

DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

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Referral Early Consultation

Date: April 20, 2021

To: Distribution List (See Attachment A)

From: Emily Basnight, Assistant Planner

Planning and Community Development

Subject: VESTING TENTATIVE PARCEL MAP APPLICATION NO. PLN2021-0021 -

THORNTON - RIVER ROAD

Respond By: May 5, 2021

****PLEASE REVIEW REFERRAL PROCESS POLICY****

The Stanislaus County Department of Planning and Community Development is soliciting comments from responsible agencies under the Early Consultation process to determine: a) whether or not the project is subject to CEQA and b) if specific conditions should be placed upon project approval.

Therefore, please contact this office by the response date if you have any comments pertaining to the proposal. Comments made identifying potential impacts should be as specific as possible and should be based on supporting data (e.g., traffic counts, expected pollutant levels, etc.). Your comments should emphasize potential impacts in areas which your agency has expertise and/or jurisdictional responsibilities.

These comments will assist our Department in preparing a staff report to present to the Planning Commission. Those reports will contain our recommendations for approval or denial. They will also contain recommended conditions to be required should the project be approved. Therefore, please list any conditions that you wish to have included for presentation to the Commission as well as any other comments you may have. Please return all comments and/or conditions as soon as possible or no later than the response date referenced above.

Thank you for your cooperation. Please call (209) 525-6330 if you have any questions.

Applicant: Dennis and Nadine Thornton

Project Location: 107 and 585 River Road, between Maze Boulevard (State Route 132) and the

Hetch Hetchy Aqueduct, near the border of Stanislaus County and San

Joaquin County.

APN: 016-002-058

Williamson Act

Contract: N/A

General Plan: Agriculture

Current Zoning: A-2-40 (General Agriculture), P-D (Planned Development) 214

Project Description: Request to subdivide an 82.9± gross acre parcel in the A-2-40 zoning district into three parcels 2±, 40.9±, and 40± gross acres in size. The current parcel is used for irrigated row crops. Proposed Parcel 1 will be 2± gross acres in size and is currently improved with a produce stand, shed, private well and septic system; Proposed Parcel 2 will be 40.9± gross acres in size and is planted in row crops; and Proposed Parcel 3 will be 40± gross acres in size and is currently planted in row crops and improved with a single-family dwelling, shed, private well and septic system, and 50-foot access easement. As part of this request, the applicant proposes to grant an irrigation easement along the western edge of Proposed Parcel 3 for the benefit of Parcel 2 for irrigated water. The produce stand was originally permitted under Use Permit No. 92-41 – Frank M. Bettencourt to sell fresh produce grown on-site or on property under the same ownership or lease

as the property that contains the stand. Rezone No. 94-02 – Deldon Chemical Company was approved by the Planning Commission on June 2, 1994, rezoning the area surrounding the produce stand from A-2-40 (General Agriculture) to Planned Development to allow the produce stand to sell a mixture of products; 85% of the display area is devoted to fresh produce grown by the operator, and 15% for agricultural products purchased from other producers, non-alcoholic beverages, juices and packaged snack-foods. The applicant is proposing the 2± acre parcel in accordance with the parcel size requirements for Planned Development zoning districts. Proposed Parcels 1 and 3 will be served by private well and septic system. All three proposed parcels will have access by way of County-maintained River Road, classified as an 80-foot Major Collector Arterial (MJC) Road. The current parcel receives irrigated water from Blewett Mutual Water Co. and uses a micro sprinkler system.

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



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VESTING TENTATIVE PARCEL MAP APPLICATION NO. PLN2021-0021 – THORNTON – RIVER ROAD Attachment A

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Х	MOUNTAIN VALLEY EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES		SURROUNDING LAND OWNERS
	MUNICIPAL ADVISORY COUNCIL:	Х	TELEPHONE COMPANY: AT&T
Х	PACIFIC GAS & ELECTRIC		TRIBAL CONTACTS (CA Government Code §65352.3)
	POSTMASTER:		US ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS
Х	RAILROAD: UNION PACIFIC	Х	US FISH & WILDLIFE
Х	SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY APCD		US MILITARY (SB 1462) (7 agencies)
Х	SCHOOL DIST 1: PATTERSON JOINT UNIFIED		USDA NRCS
	SCHOOL DIST 2:		WATER DIST:
	WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT		
Х	STAN CO AG COMMISSIONER		



TO:

STANISLAUS COUNTY CEQA REFERRAL RESPONSE FORM

TO:	Stanislaus County Planning & Community Development 1010 10 th Street, Suite 3400 Modesto, CA 95354						
FROM:				_			
SUBJECT:	VESTING TENTATIVE PARCEL MAP APPLICATION NO. PLN2021-0021 - THORNTON - RIVER ROAD						
Based on this project:	s agency's particular field	d(s) of expertise, it	is our position the above describe	∍d			
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Response pre	pared by:			_			
Name		Title	Date				

AREA MAP

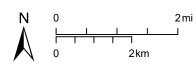
LEGEND

Project Site

City

— Road

River



Source: Planning Department GIS

Date: 3/23/2021



THORTON RIVER ROAD VTPM

GENERAL PLAN MAP

PLN2021-0021

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Project Site

Parcel

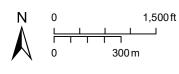
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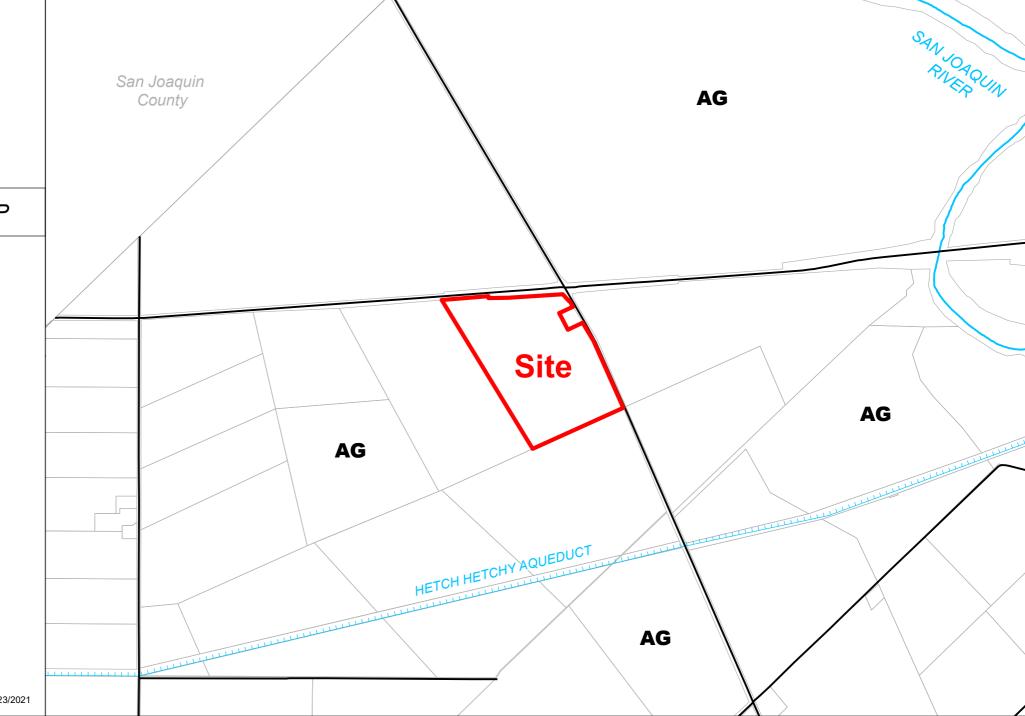
General Plan

Agriculture



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ZONING MAP

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Project Site
Parcel River
Road Canal
Zoning Designation
Planned Development
General Agriculture 40 Acre

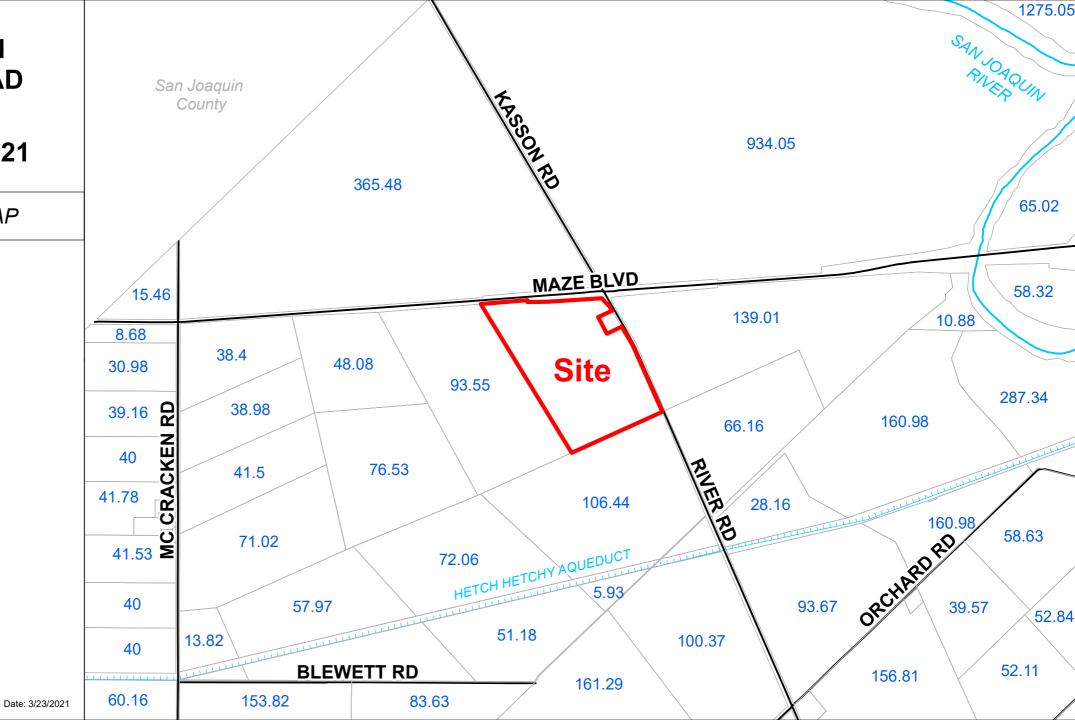


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THORTON RIVER ROAD

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2017 AERIAL AREA MAP

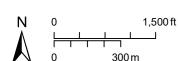
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Road

River

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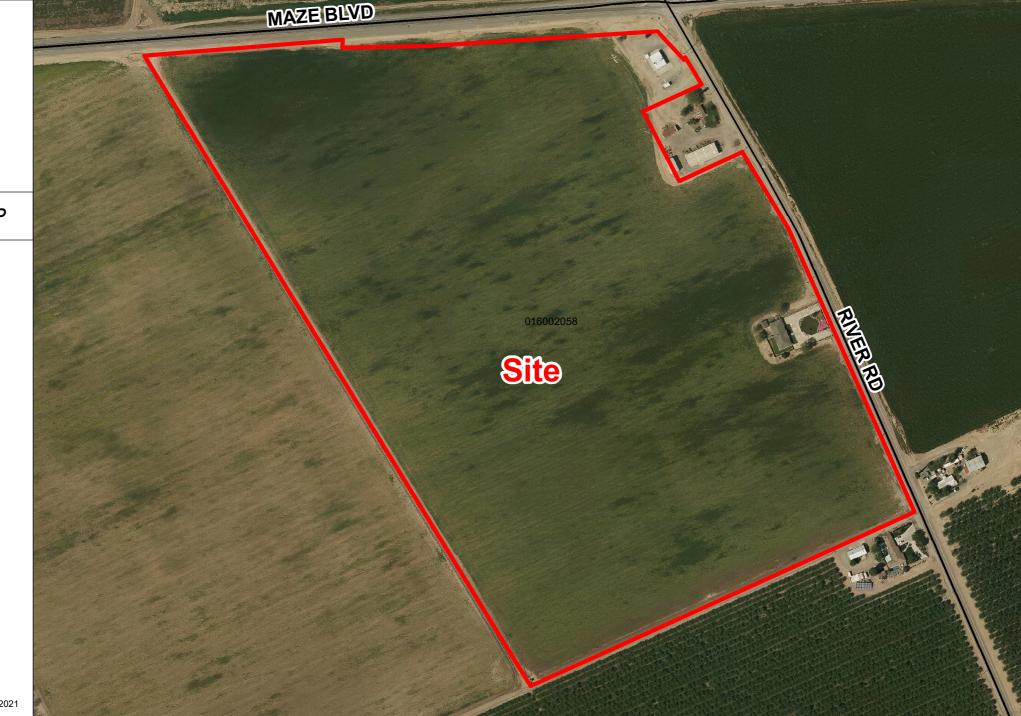


2017 AERIAL SITE MAP

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Project Site

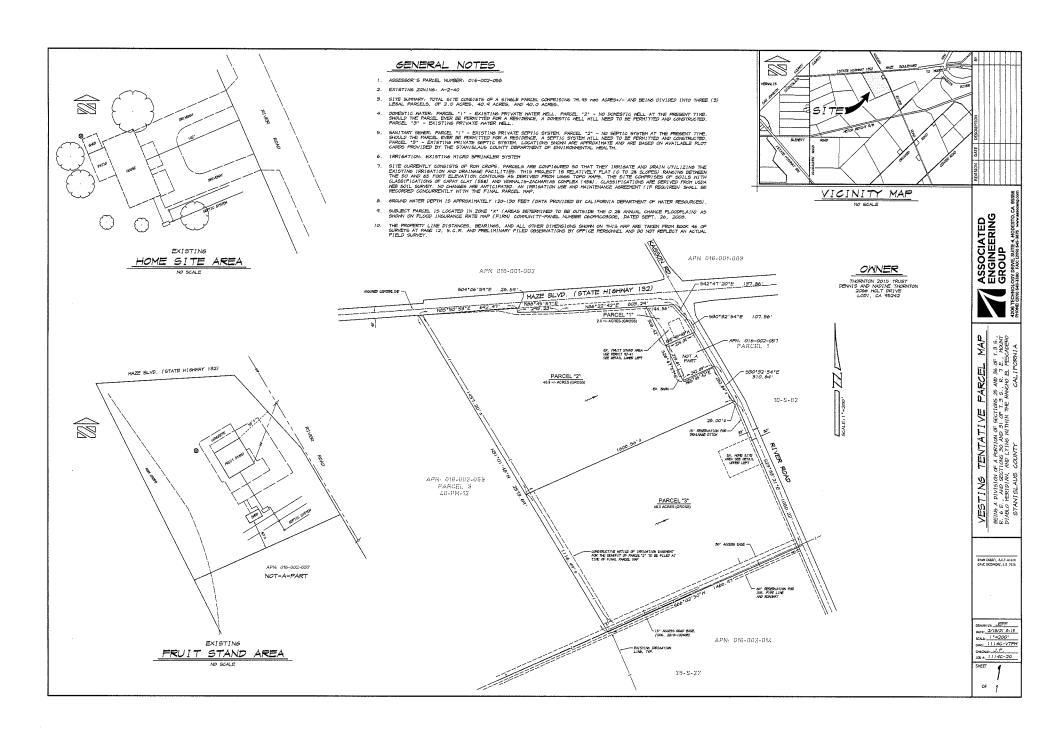
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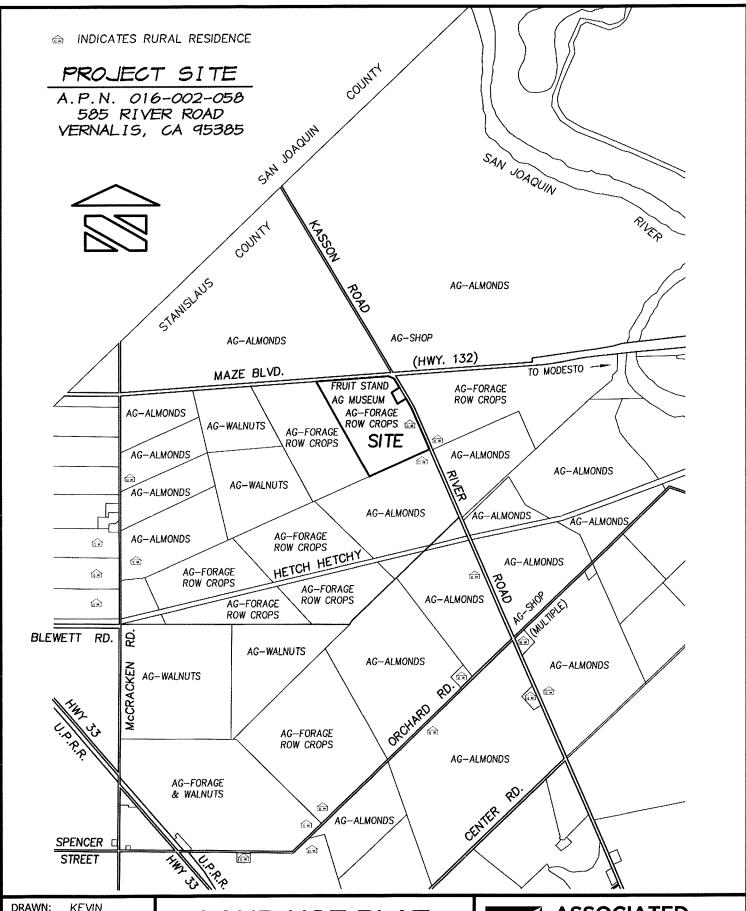


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DATE:	08/14/20
SCALE:	1"=1000'
JOB #:	1114C-20
DWG:	LUSE

LAND USE PLAT

THORNTON 2015 TRUST PARCEL MAP APPLICATION STANISLAUS COUNTY, CALIFORNIA



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APPLICATION QUESTIONNAIRE

	PLANNING STAFF USE ONLY:		
	Application No(s): PLN - 2021 - 0021		
s available to assist you with determi	Date: <u>02/23/202(</u>		
General Plan Amendment		Subdivision Map	S 31 T 3 R 7 GP Designation: Agriculture
Rezone	×	Parcel Map	Zoning: 4-2-40
Use Permit		Exception	Fee: <u>\$ 4,709.00</u>
Variance		Williamson Act Cancellation	Receipt NoReceived By:
Historic Site Permit		Other	Notes: PM W/ 2 parals result
	General Plan Amendment Rezone Use Permit Variance	General Plan Amendment Rezone Use Permit Variance	General Plan Amendment Subdivision Map Rezone Sarcel Map Use Permit Exception Variance Williamson Act Cancellation

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 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).

Project is a division of a 79.95 net ac.+/- parcel into three (3) parcels, comprising of 2.0. ac. +/-, 40.9 ac. +/- and 40.0 ac. +/-. The larger two parcels exceed the minimum gross parcel size for the A-2-40 zone and resulting in compliance and consistent with the applicable General Plan designation of AG. The proposed 2 ac. parcel comprises of a fruit stand operation which is approved by use permit 92-41 and will be divided pursuant to Section 21.20.060(D). The site consists of a fruit stand and row crops of which this division meets with the current land use and layout and will not require modification to the farming practices or irrigation systems.

PROJECT SITE INFORMATION

Complete and accurate information saves time and is vital to project review and assessment. Please complete each section entirely. If a question is not applicable to your project, please indicated this to show that each question has been carefully considered. Contact the Planning & Community Development Department Staff, $1010 \ 10^{th}$ Street -3^{rd} Floor, (209) 525-6330, if you have any questions. Pre-application meetings are highly recommended.

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Project	nal parcel numbers: t Site Address	407.0.505.5							
or Phy	sical Location:	107 & 585 F	River Road	<u>a</u>					
		Vernalis, Ca	95385						
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Current	and Previous Land Use	e: (Explain exis	ting and pr	revious la	and use	e(s) of site t	or the last te	en years)	
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WILLI	AMSON ACT CON	TRACT:							
Yes C	l No ⊠	Is the property Contract Num							
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		Date Filed:							

Yes	No	X	Do you prop	ose to cancel any p	ortion of the Co	ontract?	
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Field crop	os 🗵	3	Orchard \square	Pasture/Grassl	and \square	Scattered trees	
Shrubs			Woodland \square	River/Riparian		Other \square	
Explain C	Other:	<u></u>					4 7000
Yes 🗆	No	X	Do you plan to remo				anned for removal on plot
GRADII	NG:						
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STREA	MS,	LAKES	S, & PONDS:				
Yes 🛚	No	X	Are there any stream	ms, lakes, ponds or	other waterco	urses on the prope	rty? (If yes, please show
Yes 🛘	No	X	Will the project charneeded)	-		es, please explain – p	provide additional sheet if
Yes 🗆	No	X	Are there any gullies	or areas of soil ero	osion? (If yes, p	lease show on plot pla	an)
Yes 🗆	No	X	low lying areas, see	os, springs, streams	s, creeks, river	banks, or other area	ditches, gullies, ponds, a on the site that carries ow areas to be graded on
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Yes 🛚	No	X	Will structures be mov	ed or demolished?	(If yes, indicate	e on plot plan.)		
Yes 🛚	No	X	Do you plan to build n	ew structures? (If y	es, show location	on and size on plot p	lan.)	
Yes 🗆	No	X	Are there buildings of size on plot plan.)		-	(If yes, please expl	ain and show	location and
PROJE	CT S	SITE CO	OVERAGE:					
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Proposed	l Buile	ding Cov	erage: <u>n/a</u>	Sq. Ft.	Paved	Surface Area:	n/a	Sq. Ft.
NO NEW Number of Building I	V ST	RUCTU ors for ea t in feet (or building addition(s) RES ARE ANTICIPA ch building: measured from ground enances, excluding buil etc.): (Provide additional	TED to highest point): (Provide addition	nal sheets if necessa	ry)	
			terial for parking area:		n addressing c	lust control measur	es if non-asp	halt/concrete
UTILITI	ES /	AND IR	RIGATION FACILI	TIES:	10076.4.4000.000			
Yes 🗵	No		Are there existing pub yes, show location and s	•	s on the site?	Includes telephor	ne, power, wa	ater, etc. (If
Who prov	vides	, or will p	rovide the following ser	vices to the propert	y?			
Electrical	:		PG&E		Sewer*:	Se	eptic	
Telephor	ne:		A T & T		Gas/Propane:			
\^/atar**:			Domestic Well		Irrigation:	BLEWETT MUT	TUAL WATE	R CO.

*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) No special sewage generated 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 🗖 Are there existing irrigation, telephone, or power company easements on the property? (If yes, show location and size on plot plan.) No 🗵 Yes Do the existing utilities, including irrigation facilities, need to be moved? (If yes, show location and size on plot plan.) Yes D No 🗵 Does the project require extension of utilities? (If yes, show location and size on plot plan.) AFFORDABLE HOUSING/SENIOR: Will the project include affordable or senior housing provisions? (If yes, please explain) Yes □ No ☑ RESIDENTIAL PROJECTS: (Please complete if applicable - Attach additional sheets if necessary) Total No. Lots:_____ Total Dwelling Units:_____ Total Acreage:_____ Gross Density per Acre: _____ Net Density per Acre: Multi-Family Single Two Family Multi-Family Condominium/ (complete if applicable) Family Duplex Apartments Townhouse Number of Units: Acreage: 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): Type of use(s):

Days and hours of operation:	
Seasonal operation (i.e., packing shed, huller, etc.) months a	and hours of operation:
Occupancy/capacity of building:	
Number of employees: (Maximum Shift):	(Minimum Shift):
Estimated number of daily customers/visitors on site at peak	time:
Other occupants:	
Estimated number of truck deliveries/loadings per day:	
Estimated hours of truck deliveries/loadings per day:	Addition to the second
Estimated percentage of traffic to be generated by trucks: _	
Estimated number of railroad deliveries/loadings per day:	
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 toxic of	or hazardous materials or waste? (Please explain)
ROAD AND ACCESS INFORMATION:	
	(Please show all existing and proposed driveways on the plot plan)
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Yes	X	No		Are there private or public road or access easements on the property now? (If yes, show location and size on plot plan)					
Yes	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)					
app	roval	of ar	n Except	that do not front on a County-maintained road or require special access may require tion to the Subdivision Ordinance. Please contact staff to determine if an exception is the necessary Findings.					
STO	ORM	DR	AINAG	E:					
How	will y	our p	oroject h	andle storm water runoff? (Check one) Drainage Basin Direct Discharge 🗵 Overland					
	Other:	: (ple	ase exp	lain) No change to current agricultural practices is anticipated					
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ΑD	DITI	ONA	L INFO	ORMATION:					
				to provide any other information you feel is appropriate for the County to consider during review of ch extra sheets if necessary)					
Thi	s app	olicat	ion is m	nerely an exercise in creating two parcels of roughly equal size for purposes of estate					
pla	nning	and	to segr	regate the fruit stand pursuant to Section 21.20.060(D). No change to the current					
agr	icultu	ral p	ractices	s is anticipated. The new parcels exceed the minimum gross parcel size for the A-2-40					
zon	e an	d wili	l mainta	in their current AG use.					

CENTRAL CALIFORNIA INFORMATION CENTER



California Historical Resources Information System

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One University Circle, Turlock, California 95382

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

Date: 11/17/2020

Records Search File#: 11564N Project: Rezone Application 585 River Road, Vernalis APN 016-002-058

Jim Freitas, Principal Senior Partner Associated Engineering Group 4206 Technology Drive, Suite 4 Modesto, CA 95356 209-545-3390

jim@assoceng.com

Dear Mr. Freitas:

We have conducted a records search as per your request for the above-referenced project area located on the Ripon and Vernalis USGS 7.5-minute quadrangle maps 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 following:

National Register of Historic Places (NRHP)

California Register of Historical Resources (CRHR)

California Inventory of Historic Resources (1976)

California Historical Landmarks

California Points of Historical Interest listing

Office of Historic Preservation Built Environment Resource Directory (BERD) and the

Archaeological Determinations of Eligibility (ADOE)

Survey of Surveys (1989)

Caltrans State and Local Bridges Inventory

General Land Office Plats

Other pertinent historic data available at the CCaIC for each specific county

The following details the results of the records search:

Prehistoric or historic resources within the project area:

- There are no formally recorded prehistoric or historic archaeological resources within the project area.
- The General Land Office Survey Plats for T3S R6E (1860) and T3S R7E (1855, 1870) reference the project area within the Rancho El Pescadero (Grimes) historic land grant.

• The 1952 edition of the Ripon USGS 75' map shows 3 buildings within the project area that would be 68 years in age or older, considered as possible historical resources. We have no further information on file regarding these buildings.

Prehistoric or historic resources within the immediate vicinity of the project area: None have been formally reported to the Information Center.

Resources that are known to have value to local cultural groups: None has been formally reported to the Information Center.

Previous investigations within the project area: Three investigations have been conducted on portions of the project area, although the entire tract has not been subject to previous investigations:

CCIC Report ST-02915 (northeast corner of project area)

Jensen, P. M. (Jensen and Associates)

1996 Archaeological Survey Report (ASR) - Negative, Proposed Fresno- Tracy Fiberoptics Data Transmission Line. Caltrans Rights-of-Way at Six State Highway Crossings. Caltrans District 3, Portions of Merced, Stanislaus, San Joaquin, California.

CCIC Report ST-04221 (northeast corner of project area)

Keefe, T. (California Department of Transportation)

2001 Department of Transportation Negative Archaeological Survey Report: 10-Stanislaus-132, P.M. 1.4, CU 10-171, 10-0F6601, Installation of Flashing Warning Beacons and Lighting.

CCIC Report ST-08508 (linear segment along southern boundary and northeast corner of project area)

Busby, C. I. (Basin Research Associates for Applied Technology and Science)
2016 Archaeological Monitoring Closure Report - SFPUC San Joaquin Pipeline
(SJPL) System Project, Tuolumne, Stanislaus, and San Joaquin Counties.

Recommendations/Comments: Based on existing data in our files the project area has a moderate sensitivity for the possible discovery of historic archaeological resources.

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. Since the entire project area has not been subject to previous investigations, 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.

If the current project does not include ground disturbance, further study for archaeological resources is not recommended at this time. If ground disturbance is considered a part of the current project, we recommend further review for the possibility of identifying prehistoric or

historic-era archaeological resources.

If the proposed project contains buildings or structures that meet the minimum age requirement (45 years in age or older) it is recommended that the resource/s be assessed by a professional familiar with architecture and history of the county. Review of the available historic building/structure data has included only those sources listed above and should not be considered comprehensive.

If at any time you might require the services of a qualified professional the Statewide Referral List for Historical Resources Consultants is posted for your use on the internet at http://chrisinfo.org

If archaeological resources are encountered during project-related activities, work should be temporarily halted in the vicinity of the discovered materials and workers should avoid altering the materials and their context until a qualified professional archaeologist has evaluated the situation and provided appropriate recommendations. Project personnel should not collect cultural resources.

If human remains are discovered, California Health and Safety Code Section 7050.5 requires you to protect the discovery and notify the county coroner, who will determine if the find is Native American. If the remains are recognized as Native American, the coroner shall then notify the Native American Heritage Commission (NAHC). California Public Resources Code Section 5097.98 authorizes the NAHC to appoint a Most Likely Descendant (MLD) who will make recommendations for the treatment of the discovery.

Due to processing delays and other factors, not all of the historical resource reports and resource records that have been submitted to the State Office of Historic Preservation are available via this records search. Additional information may be available through the federal, state, and local agencies that produced or paid for historical resource management work in the search area. Additionally, Native American tribes have historical resource information not in the CHRIS Inventory, and you should contact the California Native American Heritage Commission for information on local/regional tribal contacts.

The California Office of Historic Preservation (OHP) contracts with the California Historical Resources Information System's (CHRIS) regional Information Centers (ICs) to maintain information in the CHRIS inventory and make it available to local, state, and federal agencies, cultural resource professionals, Native American tribes, researchers, and the public. Recommendations made by IC coordinators or their staff regarding the interpretation and application of this information are advisory only. Such recommendations do not necessarily represent the evaluation or opinion of the State Historic Preservation Officer in carrying out the OHP's regulatory authority under federal and state law.

We thank you for contacting this office regarding historical resource preservation. Please let us know when we can be of further service. Please sign and return the attached **Access Agreement Short Form.**

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Sincerely,

E. G. Greathouse

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