTOBER, 2012



## CLERK OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISOR'S CERTIFICATE:

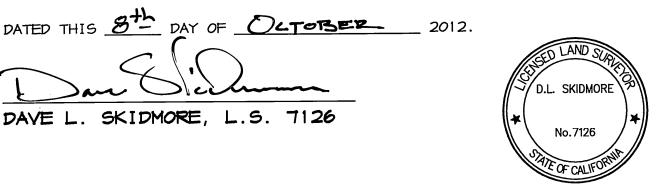
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## SURVEYOR'S STATEMENT:

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 JOE TRAINA ON OCTOBER 1, 2012 I HEREBY STATE THAT THIS PARCEL MAP SUBSTANTIALLY CONFORMS TO THE APPROVED OR CONDITIONALLY APPROVED TENTATIVE MAP, IF ANY. ALL MONUMENTS ARE OF THE CHARACTER AND OCCUPY THE POSITIONS INDICATED AND ARE SUFFICIENT TO ENABLE THIS SURVEY TO BE RETRACED.

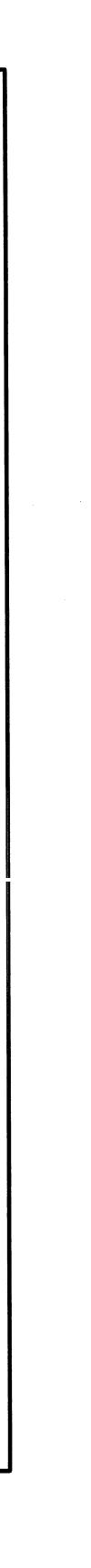


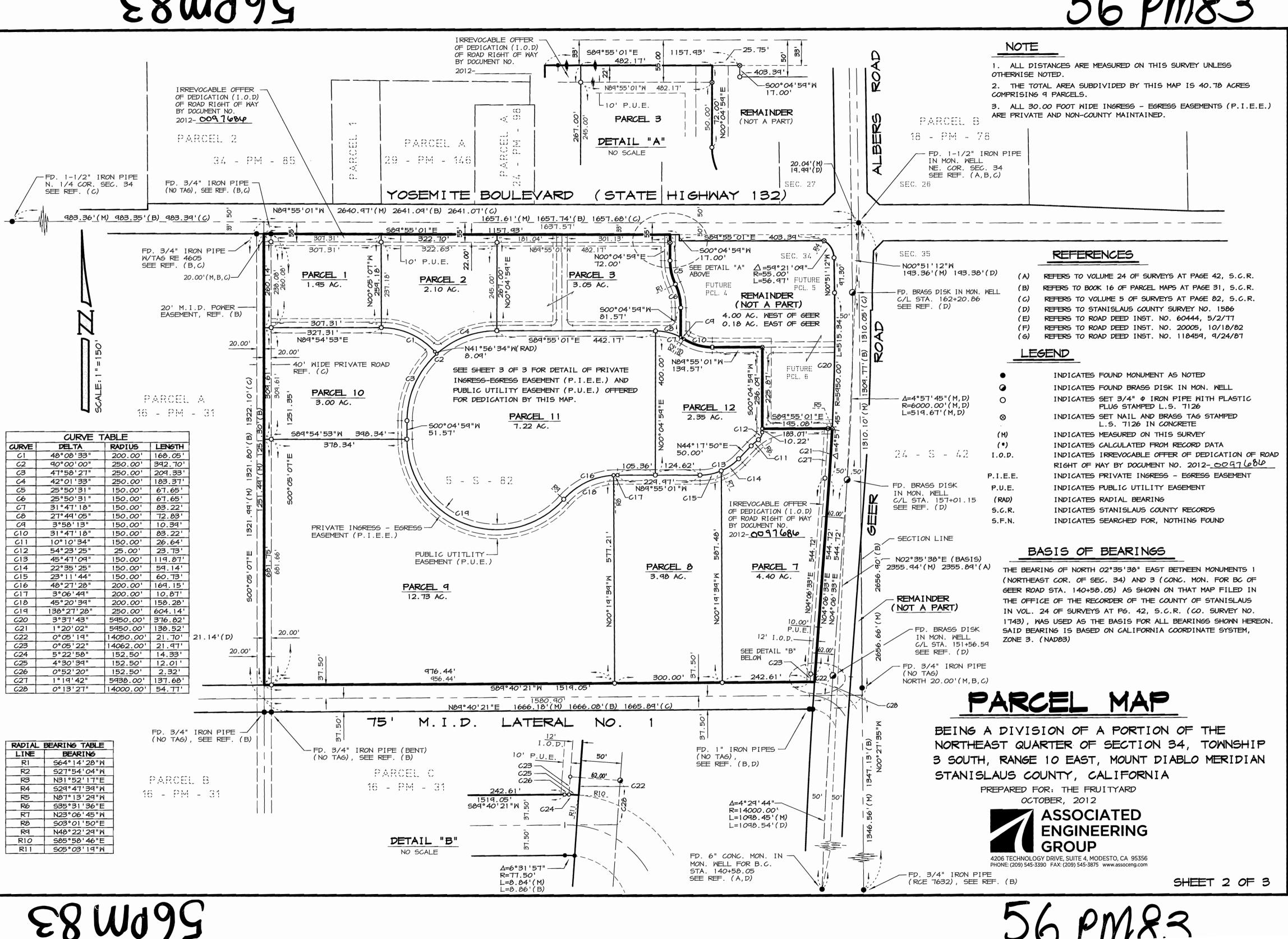
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THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT THE ACCOMPANYING MAP HAS BEEN EXAMINED AND THAT IT SUBSTANTIALLY CONFORMS TO THE TENTATIVE MAP AND ANY APPROVED ALTERATIONS THEREOF. ALSO, CHAPTER 2, AND TITLE 20, OF THE STANISLAUS COUNTY SUBDIVISION CODE HAVE BEEN COMPLIED WITH AND THE MAP IS TECHNICALLY CORRECT.

I HEREBY ACCEPT ON BEHALF OF THE PUBLIC FOR PUBLIC USE, THE OFFER OF DEDICATION OF THE PUBLIC UTILITY EASEMENTS AS SHOWN ON THIS MAP

DAY OF OCTOBER 2012. WAYNE G. WAYNE G. SUTTON SUTTON No. 3883 COUNTY SURVEYOR L.S. 3863 RECORDER'S CERTIFICATE: FILED THIS 31 th DAY OF OCTOBER, 20112, AT 15.04.23 O'CLOCK P.M. IN BOOK \_56 OF PARCEL MAPS, AT PAGE \_83, STANISLAUS COUNTY RECORDS, AT THE REQUEST OF ASSOCIATED ENGINEERING GROUP, INC. INSTRUMENT NO. 2012 - 97688 FEE \$ 15.00 PAID LEE LUNDRIGAN CLERK RECORDER DEPUTY **ATTACHMENT 4** STANISLAUS COUNTY PM APP. NO. 2009-08 SHEET 1 OF 3 ASSOCIATED ENGINEERING JOB NO. 496C-12



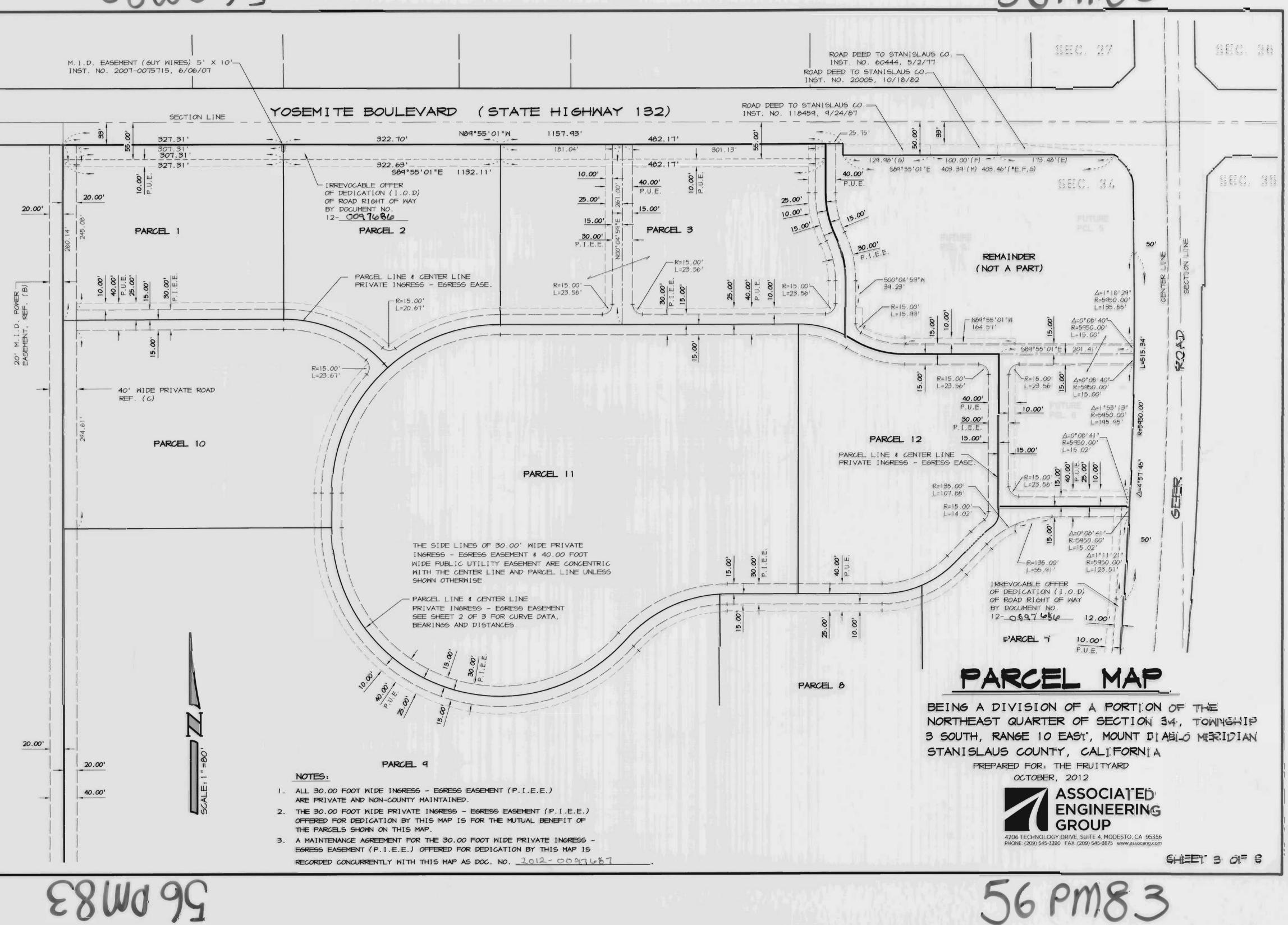


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Stanislaus County - Planning & Community Development Dept.

Tom Douglas 548 North Hopper Road Modesto, CA 95357-1818

Miguel A. Galvez, Senior Planner Planning and Community Development

Mr. Galvez:

I would like to thank you for the opportunity to comment on the TIME EXTENSION APPLICATION NO. PLN2015-0075 – THE FRUIT YARD for the public hearing scheduled for December 3, 2015.

Having participated in the approval of the original General Plan Amendment and Planned Development, it is my understanding that the Planned Development expired in 2011 and that the currently proposed amphitheater that is being processed under a separate Staff Approval Application is a significant change in the scope of the projects that had been approved as part of the General Plan Amendment.

In the original approval, Phase One of the project would have resulted in the construction of banquet facility, upgrades to the park, landscaping and parking for the operation of the banquet facility. That phase of the project was to have been completed within 1 to 3 years of the approval of the Planned Development (July 17, 2008). This phase expired in July 2011 and an extension should have been required prior to the authorization of any permits for improvements related to Phase One of the existing Planned Development schedule. Furthermore, the last phase of the project for the relocation and expansion of the fueling facilities, which was given a 3 to 7 year development schedule, expired July 17, 2015.

In my opinion, the proposed amphitheater is not the same as "park improvements" and contains no element of the original Phase One project which was primarily about the construction of a banquet facility and the associated parking, landscaping and park improvements requested to hold special events and weddings. When I provided my testimony at the original hearing, I already had significant concerns about noise for a banquet facility due to the fact that I had been disturbed by noise from significantly smaller events. I am located roughly 1.5 miles away from the Fruit Yard. At that time, the applicant assured me that events would occur within the building with some events occurring in the park during normal business hours. Typically that means that events end around 10 PM on weekdays and 11 PM on weekends.

The prospect of a 5,000 person amphitheater is a pretty significant change in scope, in my mind. The originally approved banquet building would not have come close to accommodating that many people. Furthermore, the type of music events that are attracted to an amphitheater will be primarily conducted outside of a building, the music will be substantially more amplified than any of the current events being held at the Fruit Yard, the traffic generated by an amphitheater is concentrated during specific times where current events are spread out over a day or two, the type of parking demand and traffic

management required to accommodate the traffic is very different than the smaller banquet facility would have been, and a much higher level of security is required to manage crowds of this size. These are all environmental impacts that were never addressed in the original approval because a facility of this magnitude was not included in the project description and could not have possibly been analyzed properly for CEQA purposes. Prior to the approval of the amphitheater or this extension of the schedule, the County should prepare the environmental studies to ensure that these impacts are analyzed and that proper mitigation measures are put in place to reduce the impacts to a less than significant level or prepare an environmental impact report if the impacts cannot be adequately mitigated.

The applicant argues that the amphitheater construction that is currently occurring on the site under a grading permit was to create a drainage basin for the parking lot that was to have accompanied the banquet facility and that the construction of the amphitheater was intended to reduce the impacts of the activities that are currently occurring in the park area.

<u>I DISAGREE</u>. The construction of the amphitheater is not equivalent to having a park-like setting for holding weddings and events like Graffiti Days. Weddings are much smaller and the other events held at the Fruit Yard occur over the course of an entire day. These events already create significant noise and traffic impacts, but don't come close to the level of traffic, noise, parking and security concerns of a large amphitheater that brings 5,000 people together at the same time over the course of a few hours and then releases them again. Not to mention the fact that these types of facilities attract performances that generate much louder noise. I also understand that the applicant wishes to change the original banquet building into a tent that has far less noise attenuating features. This change runs counter to the assurances that were made to me at the original hearing.

Although the December 3, 2015 hearing is on the extension of the project, I believe that the extension is tied to the future proposed changes in the development plan. I attended the original 2008 planning commission meeting that approved the general plan amendment and rezone. I also had the opportunity to comment on the original development plan. Due to the changes in the scope of the project as well as the potential environmental impacts of the proposed changes in both the scope of the Planned Development and its development schedule, I respectfully request that the extension be denied and that the County require that the proper environmental impacts of the proposed changes in the scope and schedule of the project.

I am concerned that the proposed development plan is substantially different than the original proposal. I believe that these changes require additional CEQA considerations. I can identify six specific areas that need to be addressed through either additional CEQA mitigation or operation restrictions.

**NOISE**. Although the developers have agreed to abide by all of the County Noise Ordinances as part of their development proposal and have conducted a noise study to assess the impact of the amphitheater, the study looked at noise generated by a special event at the floor of the amphitheater but it did not

consider crowd noise as part of the analysis or what impact a concrete stage may have on the analysis. Measurements made at the top of the amphitheater may provide a more accurate assessment. The noise study proposed that the developer employ a professional acoustic firm to measure the sound levels at the first year of operation to evaluate the noise mitigation measures. I believe that a condition of the extension and the amendment should include this noise monitoring as a permanent requirement. The results should be provided to county planning on a continual basis. The continued maintenance of these noise levels should a requirement of the continued operation of the facility.

The applicant also proposes to have weddings at this facility, any event should be regulated by the County Noise Ordinance and a noise study should be conducted for the tented wedding facility. Noise levels and time period constraints should be recognized and monitored through regular reports available to the public for review. Lower noise levels after 10 PM should be maintained.

TIME LIMITS TO WEDDINGS AND SPECIAL EVENTS. Originally the developer proposed to allow special events or weddings to go to midnight. At a community meeting recently held by the developer he proposed to limit events to no later than 10:00 p.m. In any case, the timing of events and weddings should recognize the timing and noise restrictions noted in the County Noise Ordinance.

A review of most of the major amphitheaters suggest that these operations all have a firm shut down time as a consideration to neighboring community. Not one reviewed extended their operation to midnight at any time.

**TRAFFIC CONTROL.** The orderly egress and exit of 5,000 attendants at a special event is no small endeavor. This operation may have considerable impacts on traffic on State Route 132 and county roads. This issue has not been considered in the plan. A traffic plan should be a requirement of the extension or rezone.

**PARKING**. In past special events held at the Fruit Yard parking has been at a premium. People attending parked on the sides of State Route 132 and Geer Road. Both SR 132 and Geer/Albers are busy traffic corridors. This parking has created a traffic and public safety problem with people jaywalking with limited visibility across traffic. Although Caltrans has installed a pedestrian crossing at this intersection, this will probably not solve the jaywalking problem.

The plan needs a parking analysis and mitigating measures to assure the continued free flow of traffic on the two major streets. Are there sufficient parking spaces for a 5,000 customer venue? Any deficit could be addressed through a shuttle program from nearby parking lots. A no parking posting program on SR 132 and Geer may be necessary to assure pedestrian safety.

**NEIGHBORHOOD COMPLAINT PROCESS.** I understand that the applicant has argued that he has not received any complaints about noise from the community. Personally I know that I have complained several times both to the Fruit Yard staff and to the sheriff department about noise levels past 10 PM.

In the past when I have complained to Fruit Yard Staff about noise from weddings, I was either told that they were exempt from the noise ordinance or had special permission to continue until midnight. In short no one was registering the complaints or even addressing them. I had contacted the sheriff department a number of times and have been told that it would be addressed on a non-emergency basis when staff was available. This was true even when events were permitted under a sheriff's permit.

To the applicant's credit there have not been any issues during the last year. I believe that weddings were conducted inside. The addition of a tent space for weddings could create another noise issue that should be monitored.

At the very least a responsible staff member should be available at all times during any event or wedding. The contact telephone number to address issues should be available at all times to the members of the surrounding community. Any event exceeding the noise standard should be terminated.

**SECURITY.** The applicant should have a detailed security plan in place. Any event that has 5,000 attendees should have identifiable security program for crowd control. This requirement should be defined for both weddings and special events where the number of attendees should set the number of security staff.

In the past, when I was going to the Fruit Yard Restaurant for a late dinner, I was accosted by a drunken individual from a wedding. When I asked the Fruit Yard employee I was told that there was no security at the wedding and that there was no employee responsible for monitoring the wedding. I was also told that staff left at 10:00 p.m. and the wedding could continue as long as it wanted. The wedding was essentially left to run on its own. This is clearly unacceptable, particularly for the substantial changes to the property proposed by the applicant.

**IN SUMMARY**, the County has allowed and even encouraged neighborhoods to develop near the Fruit Yard. People who live in these neighborhoods have an expectation that, while not the same as in an urban environment, is also not the same as in a farming area with 40-acre parcels. Development and activities at the Fruit Yard have caused problems in the past for the neighbors. Should the extension be granted—and I request that it be denied—I ask that the County consider the compatibility of this potential development as if it were in any other neighborhood. Any mitigation measures that are applied should be fully enforceable and enforced and penalties for failure to comply should be adequate to ensure compliance.

If you have any questions regarding these comments please do not hesitate to contact me at 209-409-4912

# SUMMARY OF RESPONSES FOR ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW REFERRALS

# PROJECT: Time Extension No. PLN2015-0075 - The Fruit Yard

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CA DEPT OF CONSERVATION: Land Resources / Mine Reclamation	х				х							
CA DEPT OF FISH & WILDLIFE	х				Х							
CA DEPT OF TRANSPORTATION DIST 10	х			Х								
CA OPR STATE CLEARINGHOUSE	Х				Х							
CA RWQCB CENTRAL VALLEY REGION	х			Х				х		Х		Х
CA STATE LANDS COMMISSION	Х				Х							
COOPERATIVE EXTENSION	х				Х							
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SCHOOL DISTRICT 2: Modesto	Х				Х							
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STAN CO BUILDING PERMITS DIVISION	х				Х							
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DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

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# **CEQA INITIAL STUDY**

Adapted from CEQA Guidelines APPENDIX G Environmental Checklist Form, Final Text, December 30, 2009

1. **Project title:** Use Permit Application No. PLN2015-0130 -The Fruit Yard. SCH No.2016072019 2. Lead agency name and address: Stanislaus County 1010 10<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 3400 Modesto, CA 95354 3. Contact person and phone number: Kristin Doud, Associate Planner (209) 525-6330 4. **Project location:** 7924 & 7948 Yosemite Blvd. (Hwy 132), at the southwest corner of Yosemite Blvd. and Geer Road, between the cities of Modesto, Waterford and Hughson. (APN: 009-027-004) 5. Project sponsor's name and address: The Fruit Yard – Joe Traina 7948 Yosemite Blvd Modesto, CA 95356 6. General Plan designation: PD (Planned Development) 7. Zoning: PD (317)

### 8. **Description of project:**

This is a request to expand an existing Planned Development (PD-317) with an outdoor, fenced, 3,500 person capacity amphitheater event center, a 5,000 square-foot amphitheater concrete stage with a 5,000 square-foot roof structure, a 4,000 square-foot storage building and parking lot adjacent and to the rear of the stage, and an additional 1,302-space temporary parking area, north and south of the amphitheater and east of the park. Vehicular access to the temporary parking lots will be provided by two additional paved access driveways off of Yosemite Boulevard (State Highway 132) and one additional driveway off of Geer Road. The on-site access driveways are proposed to be paved, lighted, and will provide on-site circulation access around the amphitheater. A traffic management plan is proposed to address ingress and egress to the site during special events. A maximum of 12 amphitheater events are proposed to take place per year, ending at 10:00 p.m. Sunday through Thursday, or 11:00 p.m. Friday and Saturday.

The Planned Development approved for this project, by the Board of Supervisors on August 19, 2008, allowed for the development of a 9,000 square-foot banquet facility, a new convenience market, relocation of an existing gas station, relocation of the existing "card lock" fueling facility and construction of a 3,000 square-foot retail shell building, which includes a drive-through establishment of unknown type. The Planned Development also permitted a 322-space boat/RV mini storage (both covered and uncovered spaces), a 66 space travel trailer park for short term (overnight) stays, a two acre site for retail tractor (large agricultural equipment) sales and a new facility for fruit packing and warehousing. A time extension approved by the Planning Commission on December 3, 2015, allowed the planned development schedule to extend out to August 19, 2030, to start construction of any one of the project phases.

The approved Planned Development also permitted occasional outdoor special events to be held on-site, near and on the nine acre park area, including fund raising activities to private parties. This Use Permit also includes a request to construct a covered seating area of approximately 4,800 square-feet and a 1,600 square-foot gazebo in the eastern half of the existing park area, east of the outdoor amphitheater.

Although the approved Planned Development included events to be held both in the park and in the future banquet hall, the Planned Development included a condition of approval which required that prior to the use of amplified music for these events, a Noise Analysis must be completed. Accordingly, the Noise Analysis and associated mitigation measures prepared for this project, cover amplified music events in the amphitheater, banquet hall and park.

Lastly, this Use Permit request also includes replacement of the existing pylon identification freestanding pole sign to an electronic reader board sign.

On January 21, 2010, the Planning Commission approved Vesting Tentative Parcel Map Application No. 2009-08 - The Fruit Yard, allowing the creation of twelve parcels ranging in size from 0.60+/- to 12.70 acres in conformance with uses allowed under P-D No. 317. The Fruit Yard Parcel Map (56PM83) was recorded on October 31, 2012.

- Surrounding land uses and setting: 9.
- 10. Stanislaus County Public Works Department Other public agencies whose approval is required (e.g., CALTRANS, District 10 permits, financing approval, or participation agreement.): Stanislaus Fire Prevention Bureau Department of Environmental Resources Sheriff's Department

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# **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.

⊠Aesthetics	□ Agriculture & Forestry Resources	□ Air Quality
☐Biological Resources	Cultural Resources	□ Geology / Soils
□Greenhouse Gas Emissions	Hazards & Hazardous Materials	□ Hydrology / Water Quality
Land Use / Planning	□ Mineral Resources	⊠ Noise
□ Population / Housing	☑ Public Services	□ Recreation
☑ Transportation / Traffic	□ Utilities / Service Systems	☐ Mandatory Findings of Significance

DETERMINATION: (To be completed by the Lead Agency) On the basis of this initial evaluation:

☐ 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, there will not be a significant effect in this case because revisions in the project have been made by or agreed to by the project proponent. A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION will be prepared.

I find that the proposed project MAY have a significant effect on the environment, and an ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT is required.

I find that the proposed project MAY have a "potentially significant impact" or "potentially significant unless mitigated" impact on the environment, but at least one effect 1) has been adequately analyzed in an earlier document pursuant to applicable legal standards, and 2) has been addressed by mitigation measures based on the earlier analysis as described on attached sheets. An ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT is required, but it must analyze only the effects that remain to be addressed.

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.

Kristin Doud, Associate Planner Signature

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March 1, 2017 Date 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, than 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). References 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 significant 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 significant.

## ISSUES

I. AESTHETICS Would the project:	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant With Mitigation Included	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
a) Have a substantial adverse effect on a scenic vista?			Х	
b) Substantially damage scenic resources, including, but not limited to, trees, rock outcroppings, and historic buildings within a state scenic highway?			х	
c) Substantially degrade the existing visual character or quality of the site and its surroundings?			x	
d) Create a new source of substantial light or glare which would adversely affect day or nighttime views in the area?		x		

**Discussion:** The site is located at the southwest corner of Geer Road and Yosemite Boulevard (Hwy 132). Aesthetic impacts from the approved Planned Development were addressed as part of the previous approved project, General Plan Amendment Application No. 2007-03 and Rezone Application No. 2007-03. This included landscaping plans, building elevations and a sign plan.

This project proposes the following additional lighting: two street lights along Geer Road, proposed to be 28 feet tall with 15 foot wide arms, in accordance with Public Works Standards and Specifications; five additional pole lights, proposed to be located at the back of the amphitheater, each 27 feet in height; five pole lights to be located in the driveway and parking area, each 27 feet in height; and stage lighting which is either mounted on the roof of the stage or placed at ground level.

A Mitigation Measure has been applied to the project to ensure that all proposed lighting will be aimed down to prevent any glaring impacts onto adjacent properties or roadways. With this mitigation measure in place, aesthetic impacts are considered to be less than significant with mitigation included.

# **Mitigation Measure No. 1:** All exterior lighting shall be designed (aimed down and toward the site) to provide adequate illumination without a glare effect. This shall include but not be limited to: the use of shielded light fixtures to prevent skyglow (light spilling into the night sky) and to prevent light trespass (glare and spill light that shines onto neighboring properties). Amphitheater lighting shall be shut off by 11:00 p.m. on Sunday – Thursday, and by midnight on Friday and Saturday evenings.

**References:** Application information; General Plan Amendment No. 2007-03, Rezone No. 2007-03 – The Fruit Yard; and the Stanislaus County General Plan and Support Documentation<sup>1</sup>.

II. AGRICULTURE AND FOREST RESOURCES: In determining whether impacts to agricultural resources are significant environmental effects, lead agencies may refer to the California Agricultural Land Evaluation and Site Assessment Model (1997) prepared by the California Department of Conservation as an optional model to use in assessing impacts on agriculture and farmland. In determining whether impacts to forest resources, including timberland, are significant environmental effects, lead agencies may refer to information compiled by the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection regarding the state's inventory of forest land, including the Forest and Range Assessment Project and the Forest Legacy Assessment project; and forest carbon measurement methodology provided in Forest Protocols adopted by the California Air Resources Board Would the project:	Impact	Less Than Significant With Mitigation Included	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact

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?	X	
b) Conflict with existing zoning for agricultural use, or a Williamson Act contract?	X	
c) Conflict with existing zoning for, or cause rezoning of, forest land (as defined in Public Resources Code section 12220(g)), timberland (as defined by Public Resources Code section 4526), or timberland zoned Timberland Production (as defined by Government Code section 51104(g))?	x	
d) Result in the loss of forest land or conversion of forest land to non-forest use?		х
e) Involve other changes in the existing environment which, due to their location or nature, could result in conversion of Farmland, to non-agricultural use or conversion of forest land to non-forest use?	X	

**Discussion:** The property is not currently restricted by a Williamson Act Contract. The project site is classified as Prime Farmland and Urban and Built-Up Land by the Farmland Mapping and Monitoring Program. The soils on site are listed as Hanford fine sandy loams (0-1% and 0-3% slopes, Index Rating of 90-100, Grade 1) and Greenfield sandy loams (0-3% slopes, Index Rating of 68, Grade 2).

The project site is adjacent to an animal feed and supply business (zoned P-D 268, Planned Development) located on the northeast corner of the intersection, a drilling company (Masellis Drilling) on the northwest corner, a fire station and church are located to the north. Production Agricultural parcels are to the west, south, and east of the project site. The 45± acre parcel currently supports the existing Fruit Yard produce market, the Fruit Yard restaurant, two separate Gas Fueling facilities, all of which currently have paved parking and landscaping; a concave grass outdoor amphitheater and a park site, where special events are currently held. The remaining part of the property is currently planted in orchard. The Planned Development approved for this project, by the Board of Supervisors on August 19, 2008, allowed for the additional development of a 9,000 square-foot banquet facility and construction of a 3,000 square-foot retail shell building, which includes a drive-through establishment of unknown type. The planned development also permitted a 322 space boat/RV mini storage (both covered and uncovered spaces), a 66 space travel trailer park for short term (overnight) stays, a two acre site for retail tractor (large agricultural equipment) sales, and a new facility for fruit packing and warehousing. This project is addressing the outdoor amphitheater, which proposes a maximum capacity of 3,500 persons and to hold up to 12 events per year, and the use of amplified music events at the amphitheater, park and banquet hall.

Although the approved development described above was approved by the Board of Supervisors, which requires finding the project to be compatible with surrounding land uses, including agriculture, and to meet the criteria for ag land conversion, the staff report written for the project identified some of the proposed uses included in phase 2 of the project as needing further analysis in terms of potential impacts to surrounding agriculture and whether or not they meet the criteria for ag land conversion. Consequently, the project was conditioned to require a Use Permit be obtained prior to implementation of the tractor sales facility and the fruit packing facility identified in phase 2 of the Planned Development.

In December of 2007, Stanislaus County adopted an updated Agricultural Element which incorporated guidelines for the implementation of agricultural buffers applicable to new and expanding non-agricultural uses within or adjacent to the A-2 Zoning District. The purpose of these guidelines is to protect the long-term health of agriculture by minimizing conflicts such as spray drift and trespassing resulting from the interaction of agricultural and non-agricultural uses. Prior to project approval, the applicant may present an alternative to the buffer requirements to the Agricultural Advisory Board for support. Alternatives may be approved provided the Planning Commission finds that the alternative provides equal or greater protection than the existing buffer standards. The proposed project does meet the recommended 300 feet buffer for people intensive uses from the use to all property lines.

Mitigation: None.

**References:** Application information; General Plan Amendment No. 2007-03, Rezone No. 2007-03 – The Fruit Yard; Stanislaus County General Plan and Support Documentation<sup>1</sup>; Stanislaus County General Plan and Support Documentation<sup>1</sup>; Stanislaus County General Plan and Support Documentation<sup>1</sup>; Stanislaus County Agricultural Element<sup>1</sup>; Stanislaus County Zoning Ordinance; California State Department of Conservation Farmland Mapping and Monitoring Program - Stanislaus County Farmland 2004; United States Department of Agriculture Soil Survey 1964 - Eastern Stanislaus Area, California.

III. AIR QUALITY: Where available, the significance criteria established by the applicable air quality management or air pollution control district may be relied upon to make the following determinations Would the project:	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant With Mitigation Included	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
a) Conflict with or obstruct implementation of the applicable air quality plan?			х	
b) Violate any air quality standard or contribute substantially to an existing or projected air quality violation?			х	
c) Result in a cumulatively considerable net increase of any criteria pollutant for which the project region is non- attainment under an applicable federal or state ambient air quality standard (including releasing emissions which exceed quantitative thresholds for ozone precursors)?			x	
d) Expose sensitive receptors to substantial pollutant concentrations?			х	
e) Create objectionable odors affecting a substantial number of people?			x	

**Discussion:** The project site is within the San Joaquin Valley Air Basin, which has been classified as "non-attainment" for ozone and respirable particulate matter (PM-10 and PM-2.5) 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. The project will be subject to compliance with all applicable district rules including, but not limited to fugitive PM-10 prohibitions, nuisance, and architectural coatings, and cutback, and slow cure and emulsified asphalt. This project was referred to the SJVAPCD for early comments. At maximum capacity the amphitheater can hold 3,500 attendees. At a rate of three attendees per vehicle, the project is estimated to include a total of 1,167 additional car trips per event. There are a maximum of 12 events per year proposed as a part of this project. A referral response received from SJVAPCD indicated that this proposed project may be subject to District Rule 9510 and subject to obtaining an Air Impact Assessment (AIA) Application. The project will be conditioned to require that the applicant obtain this permit and any other applicable permits from the Air District prior to onset of amphitheater events. With these permits in place, and considering that the events are temporary in nature and limited in number, no significant impacts to air quality are anticipated.

# Mitigation: None.

**References:** Application information; General Plan Amendment No. 2007-03, Rezone No. 2007-03 – The Fruit Yard; Referral response received from the San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District on July 19, 2016; Stanislaus County General Plan and Support Documentation<sup>1</sup>.

IV. BIOLOGICAL RESOURCES Would the project:	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant With Mitigation Included	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
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?			x	
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 U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service?			x	
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?			x	
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?			x	
e) Conflict with any local policies or ordinances protecting biological resources, such as a tree preservation policy or ordinance?			х	
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?			X	

**Discussion:** The project is located within the Waterford Quad of the California Natural Diversity Database. There are 15 plants and animals which are state or federally listed, threatened, or identified as species of special concern within the Waterford California Natural Diversity Database Quad. These species include the Swainson's hawk, Tricolored Blackbird, Burrowing Owl, Riffle Sculpin, Sacramento Hitch, Hardhead, Sacramento-San Joaquin Tule Perch, Steelhead, Chinook Salmon, Valley Elderberry Longhorn Beetle, Stinkbells, Beaked Clarkia, Colusa Grass, San Joaquin Valley Orcutt Grass, and Greene's Tuctoria. However, the project site is already developed or planted in orchard making the likelihood for existence of these species on the project site very low.

The project will not conflict with a Habitat Conservation Plan, a Natural Community Conservation Plan, or other locally approved conservation plans. Impacts to endangered species or habitats, locally designated species, or wildlife dispersal or mitigation corridors are considered to be less than significant.

An early consultation was referred to the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (formerly the Department of Fish and Game) and no response was received.

# Mitigation: None.

**References:** Application information; General Plan Amendment No. 2007-03, Rezone No. 2007-03 – The Fruit Yard; California Department of Fish and Wildlife (formerly the Department of Fish and Game); California Natural Diversity Database; and the Stanislaus County General Plan and Support Documentation<sup>1</sup>.

V. CULTURAL RESOURCES Would the project:	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant With Mitigation Included	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
a) Cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a historical resource as defined in § 15064.5?			x	

b) Cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of an archaeological resource pursuant to § 15064.5?	x	
c) Directly or indirectly destroy a unique paleontological resource or site or unique geologic feature?	x	
d) Disturb any human remains, including those interred outside of formal cemeteries?	x	

**Discussion:** It does not appear this project will result in significant impacts to any archaeological or cultural resources. The applicant submitted a records search from the Central California Information Center (CCIC) with the previous 2007 Planned Development project request. The records search indicated that the project area has a low sensitivity for the possible discovery of prehistoric resources, due to the distance from a natural water source, as well as a low sensitivity for historic archaeological resources. A Sacred Lands File Check, completed by the Native American Heritage Commission during the processing of the 2007 Planned Development, indicated that no sacred sites were present within the project site. Conditions of approval will be placed on the project requiring that construction activities will be halted if any resources are found, until appropriate agencies are contacted and an archaeological survey is completed.

It does not appear this project will result in significant impacts to any archaeological or cultural resources. Cultural resources are not known to exist on the project site. However, a standardized condition of approval will be added to this project to address any discovery of cultural resources during the construction phases.

## Mitigation: None.

**References:** Application information; General Plan Amendment No. 2007-03; Rezone No. 2007-03 – The Fruit Yard; Stanislaus County General Plan and Support Documentation<sup>1</sup>; Records search dated May 27, 2009, from the Central California Information Center; Referral response from the Native American Heritage Commission dated November 17, 2009.

VI. GEOLOGY AND SOILS Would the project:	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant With Mitigation Included	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
a) Expose people or structures to potential substantial adverse effects, including the risk of loss, injury, or death involving:			x	
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.			x	
ii) Strong seismic ground shaking?			Х	
iii) Seismic-related ground failure, including liquefaction?			х	
iv) Landslides?			Х	
b) Result in substantial soil erosion or the loss of topsoil?			Х	
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?			Х	
d) Be located on expansive soil creating substantial risks to life or property?			х	

e) Have soils incapable of adequately supporting the use of septic tanks or alternative waste water disposal systems where sewers are not available for the disposal of waste water?		x	
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**Discussion:** The soils on site are listed as Hanford fine sandy loams (0-1% and 0-3% slopes, Index Rating of 90-100, Grade 1) and Greenfield sandy loams (0-3% slopes, Index Rating of 68, Grade 2). As contained in Chapter 5 of the General Plan, the areas of the County subject to significant geologic hazard are located in the Diablo Range, west of Interstate 5. However, as per the California Building Code, all of Stanislaus County is located within a geologic hazard zone (Seismic Design Category D, E, or F) and a soils test may be required at building permit application. Results from the soils test will determine if unstable or expansive soils are present. If such soils are present, special engineering of the structure will be required to compensate for the soil deficiency. Any structures resulting from this project will be designed and built according to building standards appropriate to withstand shaking for the area in which they are constructed. Any earth moving is subject to Public Works Standards and Specifications, which considers the potential for erosion and run-off prior to permit approval. Likewise, any addition of a septic tank or alternative waste water disposal system would require the approval of the Department of Environmental Resources (DER) through the building permit process, which also takes soil type into consideration within the specific design requirements.

Stanislaus County Department of Public Works has already reviewed and approved a grading and drainage plan for the amphitheater. Additional grading and drainage plans are required to be submitted to the Department of Public Works for review and approval for any additional grading activities, which will be reflected as a Condition of Approval for the project.

## Mitigation: None.

**References:** Application information; General Plan Amendment No. 2007-03; Rezone No. 2007-03 – The Fruit Yard; California Building Code (2016); Stanislaus County General Plan and Support Documentation - Safety Element<sup>1</sup>.

VII. GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS Would the project:	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant With Mitigation Included	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
a) Generate greenhouse gas emissions, either directly or indirectly, that may have a significant impact on the environment?			х	
b) Conflict with an applicable plan, policy or regulation adopted for the purpose of reducing the emissions of greenhouse gases?			х	

**Discussion:** The principal Greenhouse Gasses (GHGs) are carbon dioxide (CO2), methane (CH4), nitrous oxide (N2O), sulfur hexafluoride (SF6), perfluorocarbons (PFCs), hydrofluorocarbons (HCFCs), and tropospheric Ozone (O3). CO2 is the reference gas for climate change because it is the predominant greenhouse gas emitted. To account for the varying warming potential of different GHGs, GHG emissions are often quantified and reported as CO2 equivalents (CO2e). In 2006, California passed the California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006 (Assembly Bill [AB] No. 32), which requires the California Air Resources Board (ARB) design and implement emission limits, regulations and other measures, such that feasible and cost-effective statewide GHG emissions are reduced to 1990 levels by 2020.

The proposed structures are subject to the mandatory planning and design, energy efficiency, water efficiency and conservation, material conservation and resources efficiency and environmental quality measures of the California Green Building Standards (CALGreen) Code (California Code of Regulations, Title 24, Part 11). Minimal greenhouse gas emissions will occur during construction. Construction activities are considered to be less than significant as they are temporary in nature and are subject to meeting SJVAPCD standards for air quality control. Minimal greenhouse gas emissions will also be generated from additional vehicle and truck trips. At maximum capacity the amphitheater can hold 3,500 attendees. At a rate of three attendees per vehicle, the project is estimated to include a total of 1,167 additional car trips per event. There are a maximum of 12 events per year proposed as a part of this project. A referral response

received from SJVAPCD indicated that this proposed project may be subject to District Rule 9510 and subject to obtaining an AIA Application. The project will be conditioned to require that the applicant obtain this permit and any other applicable permits from the Air District prior to onset of amphitheater events. With these permits in place, and considering that the events are temporary in nature and limited in number, no significant impacts to greenhouse gas emissions occurring as a result of this project are anticipated.

### Mitigation: None.

**References:** Application information; General Plan Amendment No. 2007-03; Rezone No. 2007-03 – The Fruit Yard; Referral response received from the San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District on July 19, 2016; Stanislaus County General Plan and Support Documentation<sup>1</sup>

VIII. HAZARDS AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS Would the project:	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant With Mitigation Included	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
a) Create a significant hazard to the public or the environment through the routine transport, use, or disposal of hazardous materials?			x	
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?			x	
c) Emit hazardous emissions or handle hazardous or acutely hazardous materials, substances, or waste within one-quarter mile of an existing or proposed school?			x	
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?			x	
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?				x
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?				x
g) Impair implementation of or physically interfere with an adopted emergency response plan or emergency evacuation plan?			x	
h) Expose people or structures to a significant risk of loss, injury or death involving wildland fires, including where wildlands are adjacent to urbanized areas or where residences are intermixed with wildlands?			X	

**Discussion:** DER is responsible for overseeing hazardous materials and has not indicated any particular concerns in this area. Pesticide exposure is a risk in areas located in the vicinity of agriculture. Sources of exposure include contaminated groundwater, which is consumed and drift from spray applications. Application of sprays is strictly controlled by the Agricultural Commissioner and can only be accomplished after first obtaining permits. Spraying activities on adjacent properties will be conditioned by the Agricultural Commissioner's Office. The project site is not located within an airport land use plan or a wildlands area. The project site is not located in a very high or high fire severity zone and is located within the Stanislaus Consolidated Fire District. Standard conditions of approval regarding fire protection will be incorporated into the project.

Mitigation: None.

**References:** Application information; General Plan Amendment No. 2007-03, Rezone No. 2007-03 – The Fruit Yard; Stanislaus County General Plan and Support Documentation<sup>1</sup>.

IX. HYDROLOGY AND WATER QUALITY Would the project:	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant With Mitigation Included	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
a) Violate any water quality standards or waste discharge requirements?			x	
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)?			x	
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	
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?			x	
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?			x	
f) Otherwise substantially degrade water quality?			Х	
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 map?			x	
h) Place within a 100-year flood hazard area structures which would impede or redirect flood flows?			x	
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?			x	
j) Inundation by seiche, tsunami, or mudflow?			X	

**Discussion:** Areas subject to flooding have been identified in accordance with the Federal Emergency Management Act (FEMA). The project site is located in FEMA Flood Zone X, which includes areas determined to be outside the 0.2% annual chance floodplains. All flood zone requirements will be addressed by the Building Permits Division during the building permit process. The Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board (RWQCB) provided an early consultation referral response requesting that the applicant coordinate with their agency to determine if any permits or Water Board requirements must be obtained/met prior to operation. Conditions of approval will be added to the project requiring the applicant comply with this request prior to issuance of a building permit.

A Grading and Drainage Plan for the amphitheater has already been reviewed and approved by the Public Works Department.

The California Safe Drinking Water Act (CA Health and Safety Code Section 116275(h)) defines a Public Water System as a system for the provision of water for human consumption through pipes or other constructed conveyances that has 15 or more service connections or regularly serves at least 25 individuals daily at least 60 days out of the year. A public water system includes the following:

(1) Any collection, treatment, storage, and distribution facilities under control of the operator of the system that are used primarily in connection with the system.

(2) Any collection or pretreatment storage facilities not under the control of the operator that are used primarily in connection with the system.

(3) Any water system that treats water on behalf of one or more public water systems for the purpose of rendering it safe for human consumption.

This project is subject to the public water system permit and will be required to work with DER to ensure these permit requirements are met. This will be applied to the project as a condition of approval.

Mitigation: None.

**References:** Application information; General Plan Amendment No. 2007-03; Rezone No. 2007-03 – The Fruit Yard; Referral response from Stanislaus County Department of Public Works dated November 12, 2009; Stanislaus County General Plan and Support Documentation<sup>1</sup>.

X. LAND USE AND PLANNING Would the project:	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant With Mitigation Included	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
a) Physically divide an established community?			Х	
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?			x	
c) Conflict with any applicable habitat conservation plan or natural community conservation plan?			Х	

**Discussion:** This is a request to expand an existing Planned Development (PD-317) with an outdoor, fenced, 3,500 person capacity amphitheater event center; a 5,000 square-foot amphitheater concrete stage with a 5,000 square-foot roof structure; a 4,000 square-foot storage building and parking lot adjacent and to the rear of the stage, and an additional 1,302-space temporary parking area, north and south of the amphitheater and east of the park. A maximum of 12 amphitheater events are proposed to take place per year, ending at 10:00 p.m. Sunday through Thursday, or 11:00 p.m. Friday and Saturday. This Use Permit also includes a request to construct a covered seating area of approximately 4,800 square-feet and a 1,600 square-foot gazebo in the eastern half of the existing park area, east of the outdoor amphitheater and replacement of the existing pylon identification freestanding pole sign to an electronic reader board sign.

The Planned Development approved for this project, by the Board of Supervisors on August 19, 2008, allowed for the development of a 9,000 square-foot banquet facility, a new convenience market, relocation of an existing gas station, relocation of the existing "card lock" fueling facility and construction of a 3,000 square-foot retail shell building, which includes a drive-through establishment of unknown type. The planned development also permitted a 322 space boat/RV mini storage (both covered and uncovered spaces), a 66 space travel trailer park for short term (overnight) stays, a two acre site for retail tractor (large agricultural equipment) sales, and a new facility for fruit packing and warehousing. A time

extension approved by the Planning Commission on December 3, 2015, allowed the Planned Development schedule to extend out to August 19, 2030, to start construction of any one of the project phases. The Planned Development also permitted occasional outdoor special events to be held on-site, near and on the nine acre park area, including fund raising activities to private parties.

Although the approved Planned Development already included events to be held both in the park and in the future banquet hall, the Planned Development included a condition of approval which required that prior to the use of amplified music for these events, a Noise Analysis must be completed. Accordingly, the Noise Analysis and associated mitigation measures prepared for this project, cover amplified music events in the amphitheater, banquet hall, and park.

In accordance with Section 21.40.080 amendments to the development plan may be permitted in accordance with the procedure set forth with the processing of a use permit, provided they are not of such a size or nature as to change the character of the development plan.

This request will not physically divide an existing community, nor does it conflict with any applicable land use plan, policy, or regulation, or any habitat or natural community conservation plan. The project must be consistent with the county's general plan, zoning ordinance, and noise ordinance in order to be approved. Through the application of mitigation measures, the project will be consistent will these policies.

### Mitigation: None.

**References:** Application information; General Plan Amendment No. 2007-03; Rezone No. 2007-03 – The Fruit Yard; Stanislaus County General Plan and Support Documentation<sup>1</sup>.

XI. MINERAL RESOURCES Would the project:	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant With Mitigation Included	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
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?			x	
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?			x	

**Discussion:** The location of all commercially viable mineral resources in Stanislaus County has been mapped by the State Division of Mines and Geology in Special Report 173. There are no known significant resources on the site.

### Mitigation: None.

**References:** State Division of Mining & Geology - Special Report 173 (1993); Stanislaus County General Plan and Support Documentation<sup>1</sup>.

XII. NOISE Would the project result in:	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant With Mitigation Included	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
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?		X		
b) Exposure of persons to or generation of excessive groundborne vibration or groundborne noise levels?		x		
c) A substantial permanent increase in ambient noise levels in the project vicinity above levels existing without the project?			x	
d) A substantial temporary or periodic increase in ambient noise levels in the project vicinity above levels existing without the project?		x		
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?				x

f) For a project within the vicinity of a private airstrip, would the project expose people residing or working in the		x
project area to excessive noise levels?		

**Discussion:** This project proposes to hold a maximum of 12 amphitheater events per year, ending at 10:00 p.m. Sunday through Thursday, or 11:00 p.m. Friday and Saturday. The Stanislaus County General Plan<sup>1</sup> identifies noise levels up to 75 dB  $L_{dn}$  (or CNEL) as the normally acceptable level of noise for industrial, manufacturing, utility and agricultural uses; and up to 70 dB  $L_{dn}$  (or CNEL) as the normally acceptable level of noise for auditoriums, concert halls, and amphitheaters. Without mitigation in place, noise impacts associated with the use of amplified sound during the amphitheater events have the potential to exceed the normally acceptable levels of noise.

An Environmental Noise Analysis, conducted by Bollard Acoustical Consultants, Inc., dated February 3, 2016, was conducted for the project. This study was peer reviewed by J.C. Brennan and Associates and was subsequently amended on December 28, 2016, based on peer review comments. The amended Environmental Noise Analysis incorporated comments received by J.C. Brennan and Associates. J.C. Brennan and Associates reviewed the amended document and determined that it adequately covered all of the concerns they had included in their original peer review response. The revised Environmental Noise Analysis provided a number of recommendations for mitigation measures to be incorporated into the project, ranging from on-going sound monitoring, limits on hours of operation, and methods for corrective actions, to ensure the project meets the noise limits identified both in the Stanislaus County Noise Element of the General Plan and the Noise Ordinance.

The previous general plan amendment and rezone for the project (P-D 317) included a condition of approval which required that, "An acoustical analysis shall be prepared in accordance with the Noise Element of the Stanislaus County General Plan prior to any outdoor use of amplified sound or blasting devices to insure noise levels do not exceed the maximum allowable noise levels as allowed by the Noise Element". To address this condition of approval, the use of amplified sound at the park and banquet hall have been incorporated into the mitigation monitoring plan.

With mitigation measures in place, this project's noise impacts are considered to be less than significant with mitigation included. (see Mitigation Measures 2-14 below.)

The site is not located within an airport land use plan.

No. 2 Mitigation Measure:	Prior to onset of any amplified music events at the amphitheater, a noise berm shall be constructed. Specifically, the noise berm shall consist of a 100 foot long by 40 foot wide and 20 foot tall building, labeled on the Planning Commission approved project site plan as a "storage building" to be located directly behind (northwest) of the stage, as identified on the project site plan. A certificate of occupancy shall be obtained for the noise berm prior to the onset of any amphitheater activity. If the storage building changes in size or shape, or is proposed to be replaced with a backstage soundwall or other construction to create an adequate noise berm, the modified facility will need to be reviewed and approved by an acoustical consultant, in accordance with Mitigation Measure No. 14, and a determination made that it has adequate sound dampening characteristics so that sound will fall within the noise levels described within this Mitigation Monitoring Plan.
No. 3 Mitigation Measure:	Prior to issuance of a building permit for the banquet hall, and prior to onset of any amplified music event held at the banquet hall, the banquet hall shall be designed and constructed with sound proofing (including sound proofing for the roof, windows, and walls). Sound proofing plans shall be reviewed for full compliance with the approved plans by a noise consultant, as described in Mitigation Measure No. 14.
No. 4 Mitigation Measure:	All amphitheater, park, and banquet hall events shall maintain the noise levels described in Table 1 of the December 30, 2016, Environmental Noise Analysis, conducted by Bollard Acoustical Consultants, Inc., and the C-weighted standards described below:

	Table 1				
Stanislaus	County Noise Standards	Applied to this Projec	t		
After Adjustment for Elevated Ambient and Noise Source Consisting of Music					
		Adjusted Daytime Standard	Adjusted Nighttime Standard		
Receptor (See Figure 1)	Noise Metric	(7 a.m10 p.m.)	(10 p.m7 a.m.)		
A, B, D, F	Hourly Leq, dBA	60	55		
(near busy roadways)	Maximum Level (L <sub>max</sub> ), dBA	80	70		
C, E	Hourly Leq, dBA	55	50		
(setback from roadways 250-350	Maximum Level	75	65		
foot		75	65		
G, H, I	Hourly L <sub>eq</sub> , dBA	50	40		
(isolated from busy roads)	Maximum Level (Lmax), dBA	65	55		

In addition to the Table 1 standards, low-frequency noise shall be limited to daytime and nighttime C-weighted noise level limits of 80 dBC Leq and 70 dBC Leq shall be applied at the nearest residences, existing at the time of the event. These standards may be adjusted upwards or downwards as appropriate following collection of C-weighted ambient noise level data near the existing residences immediately before and after the first two large amphitheater events (with 500 or more in attendance). Before any adjustments are made, a report documenting existing C-weighted ambient noise levels shall be reviewed by a noise consultant, as described in Mitigation Measure No. 14, and

**No. 5** Mitigation Measure: To ensure compliance with County noise standards, amphitheater sound system output shall be limited to an average of 90 dBA Leq averaged over a five minute period and a maximum of 100 dBA Lmax at a position located 100 feet from the amphitheater stage.

approved by the Planning Department.

Park and banquet hall sound system output shall be limited to an average of 75 dBA Leq averaged over a 5-minute period and a maximum of 85 dBA Lmax at a position located 100 feet from the sound system speakers. Sound levels up to 80 dBA Leq at the 100 foot reference distance would be acceptable provided the sound system speakers are oriented south or southwest.

Noise measurements during the first two amplified music events for each event space (banquet hall, park and amphitheater) shall be conducted by a qualified Noise Consultant to be procured by the operator/property owner. The consultant shall provide training to facility staff, on how to measure the noise standards set forth within this Mitigation Monitoring Plan, to ensure that noise is monitored during each event properly. The operator/property owner shall make available to the Planning Department noise measurements and training records, upon request by the County. Noise measurements and training records shall be subject to peer review in accordance with Mitigation Measure No. 14, upon request by the County.

**No.6 Mitigation Measure:** To control low-frequency sound in the surrounding neighborhood during amphitheater events, C-weighted sounds levels shall be limited to 100 dBC Leq averaged over a five minute period and a maximum of 110 dBC Lmax at a position located 100 feet from the Amphitheater stage. In addition, amplified music shall be limited to an average of 85 dB (Linear) in each of the 1/3 octave band center frequencies from 31.5 to 80 Hertz.

To control low-frequency sound in the surrounding neighborhood during park events, Cweighted sound levels shall be limited to 85 dBC Leq averaged over a five minute period and a maximum of 95 dBC Lmax at a position located 100 feet from the speakers. In addition, amplified music shall be limited to an average of 75 dB (Linear) in each of the 1/3 octave band center frequencies from 31.5 to 80 Hertz.

Noise measurements during the first two amplified music events for each event space (banquet hall, park, and amphitheater) shall be conducted by a qualified Noise Consultant to be procured by the operator/property owner. The consultant shall provide training to facility staff, on how to measure the noise standards set forth within this Mitigation Monitoring Plan, to ensure that noise is monitored during each event properly. The operator/property owner shall make available to the Planning Department noise measurements and training records, upon request by the County. Noise measurements and training records shall be subject to peer review in accordance with Mitigation Measure No. 14, upon request by the County.

**No. 7 Mitigation Measure:** Prior to any amplified music event at the park, banquet hall, or amphitheater the operator/property owner shall obtain a sound monitoring system; which shall be reviewed and approved by a Noise Consultant, as described in Mitigation Measure No. 14, prior to first use. Sound levels shall be monitored during sound check and during each amplified music event occurring at the park, banquet hall and amphitheater. Measurement microphones should be placed 100 feet from the midpoint of the main speaker array.

Monitoring equipment options include 1) an iOS option available in combination with an iPad/iPhone using microphone and acquisition hardware from AudioControl and software from Studio Six Digital (SSD). SSD software would include the AudioTools and several in-app purchases including SPL Graph and SPL Traffic Light; or 2) an alternative system recommended by noise consultant, in accordance with Mitigation Measure No. 14.

A Type/Class 1 or 2 (per ANSI S1.43) measurement microphone system shall be used and laboratory calibrated prior to first use and field-calibrated at regular intervals (a minimum of 4 times a year). The system shall be laboratory calibrated at intervals not exceeding two years. The system shall be capable of measuring and logging Leq statistics over consecutive five minute intervals in both A and C weighted levels. The system shall also be capable of capturing and logging 1/3-octave band data. For simplification and to minimize equipment costs, sound level limit triggers shall be set to Leq, C-weighting. The sound technician shall locally check both C-weighted and 1/3octave band results during sound check prior to an event to establish system gain limits and to ensure compliance with the specified limits. Data shall be maintained for 30 days and made available to the County upon request.

The amphitheater operator/property owner shall make it very clear to event producers what the sound level limits are at the sound stage and the time at which music is required to cease. Suitable measures shall be implemented to both ensure the limits are maintained and penalties established if producers fail to comply with the noise level limits.

Noise measurements during the first two amplified music events for each event space (banquet hall, park and amphitheater) shall be conducted by a qualified Noise Consultant to be procured by the operator/property owner. The consultant shall provide training to facility staff, on how to measure the noise standards set forth within this Mitigation

Monitoring Plan, to ensure that noise is monitored during each event properly. The operator/property owner shall make available to the Planning Department noise measurements and training records, upon request by the County. Noise measurements and training records shall be subject to peer review in accordance with Mitigation Measure No. 14, upon request by the County.

No. 8 Mitigation Measure: During the first two large concerts (with 500 or more in attendance) held at the amphitheater, noise levels shall be monitored by a qualified noise consultant, to be procured by the operator/property owner. The monitoring shall be conducted continuously from the sound stage (100-feet from stage), with periodic noise monitoring near the closest residences, existing at the time of the event, in all directions surrounding the amphitheater. The noise measurements shall include the sound check prior to the concert so the event promoters understand the noise thresholds to be satisfied during the concert event. The purpose of the measurements is to verify compliance with the project's noise standards. If the measurement results indicate that the music levels exceed the noise standards described in this Mitigation Monitoring Plan, additional sound controls shall be developed by a noise consultant in accordance with Mitigation Measure No. 14. Implementation of additional sound controls shall be implemented and verified prior to the following concert. Such measures could include reducing the overall output of the amplified sound system, relocating and/or reorienting speakers, use of acoustic curtains along the sides of the speakers to further focus the sound energy into the amphitheater seating areas, and limiting amplified music to before 10:00 p.m.

- **No. 9 Mitigation Measure:** All amplified music events (including the amphitheater, park, and banquet hall events), occurring Sunday through Thursday shall end at or before 10 p.m. All patrons shall be off the premises (including the amphitheater, park, and banquet hall events) as of 11:00 p.m. Employees and contract staff, associated with the amplified music events, shall be off the premises (including the amphitheater, park, and banquet hall events) by 12:00 a.m.
- **No. 10 Mitigation Measure:** The first two large amplified music events (with 500 or more in attendance) held at the amphitheater Friday and Saturday, shall end at or before 10:00 p.m., as described in Mitigation Measure No. 9. If monitoring results of the first two large amphitheater events show that such events are able to maintain levels at or lower than those required in this Mitigation Monitoring Plan, then amphitheater events on Friday and Saturday may be extended to 11:00 p.m. All patrons shall be off the premises (including the amphitheater, park and banquet hall events) by 12:00 a.m. Employees and contract staff, associated with the amplified music events, shall be off the premises by 1:00 a.m.
- **No. 11 Mitigation Measure:** Operator/ property owner shall establish a written "Good Neighbor Policy" to be approved by the Planning Department, which shall establish the permittee's plan to mitigate any ancillary impacts from amplified music events (park, banquet hall or amphitheater) on surrounding properties. The plan shall include means for neighbors to contact management regarding complaints and steps management will take upon receiving a complaint. The policy shall be submitted and approved 30 days prior to the first amplified music event. No changes to the policy shall be made without prior review and approval by the Planning Department.
- **No. 12 Mitigation Measure:** In the event that documented noise complaints are received for bass thumping, microphones/public address systems, etc., associated with any use of the property (inclusive of parcels 1-3, 7-12, and the remainder of parcel map 56-PM-083), such complaints shall be investigated to determine if the noise standards contained in this mitigation monitoring program were exceeded. In the event that the complaint investigation reveals that the noise standards were exceeded at the location where the complaint was received, additional sound controls shall be developed by a noise consultant, in accordance with Mitigation Measure No. 14. Implementation of additional

sound controls shall be implemented and verified prior to the following concert. Such measures could include reducing the overall output of the amplified sound system, relocating and/or reorienting speakers, use of acoustic curtains along the sides of the speakers to further focus the sound energy into the amphitheater seating areas and limiting amplified music to before 10:00 p.m.

**No. 13 Mitigation Measure:** Following removal of orchard trees located on the project site (inclusive of parcels 1-3, 7-12, and the remainder of parcel map 56-PM-083) potential changes in noise impacts shall be evaluated by a noise consultant, as described in Mitigation Measure No. 14, and additional noise mitigation measures shall be implemented, if determined to be necessary, to ensure compliance with the applicable County noise standards.

**No. 14 Mitigation Measure:** Any future additional noise analysis required to be conducted, including review, acceptance, and/or inspection associated with noise mitigation, shall be conducted by a noise consultant, whose contract shall be procured by the Planning Department, and paid for by the operator/property owner. A deposit based on actual cost shall be made with the Planning Department, by the operator/property owner, prior to any work being conducted. The applicant may choose to procure the noise consultant provided they pay the costs for the County to have all work peer reviewed by a third party. If future noise analysis is required, amplified music events will be limited, as determined by the Planning Department, until the noise consultant verifies to the Planning Department that all recommended noise control measures have been completely implemented.

**References:** Application information; General Plan Amendment No. 2007-03; Rezone No. 2007-03 – The Fruit Yard; Environmental Noise Analysis, prepared by Bollard Acoustical Consultants, Inc., dated February 3, 2016, revised December 30, 2016; Peer review response, prepared by J.C. Brennan & Associates, dated November 15, 2016; An e-mail dated January 10, 2017; Stanislaus County General Plan and Support Documentation<sup>1</sup>.

XIII. POPULATION AND HOUSING Would the project:	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant With Mitigation Included	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
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)?			X	
b) Displace substantial numbers of existing housing, necessitating the construction of replacement housing elsewhere?			х	
c) Displace substantial numbers of people, necessitating the construction of replacement housing elsewhere?			х	

**Discussion:** The proposed use of the site will not create significant service extensions or new infrastructure which could be considered as growth inducing. No housing or persons will be displaced by this project. As the project site is surrounded by agricultural land, it is unlikely that residential development will occur due to the fact that County voters passed the Measure E vote in February of 2008. Measure E, which was incorporated into Zoning Ordinance Chapter 21.118 (the 30-Year Land Use Restriction), requires that redesignation or rezoning of land from agricultural/open space to residential use shall require approval by a majority vote of the County voters at a general or special local election.

Mitigation: None.

**References:** Stanislaus County Zoning Ordinance; Stanislaus County General Plan and Support Documentation<sup>1</sup>.

XIV. PUBLIC SERVICES	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant With Mitigation Included	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
a) Would the project result in the 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:			x	
Fire protection?			Х	
Police protection?		X		
Schools?			Х	
Parks?			Х	
Other public facilities?			Х	

**Discussion:** The County has adopted Public Facilities Fees, as well as one for the Fire Facility Fees on behalf of the appropriate fire district, to address impacts to public services. Such fees are required to be paid at the time of building permit issuance. Conditions of approval will be added to this project to insure that the proposed development complies with all applicable fire department standards with respect to access and water for fire protection. The types of Conditions of approval will be for adequate turning around for a fire apparatus and on-site water supply for fire suppression may also be needed. The applicant will construct all buildings in accordance with the current adopted building and fire codes.

To address potential impacts to police protection services a mitigation measure has been incorporated into the project, which requires that the operator submit a security plan for amplified music events to the Sheriff for review and approval, prior to onset of the events. With mitigation in place impacts from the project on public services is considered to be less than significant with mitigation included.

**No. 15 Mitigation Measure:** Within sixty (60) days of project Use Permit approval, the operator/property owner shall submit for approval a security plan for amplified music events (park, banquet hall or amphitheater) to the Sheriff's Department. The plan shall be approved prior to any use of the amphitheater. Any changes to the security plan shall be approved by the Sheriff's Department.

**References:** Application information; Stanislaus County General Plan and Support Documentation<sup>1</sup>

XV. RECREATION	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant With Mitigation Included	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
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?			X	
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?			Х	

**Discussion:** The proposed project is not anticipated to significantly increase demand on recreational facilities or to have an adverse physical effect on the environment. Although not a part of this project request, the existing gas stations, produce market, restaurant and park are open to the public during specified hours. The amphitheater, park and banquet hall all hold special events which are for ticket holders or invitees only. Land use permission for the amphitheater only, is part of this Use Permit request.

Mitigation: None.

**References:** Application information; General Plan Amendment No. 2007-03; Rezone No. 2007-03 – The Fruit Yard; Stanislaus County General Plan and Support Documentation<sup>1</sup>.

XVI TRANSPORATION/TRAFFIC Would the preject:	Potentially	Less Than	Less Than	No Impact
XVI. TRANSPORATION/TRAFFIC Would the project:	Significant	Significant	Significant	no impuor
	Impact	With Mitigation Included	Impact	
a) Conflict with an applicable plan, ordinance or policy		monuuou		
establishing measures of effectiveness for the				
performance of the circulation system, taking into account				
all modes of transportation including mass transit and		x		
non-motorized travel and relevant components of the				
circulation system, including but not limited to				
intersections, streets, highways and freeways, pedestrian and bicycle paths, and mass transit?				
b) Conflict with an applicable congestion management				
program, including, but not limited to level of service				
standards and travel demand measures, or other		x		
standards 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		X		
results in substantial safety risks?				
d) Substantially increase hazards due to a design feature		×		
(e.g., sharp curves or dangerous intersections) or		X		
incompatible uses (e.g., farm equipment)? e) Result in inadequate emergency access?		x		
f) Conflict with adopted policies, plans, or programs		^		
regarding public transit, bicycle, or pedestrian facilities, or				
otherwise decrease the performance or safety of such		X		
facilities?				

A Traffic Impact Analysis for the 2007 Planned Development project (P-D 317) was prepared by KD Discussion: Anderson & Associates, Inc., dated December 6, 2007. A Supplemental Traffic Impact Analysis, prepared by Pinnacle Traffic Engineering, dated February 5, 2016, was prepared for this current project and was circulated as part of an early consultation to the Stanislaus County Public Works Department and the California Department of Transportation (CalTrans). The analysis evaluated traffic impacts from the amphitheater events with worse-case scenario factors, which included the site at full Planned Development build out and traffic impacts to the intersection of Geer Road and Yosemite Boulevard (Hwy 132). CalTrans provided a response requesting that the Traffic Impact Analysis be amended. The applicant then worked with Caltrans to address their comments, and provided clarification that although the existing and approved uses for the Planned Development were considered in the Traffic Impact Analysis, that the other uses listed in the study were already approved and that amphitheater events were the only traffic generating part included in this project request. Ultimately, Caltrans agreed with the assessment of the project's traffic impacts provided in the report and requested the addition of a left turn lane extension in front of the project site on Highway 132 to the second main driveway accessing the amphitheater to increase traffic safety during amphitheater events. This has been incorporated into the project as a mitigation measure. Additionally, mitigation has been applied to the project to require that the payment of traffic impacts fees and that a traffic management plan for amphitheater events is submitted to the Department of Public Works for review and approval.

### No. 16 Mitigation Measure:

Prior to issuance of a building permit, all applicable traffic impact fees shall be paid to the Department of Public Works.

**No. 17 Mitigation Measure:** An Event Traffic Management Plan shall be submitted and approved four weeks prior to holding the first event at the amphitheater. Both County Planning and Public Works shall review and approve the plan.

- a. The Event Traffic Management Plan shall include a westbound left turn lane from Highway 132 to the fourth `driveway from the intersection (at Geer and Highway 132);
- b. This plan shall include all event traffic circulation into and out of the site, including a description of how the different on-site parking areas will be filled;
- c. Event Staff and signs shall not be in the State or Stanislaus County Right-of-way without an encroachment permit. This shall be addressed as part of the Event Traffic Management Plan. Each individual event shall have an encroachment permit from both the State and Stanislaus County, if applicable;
- d. If the Event Traffic Management Plan requires updating, the updates shall be accepted both by County Planning and by Public Works, six weeks prior to the next event being held at the amphitheater. This update can be triggered either by the applicant or by Stanislaus County;
- e. Fees may be collected for amphitheater event parking, provided no queuing of vehicles occurs. Parking fees may be collected as part of the fee collected for the price of the ticket for the event, or may be collected at a stationary electronic machine, installed in the parking area. Parking fees may not be collected while vehicles are waiting to enter the parking lot;
- f. Prior to the implementation or construction of any additional phases of the approved Plan Development No. 317, a revised Event Traffic Management Plan shall be submitted to and approved by County Planning and Public Works;
- g. A left turn lane shall be installed on Geer Road for the driveway into the project labeled as D Drive. The plans shall be completed prior to the approval of the Event Traffic Management Plan. This driveway is roughly 575 feet south of the intersection of Geer Road and Yosemite Blvd;
  - *i.* Improvement plans are to be submitted to County Public Works for approval. These improvement plans shall meet standards set forth within the Stanislaus County Standards and Specifications and the Caltrans Highway Design Manual;
  - *ii.* An acceptable financial guarantee for the road improvements shall be provided to County Public Works prior to the approval of the Event Traffic Management Plan;
  - iii. An Engineer's Estimate shall be provided for the road improvements so that the amount of the financial guarantee can be determined;
  - *iv.* The left turn lane shall be installed before the first event is held at the amphitheater.

**References:** Traffic Impact Analysis prepared by KD Anderson & Associates, Inc., dated November 23, 2016; Supplemental Traffic Impact Analysis, prepared by Pinnacle Traffic Engineering, dated February 5, 2016; Referral response from California Department of Transportation (CalTrans) dated September 14, 2016, and an email dated November 29, 2016; Stanislaus County General Plan and Support Documentation<sup>1</sup>.

XVII. UTILITIES AND SERVICE SYSTEMS Would the project:	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant With Mitigation Included	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
a) Exceed wastewater treatment requirements of the applicable Regional Water Quality Control Board?			х	
b) Require or result in the construction of new water or wastewater treatment facilities or expansion of existing facilities, the construction of which could cause significant environmental effects?			X	

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?	x	
d) Have sufficient water supplies available to serve the project from existing entitlements and resources, or are new or expanded entitlements needed?	x	
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?	x	
f) Be served by a landfill with sufficient permitted capacity to accommodate the project's solid waste disposal needs?	X	
g) Comply with federal, state, and local statutes and regulations related to solid waste?	X	

**Discussion:** Limitations on providing services have not been identified. Conditions of approval will be added to the project to address necessary permits from DER. On-site services will be provided by an approved septic system and water well as determined by DER. A public water system permit will be required to be obtained through DER.

Mitigation: None.

**References:** Application information; Stanislaus County General Plan and Support Documentation<sup>1</sup>.

XVIII. MANDATORY FINDINGS OF SIGNIFICANCE	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant With Mitigation Included	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
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?			x	
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.)			x	
c) Does the project have environmental effects which will cause substantial adverse effects on human beings, either directly or indirectly?		x		

**Discussion:** Review of this project has not indicated any features which might significantly impact the environmental quality of the site and/or the surrounding area. Any potential impacts from this project have been mitigated to a level of less than significant.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup><u>Stanislaus County General Plan and Support Documentation</u> adopted on August 23, 2016. *Housing Element* adopted on April 5, 2016.



# STANISLAUS COUNTY ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW COMMITTEE REFERRAL RESPONSE FORM

TO: Stanislaus County Planning & Community Development

FROM: Department of Environmental Resources

SUBJECT: ENVIRONMENTAL REFERRAL- USE PERMIT APPLICATION NO. PLN2015-0130 – THE FRUIT YARD AMPHITHEATER

Based on this agency's particular field(s) of expertise, it is our position the project described above:

Will not have a significant effect on the environment.

\_X\_ May have a significant effect on the environment.

No Comments.

Listed below are specific impacts which support our determination (e.g., traffic general, carrying capacity, soil types, air quality, etc.) - (attach additional sheet if necessary)

1. The onsite water system's nitrate level is currently showing an upward trend.

Listed below are possible mitigation measures for the above-listed impacts: *PLEASE BE SURE* TO INCLUDE WHEN THE MITIGATION OR CONDITION NEEDS TO BE IMPLEMENTED (PRIOR TO

RECORDING A MAP, PRIOR TO ISSUANCE OF A BUILDING PERMIT, ETC.):

1- Onsite Wastewater Disposal System (O.W.T.S.)

Due to the level of the nitrates in the existing water system being higher than half of the maximum MCL, any expansion of the onsite waste water system (OWTS) can contribute to groundwater nitrate levels especially with individual OWTS.

Wastewater management plan of this project must be reviewed and approved by the Department of Environmental Resources.

Any flow of 5,000 gallons per day, or greater, must be submitted to the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board (CVRWQCB) for review and approval. Any flow less than 5,000 gallon per day, must submit to this Department. A centralized OWTS will be highly recommended with proper treatment of the discharged effluent. The quality of the discharged effluent shall meet EPA Secondary Treatment Guidelines. The focus will be on the ability to reduce nitrate, salt, and organic chemical levels, minimizing the impact upon the area's groundwater

In addition, our agency has the following comments (attach additional sheets if necessary).

# 2- Public Water System

• Prior to modification or installation of any water infrastructure for the Amphitheater, the property owner shall provide to the Department of Environmental Resources an application for amended water supply permit along with a full technical report demonstrating that the water system will meet all requirements of a Nontransient Noncommunity Water System: capacity, source water, drinking water source assessment, water works standards, and the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

# 3- Retail Food Facility

• All food service offered at the Fruit Yard Complex including but not limited to the Amphitheater events area, Banquet Hall, Restaurant and Convenience stores shall be conducted in compliance with the requirements of <u>California Retail Food Code</u>.

• Each retail food facility must operate under a health permit issued by the Department of Environmental Resources.

• Prior to issuance of any building permit for the construction of the preparation and serving kitchen in the banquet hall, the owner/operator shall provide construction plans to the Department of Environmental Resources for review and approval as required in accordance with California Health and Safety Code: Retail Food Code.

Response prepared by:

Date: April 6, 2017

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# RE: Use Permit Application No. PLN2015-0130 APN: 009-027-004 (7924 & 7948 Yosemite Blvd)

Thank you for allowing the District to comment on this referral. Following are the recommendations from our Electrical, Irrigation and Domestic Water Divisions:

# **Irrigation**

- Modesto Irrigation District's Irrigation Operations staff has no objection to the proposed expansion of The Fruit Yard. Irrigation Operations staff comments dated August 20, 2015 regarding the development were:
- According to the Stanislaus County Staff Approval Application No. PLN2005-0064, the proposed project is subject to the original approved conditions of approval for P-D 317 (GPA 2007-03). MID's Irrigation Operations staff comments dated May 31, 2007 regarding the development of the above noted parcel were:
  - Prior to development of Phase 2 or Phase 3, a six (6) foot tall solid masonry wall or MID pre-approved equivalent, is required along the south property line of the Applicant's property adjacent to MID Lateral No. 1.
  - There is an existing private pipeline that lies within the above noted parcel. Should the proposed project impact or otherwise alter the existing private infrastructure, MID recommends the Applicant consult with those who are served by the existing private pipeline.
- Irrigation Operations staff recommends a pre-consultation meeting to discuss MID irrigation requirements.

# **Domestic Water**

No Comments at this time.

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# Electrical

- The attached map shows the approximate location of the District's existing electrical facilities.
- In conjunction with related site/road improvement requirements, existing overhead and underground electric facilities within or adjacent to the proposed site shall be protected, relocated or removed as required by the District's Electric Engineering Department. Appropriate easements for electric facilities shall be granted as required.
- Relocation or Installation of electric facilities shall conform to the District's Electric Service Rules.
- Costs for relocation or installation of MID electrical facilities at the request of others will be borne by the requesting party. Estimates for relocating or installing MID electrical facilities will be supplied upon request.
- A 15' PUE is required adjacent to the existing 12,000 volt overhead lines along the Geer street frontage. The easement is required in order to protect the existing overhead electric facilities and maintain necessary safety clearances.
- A 10' PUE is required adjacent to existing street frontages, proposed streets and private ingress/egress easements as already shown on the attached Parcel Map. The Public Utility easements are required in order to protect the future electrical facilities and maintain necessary safety clearances.
- Contractor shall verify actual depth and location of all underground utilities prior to start of construction. Notify "Underground Service Alert" (USA) (Toll Free 800-227-2600) before trenching, grading, excavating, drilling, pipe pushing, tree planting, post-hole digging, etc. USA will mark the location of the MID underground electrical facilities.
- The Modesto Irrigation District reserves its future right to utilize its property along the MID canal in a manner it deems necessary for the installation and maintenance of electric and telecommunication facilities. These needs, which have not yet been determined, may consist of new poles, cross arms, wires, cables, braces, insulators, transformers, service lines, control structures and any necessary appurtenances, as may, in the District's opinion, be necessary or desirable.
- A 10 ft. OSHA minimum approach distance is required adjacent to the existing 12,000 volt overhead high voltage lines.
- A 8 ft. minimum vertical approach distance is required adjacent to the existing overhead 220 volt secondary lines.
- Use extreme caution when operating heavy equipment, backhoes, using a crane, ladders or any other type of equipment near overhead or underground MID electric lines and cables.

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• Electric service to the proposed parcels is not available at this time. The Electric Engineering Department has no objections to the proposed amphitheater at this time. Specific requirements regarding construction issues will be addressed when the amphitheater construction plans are submitted for review to the District's Electric Engineering Design Department. Contact Linh Nguyen at (209) 526-7438.

The Modesto Irrigation District reserves its future rights to utilize its property, including its canal and electrical easements and rights-of-way, in a manner it deems necessary for the installation and maintenance of electric, irrigation, agricultural and urban drainage, domestic water and telecommunication facilities. These needs, which have not yet been determined, may consist of poles, crossarms, wires, cables, braces, insulators, transformers, service lines, open channels, pipelines, control structures and any necessary appurtenances, as may, in District's opinion, be necessary or desirable.

If you have any questions, please contact me at 526-7447.

Sincerely,

Lien Campbell Risk & Property Analyst

Copy: Associated Engineering Group 4206 Technology Dr Ste 4 Modesto, CA 95356-8769

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# Kristin Doud - RE: The Fruit Yard

From:	Tim Spears <tspears@scfpd.us></tspears@scfpd.us>
To:	Kristin Doud <doudk@stancounty.com></doudk@stancounty.com>
Date:	4/6/2017 11:02 AM
Subject:	RE: The Fruit Yard
CC:	Michael Wapnowski <mwapnowski@scfpd.us></mwapnowski@scfpd.us>

Hi Kristin,

The Fire District would request to review the traffic management plan to see how the traffic may impact our response in an out of this area and what mitigation measures they will be implementing. Also all proposed structures must meet all applicable building and fire codes and be submitted for review.

Please let me know if you have any further questions.

Tim Spears Fire Marshal Stanislaus Consolidated Fire Protection District 3324 Topeka Street Riverbank, CA 95367 (209)869-7470 Www.scfpd.us "Accepting the Challenge"

From: Kristin Doud [<u>doudk@stancounty.com</u>] Sent: Tuesday, April 04, 2017 11:11 AM To: Tim Spears <tspears@scfpd.us> Subject: RE: The Fruit Yard

Yes, they scheduled it for 4/20 and my staff report was due last Monday. So I am definitely in a bit of a time crunch.

Kristin C. Doud Senior Planner Planning & Community Development 1010 10th Street, Suite 3400 Modesto, CA 95354 Phone: 209.525.6330 FAX: 209.525.5911 email: <u>doudk@stancounty.com</u>

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>>> Tim Spears <<u>tspears@scfpd.us</u>> 4/4/2017 11:06 AM >>>

Hi Kristin,

We will likely have comments to add. According to the CEQA letter we had until 4/10. Did you need it sooner?

Tim

From: Kristin Doud [mailto:doudk@stancounty.com] Sent: Tuesday, April 04, 2017 11:04 AM To: Tim Spears Subject: The Fruit Yard

Tim - Does Fire have any comments for the Fruit Yard project? See the project referral at the following link: <u>http://www.stancounty.com/planning/pl/documents/PLN2015-0130\_30Day.pdf</u>

The Staff Report is almost completed so if you have any conditions please send them ASAP. It is within the Stanislaus Consolidated Fire District. APN: <u>009-027-004</u>.

Thank you!

Kristin C. Doud Senior Planner Planning & Community Development 1010 10th Street, Suite 3400 Modesto, CA 95354 Phone: 209.525.6330 FAX: 209.525.5911 email: <u>doudk@stancounty.com</u>

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# STANISLAUS COUNTY ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW COMMITTEE

April 10, 2017

Kristin Doud, Associate Planner Stanislaus County Planning & Community Development 1010 10<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 3400 Modesto, CA 95354

# SUBJECT: ENVIRONMENTAL REFERRAL – THE FRUIT YARD AMPHITHEATER – USE PERMIT APPLICATION NO. PLN2015-0130 – INITIAL STUDY AND NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION

Ms. Doud:

Thank you for the opportunity to review the above-referenced project.

The Stanislaus County Environmental Review Committee (ERC) has reviewed the subject project and has no comments at this time.

The ERC appreciates the opportunity to comment on this project.

Sincerely,

Patrick Cavanah Management Consultant Environmental Review Committee

PC:ss

cc: ERC Members





# DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

Matt Machado, PE, LS Director, County Surveyor

Chris Brady, PE Deputy Director - Design/Survey/Fleet Maintenance

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Assistant Director - Finance/HR/Transit

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February 10, 2017

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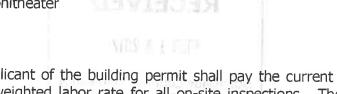
To:Miguel Galvez, Deputy Director, Planning and Community DevelopmentFrom:Angle Halverson, Senior Land Development Coordinator

Subject: PLN2015-0130 Fruit Yard Amphitheater Use Permit

This is a request to amend an approved Planned Development (P-D 137) that authorized the development plan and schedule for the Fruit Yard. This includes the development of a banquet facility, relocation of the gas station and convenience market, relocation of the existing card lock fueling facility, a retain shell building, 322 space RV and vehicle storage, a 66 space travel trailer park, a two acre retail truck sales site, a new facility for fruit packing, and occasional outdoor special events. This use permit is proposing establishing a 3,500 person capacity amphitheater with a 5,000 square foot stage, a 4,000 square foot storage structure, 1,302 additional parking spaces, and vehicular access to temporary parking lots, covered seating area and a gazebo in the existing park area, and a new pole sign for the site. Public Works applies the following conditions:

- 1. No parking, loading or unloading of vehicles will be permitted within the Geer Road right-of-way. The applicant will be required to install or pay for the installation of any signs and/or markings, coordinating the installation of the signs with Public Works Traffic Section.
- A grading, drainage, and erosion/sediment control plan for the project site shall be submitted before any grading or building permit for the site is issued that creates a new or bigger building footprint on this parcel. Public Works will review and approve the drainage calculations. The grading and drainage plan shall include the following information:
  - The plan shall contain enough information to verify that all runoff will be kept from going onto adjacent properties and Stanislaus County road right-of-way.
  - The grading drainage and erosion/sediment control plan shall comply with the current State of California National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) General Construction Permit.
  - The grading, drainage, and associated work shall be accepted by Stanislaus County Public Works prior to a final inspection or occupancy, as required by the building permit.
  - The applicant of the building permit shall pay the current Stanislaus County Public Works weighted labor rate for the plan review of the building and/or grading plan.

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• The applicant of the building permit shall pay the current Stanislaus County Public Works weighted labor rate for all on-site inspections. The Public Works inspector shall be contacted 48 hours prior to the commencement of any grading or drainage work on-site.

# MITIGATION MEASURE

To facilitate the safety of the traveling public attending an event at the amphitheater, the following mitigation measures shall be in place:

- 1. An approved Event Traffic Management Plan shall be submitted and approved 6 weeks prior to holding the first event at the amphitheater. Both Stanislaus County Planning and Community Development and Public Works Departments shall review and approve the plan.
  - a. The Event Traffic Management Plan shall include a westbound left turn lane from Highway 132 to the fourth driveway from the intersection (at Geer and Highway 132.)
  - b. This plan shall include all event traffic circulation into and out of the site, including a description of how the different on-site parking areas will be filled.
  - c. Event Staff and signs shall not be in the State or Stanislaus County Right of Way without an encroachment permit. This shall be addressed as part of the Event Traffic Management Plan. Each individual event shall have an encroachment permit from both the State and Stanislaus County, if applicable.
  - d. If the Event Traffic Management Plan requires updating, the updates shall be accepted both the State and the County six weeks prior to the next event being held at the Amphitheater. This update can be triggered either by the applicant or Stanislaus County.
  - e. Fee may be collected for event parking if vehicular queuing does not occur. If queuing does occur, electronic stationary parking fee collection machines shall be installed in the parking area or parking fees shall cease to be collected.
  - f. Prior to the implementation or construction of any additional phases of the approved Plan Development No. 317, a revise Event Traffic Management Plan shall be submitted to and approved by Stanislaus County Planning and Community Development Departments and Public Works.
  - g. A left turn lane shall be installed on Geer for the driveway into the project labeled as D Drive. The plans shall be completed prior to the approval of the Event Traffic Management Plan. This driveway is roughly 575 feet south of the intersection of Geer Road and Yosemite Boulevard.
    - i. Improvement plans are to be submitted to this department for approval. These improvements plans shall meet Stanislaus County Standards and Specifications and the Caltrans Highway Design Manual.
    - ii. An acceptable financial guarantee for the road improvements shall be provided to the Department of Public Works prior to the approval of the Event Traffic Management Plan.

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- iii. An Engineer's Estimate shall be provided for the road improvements so that the amount of the financial guarantee can be determined.
- iv. The left turn lane shall be installed before the first event is held at the amphitheater site.
- 2. Prior to issuance of a building permit, all applicable traffic impact fees shall be paid to the Department of Public Works.



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Edmund G. Brown Jr. Governor

April 10, 2017

Kristin Doud Stanisłaus County 1010 10th Street, Suite 3400 Modesto, CA 95354

Subject: Use Permit Application No. PLN2015-0130 - The Fruit Yard Amphitheater SCH#: 2016072019

Dear Kristin Doud:

The State Clearinghouse submitted the above named Mitigated Negative Declaration to selected state agencies for review. On the enclosed Document Details Report please note that the Clearinghouse has listed the state agencies that reviewed your document. The review period closed on April 7, 2017, and the comments from the responding agency (ies) is (are) enclosed. If this comment package is not in order, please notify the State Clearinghouse immediately. Please refer to the project's ten-digit State Clearinghouse in future correspondence so that we may respond promptly.

Please note that Section 21104(c) of the California Public Resources Code states that:

"A responsible or other public agency shall only make substantive comments regarding those activities involved in a project which are within an area of expertise of the agency or which are required to be carried out or approved by the agency. Those comments shall be supported by specific documentation."

These comments are forwarded for use in preparing your final environmental document. Should you need more information or clarification of the enclosed comments, we recommend that you contact the commenting agency directly.

This letter acknowledges that you have complied with the State Clearinghouse review requirements for draft environmental documents, pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act. Please contact the State Clearinghouse at (916) 445-0613 if you have any questions regarding the environmental review process.

Sincerely,

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Scott Morgan Director, State Clearinghouse

Enclosures cc: Resources Agency

> 1400 TENTH STREET P.O. BOX 3044 SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA 95812-3044 TEL (916) 445-0613 FAX (916) 323-3018 www.opr.ca.gov

# Document Details Report State Clearinghouse Data Base

SCH# Project Title Lead Agency	2016072019 Use Permit Application No. PLN2015-0130 - The Fruit Yard Amphitheater Stanislaus County				
Туре	MND Mitigated Negative Declaration				
Description	Request to amend P-D (317) to establish a 3,500 capacity outdoor amphitheater facility along with an additional 1,302-space temporary parking lot on 45 acre parcel. The request also includes development fo a 4,800 sq. ft. covered seating area, a 1,600 sq. ft. gazebo, replacement of an existing freestanding pole sign with a reader board sign. Special events, weddings and outdoor concerts are proposed on-site until 11:00 P.M.				
Lead Agend	cy Contact				
Name	Kristin Doud				
Agency	Stanislaus County				
Phone email	209-525-6330 Fax				
Address	1010 10th Street, Suite 3400				
City	Modesto State CA Zip 95354				
Project Loc	ation				
County	Stanislaus				
City	Modesto				
Region					
Lat / Long					
Cross Streets	South-west-corner of Geer Rd. and Yosemite Blvd.				
Parcel No.	009-027-004				
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Airports					
Railways					
Waterways	Tuolumne				
Schools	Empire				
Land Use					
Project Issues	Aesthetic/Visual; Noise; Public Services; Traffic/Circulation				
Reviewing Agencies	Resources Agency; Department of Fish and Wildlife, Region 4; Department of Parks and Recreation; Department of Water Resources; California Highway Patrol; Caltrans, District 10; Native American Heritage Commission; Regional Water Quality Control Bd., Region 5 (Sacramento)				
Date Received	03/09/2017 Start of Review 03/09/2017 End of Review 04/07/2017				

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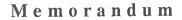
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To: State Clearinghouse 1400 Tenth Street, Room 121 Sacramento, CA 95814

April 3, 2017

STATE CLEARINGHOUSE

From: DEPARTMENT OF CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL Modesto Area

File No.: 465.15473.18430.E17-034

Subject: THE FRUIT YARD AMPHITHEATER PROJECT STATE CLEARINGHOUSE #2016072019

Thank you for the opportunity to be able to express any potential impact regarding the Fruit Yard Amphitheater Project, State Clearinghouse (SCH) #2016072019. The California Highway Patrol (CHP) is the primary agency that provides traffic law enforcement, safety, and traffic management on State Route 132, which is located in the area of where the Fruit Yard Amphitheater Project will be taking place. The Modesto Area is responsible for these functions and will be affected by the implementation of this project in the following ways:

Our primary concerns focus on the safety of the motoring public. During planned events, there may be delays to emergency responses, congestion, and traffic safety. Furthermore, State Route 132 is a major artery leading into the east part of Stanislaus County. As such, emergency responses could be greatly affected due to a potential increase in traffic through the area of this project. We recommend these concerns are taken into consideration prior to the implementation of this project.

If you have any questions regarding these concerns, please contact Lieutenant David Wharry at (209) 545-7440.

Sincerely,

J. IRIGOYEN, Captain Commander

cc: Central Division Special Projects Section



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### State of California

# Memorandum

Date: March 20, 2017

To: Modesto Area (465)

From: DEPARTMENT OF CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL Special Projects Section

File No.: 063.A09293.A16728.Noc.Doc

Subject: ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT REVIEW AND RESPONSE SCH# 2016072019

Special Projects Section (SPS) recently received the referenced "Notice of Completion" environmental impact document from the State Clearinghouse.

Due to the project's geographical proximity to the Modesto Area, please use the attached checklist to assess its potential impact to local Area operations and public safety. If it is determined that departmental input is advisable, your written comments referencing the above State Clearinghouse (SCH) number must be mailed to the State Clearinghouse at 1400 Tenth Street, Room 121, Sacramento, CA 95814. Your written comments must be received by SCH no later than 4/7/2017. If the due date to SCH cannot be met, please send comments directly to the lead agency (refer to the Notice of Completion) no later than three working days after the original due date – by 4/12/2017. For reference, additional information can be found in Highway Patrol Manual 41.1, Transportation Planning Manual, Chapter 6, Environmental Impact Documents.

For project tracking purposes, SPS must be notified of Modesto Area's assessment of the project (including negative reports). Via electronic mail (e-mail), please forward a copy of Area's response to Associate Governmental Analyst Rebecca Breen at rebecca.breen@chp.ca.gov. For questions or concerns, please contact Ms. Breen at (916) 843-3382.

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S. F. BARSANTI, SSM III Commander

Attachments: Checklist Project File

cc: Central Division



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DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT



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1010 10<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 3400, Modesto, CA 95354 Phone: 209.525.6330 Fax: 209.525.5911

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# **CEQA** Referral

Initial Study and

Notice of Intent to Adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration

Date:	March 6, 2017		
То:	Distribution List (See Attachment A)		
From:	Kristin Doud, Associate Planner, Planning and Community Development		
Subject:	USE PERMIT APPLICATION NO. PLN2015-0130 – THE FRUIT YARD AMPHITHEATER		
Comment Period:	March 6, 2017 – April 10, 2017		
Respond By:	April 10, 2017		
Public Hearing Date:	April 20, 2017		

You may have previously received an Early Consultation Notice regarding this project, and your comments, if provided, were incorporated into the Initial Study. Based on all comments received, Stanislaus County anticipates adopting a Mitigated Negative Declaration for this project. This referral provides notice of a 30-day comment period during which Responsible and Trustee Agencies and other interested parties may provide comments to this Department regarding our proposal to adopt the Mitigated Negative Declaration.

All applicable project documents are available for review at: Stanislaus County Department of Planning and Community Development, 1010 10<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 3400, Modesto, CA 95354. Please provide any additional comments to the above address or call us at (209) 525-6330 if you have any questions. Thank you.

Applicant:	Joe Traina
Project Location:	7924 & 7948 Yosemite Blvd. (Hwy 132), at the southwest corner of Yosemite Blvd. and Geer Road, between the cities of Modesto, Waterford, and Hughson.
APN:	009-027-004
Williamson Act Contract:	N/A

General Plan: Planned Development (PD)

Current Zoning: Planned Development – P-D (317)

**Project Description:** Request to expand an existing Planned Development with an outdoor, fenced, 3,500 person capacity amphitheater event center, a 5,000 square-foot stage, a 5,000 square-foot roof structure, a 4,000 square-foot storage building, a parking lot to the rear of the stage, and an additional 1,302-space temporary parking area. A maximum of 12 amphitheater events are proposed to take place per year. This use permit also includes a covered seating area of approximately 4,800 square-foot and a 1,600 square-foot gazebo in the eastern half of the park area, east of the outdoor amphitheater, and replacement of the existing pylon freestanding pole sign with an electronic reader board sign.

Full document with attachments available for viewing at: http://www.stancounty.com/planning/pl/act-projects.shtm

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