RESOLUTION NO. 13-002

A RESOLUTION OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF EL PASO DE ROBLES APPROVING A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR PLANNED DEVELOPMENT 11-005 AMENDMENT (JUSTIN VINEYARD & WINERY, INC.)

APN: 025-435-017

WHEREAS, Planned Development 11-005 Amendment has been submitted by Pults & Associates on behalf of Justin Vineyard & Winery, Inc., requesting to construct a $\pm 66,000$ square foot wine warehouse building; and

WHEREAS, the project is located at the east end for Wisteria Lane, adjacent to the existing Justin facility located at 2368 Wisteria Lane; and

WHEREAS, an Initial Study was prepared for this project (attached as Exhibit A) which concludes and proposes that a Mitigated Negative Declaration be approved; and

WHEREAS, Public Notice of the proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration was given as required by Section 21092 of the Public Resources Code; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was conducted by the Planning Commission on February 25, 2013 to consider the Initial Study prepared for this application, and to accept public testimony regarding this proposed environmental determination, and

WHEREAS, the applicant has entered into a signed Mitigation Agreement with the City of Paso Robles (prior to Planning Commission action on the Negative Declaration) that establishes obligation on the part of the property owner to mitigate potential future impacts as identified within the environmental document; and

WHEREAS, the Mitigation Monitoring Program, attached as Exhibit A to this resolution, has been reviewed by the Planning Commission in conjunction with its review of this project and shall be carried out by the responsible parties by the identified deadlines; and

WHEREAS, based on the information contained in the Initial Study prepared for this project and testimony received as a result of the public notice, the Planning Commission finds no substantial evidence that there would be a significant impact on the environment based on the attached Mitigation Agreement and mitigation measures described in the initial study and contained in the resolution approving Planned Development 11-005 as site specific conditions summarized below.

Topic of Mitigation	Condition #
Kit Fox	10 of PD Resolution
Oak Trees	11 of PD Resolution

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Planning Commission of the City of El Paso de Robles, based on its independent judgment, to approve a Mitigated Negative Declaration for Planned Development 11-005 Amendment in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act; and

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 25th day of February 2013, by the following roll call vote:

AYES:

Gregory, Barth, Holstine, Rollins, Nash, Garcia, Vanderlip

NOES:

None

ABSENT:

None

ABSTAIN:

None

VINCE VANDERLIP, CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

ED GALLAGHER, PLANNING

COMMISSION SECRETARY

ENVIRONMENTAL INITIAL STUDY CHECKLIST FORM CITY OF PASO ROBLES

1. PROJECT TITLE: Justin Winery & Vineyard Production

Facility

Concurrent Entitlements: PD 11-005 Amendment

2. LEAD AGENCY: City of Paso Robles

1000 Spring Street

Paso Robles, CA 93446

Contact:

Phone: (805) 237-3970

Email:

3. PROJECT LOCATION: East end of Wisteria Lane

4. PROJECT PROPONENT: Steven D. Pults, AIA & Associates, LLP

Contact Person: Kim Hatch (Representative)

Phone: (805) 541-5604
Email: khatch@pults.com

5. GENERAL PLAN DESIGNATION: BP (Business Park)

6. ZONING: PM (Planned Industrial)

- 7. **PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The proposed project consists of adding a 66,000 square foot wine storage building to the existing winery facility that is located within an existing Industrial/Business Park. The site is located within Tract 2778-2 which will be an extension of the existing Golden Hills Business Park. The proposed project is the type of development that was anticipated with the development of the Golden Hills Business Park.
- **8. ENVIRONMENTAL SETTING:** The 16.4 acre site is a merger of lots 9-14 of Tract 2778-2. The site is relatively flat, vegetated with annual grasses on mostly level terrain that is periodically plowed. A few mature blue oak trees are located within the grass land habitat area and will be preserved with the development of this project. A small drainage ditch originates in the center of the parcel, carrying storm water northward to Huer Huero Creek.

A Mitigated Negative Declaration was approved for Tract 2778, and also for the two development of the two existing buildings. The previous mitigation measures identified in the previous environmental reviews consisted of Biological Impacts (Kit Fox), Traffic Impacts, and Air Quality impacts. Prior to the submittal of this project the developer paid the Kit Fox mitigation fees for Tract 2778, which included this project site. Therefore, the Kit Fox mitigation has been satisfied except for the standard on-site inspections and meetings with the Biologist prior to the start of construction. As indicated in this report, traffic impacts will be addressed by paying the required traffic impact at the time of occupancy of the project. Only construction level mitigation was indicated necessary related to Air Quality impacts. Since paying traffic impact fees and providing standard air quality mitigation during construction are considered Standard Conditions, they are not indicated as mitigation measures as a result of this environmental review.

9. OTHER AGENCIES WHOSE APPROVAL IS REQUIRED (AND PERMITS NEEDED): None.

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. Air Quality Aesthetics Agriculture and Forestry Resources **Biological Resources** Cultural Resources Geology /Soils Hydrology / Water Greenhouse Gas Hazards & Hazardous **Emissions** Quality Materials Noise Land Use / Planning Mineral Resources Recreation Population / Housing **Public Services** Mandatory Findings of Transportation/Traffic **Utilities / Service Systems** 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. 2/13/13 Date

Signature:

EVALUATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS:

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

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I. A	AESTHETICS: Would the project:					
a.	Have a substantial adverse effect on a scenic vista?					
	Discussion: The project site is not located with	hin a scenic vis	ta.			
b.	Substantially damage scenic resources, including, but not limited to, trees, rock outcroppings, and historic buildings within a state scenic highway?					
	Discussion: The site is not considered a scenic there are no historic buildings located on this s		not located along a	state scenic hig	ghway, and	
c.	Substantially degrade the existing visual character or quality of the site and its surroundings?					
	Discussion: The proposed development would currently developed. The project would not desurroundings.					
d.	Create a new source of substantial light or glare which would adversely affect day or nighttime views in the area? (Sources: 1, 2, 10)					
	Discussion: Any new exterior lighting will be	required to be s	hielded so that it do	es not produce	off-site glare.	
are Site	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 Dept. of Conservation as an optional model to use in assessing impacts on agriculture and farmland. Would the project: 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?					
	Discussion: The project is not located on agric taking place on the site.	ulturally zoned	land and there are r	no agricultural a	ctivities	
b.	Conflict with existing zoning for agricultural use, or a Williamson Act contract?					
	Discussion: See discussion section for Section	II.a.				

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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 5114(g))?				
	Discussion: The project is not located on agricutaking place on the site.	lturally zoned	land and there are r	o agricultural a	ctivities
d.	Result in the loss of forest land or conversion of forest land to non-forest use?				
	Discussion: The project is not located on land z	oned for forest	purposes.		
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?				
	Discussion: This project would not result in the	conversion of	farmland or forest l	and.	
	AIR QUALITY: Where available, the significant or air pollution control district may be relied u				
a.	Conflict with or obstruct implementation of the applicable air quality plan? (Source: 11)				
	Discussion: The San Luis Obispo County area and suspended particulate matter. The SLO Copermit system to ensure that stationary sources and state standards to be exceeded. The potential quality impacts falls generally into two category.	ounty Air Pollu do not collecti utial for future	tion Control Distric vely create emission project developmen	t (APCD) admi ns which would t to create adve	nisters a cause local
	Short term impacts are associated with the grad generates dust, but the impact ends when constr ongoing operational characteristics of a project the level of offensiveness of the onsite activity by	ruction is comp t and are gener	plete. Long term im rally related to vehi	pacts are relate	d to the
	There will be short term impacts associated with required by the City as well as the APCD will b			uction, standard	l conditions

Based on the wine storage/wine production use being a low traffic generator and based on the total of the three buildings (including the two existing and one proposed) being approximately 183,000 square feet, when reviewing the project with the APCD CEQA Handbook, the project would produce less than the 25 lbs/day of ROG+NOx and there for be considered less than significant and no mitigation is required for operational or

long-term impacts based on light-industrial or manufacturing type of land use.

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b.	Violate any air quality standard or contribute substantially to an existing or projected air quality violation? (Source: 11)				
	Discussion: See Section III.a				
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)? (Source: 11)				\boxtimes
	Discussion: See Section III.a				
d.	Expose sensitive receptors to substantial pollutant concentrations? (Source: 11)				
	Discussion: Besides the short term impacts from sensitive receptors.	n the actual gra	ading, there will not	be a significant	impact to
e.	Create objectionable odors affecting a substantial number of people? (Source: 11)				
	Discussion: The project will not create objection	onable odors.			
IV	BIOLOGICAL RESOURCES: Would the pr	oject:			
a.	Have a substantial adverse effect, either directly or through habitat modifications, on any species identified as a candidate, sensitive, or special status species in local or regional plans, policies, or regulations, or by the California Department of Fish and Game or U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service?				
b.	Have a substantial adverse effect on any riparian habitat or other sensitive natural community identified in local or regional plans, policies, regulations or by the California Department of Fish and Game or US Fish and Wildlife Service?				
c.	Have a substantial adverse effect on federally protected wetlands as defined by Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (including, but not limited to, marsh, vernal pool, coastal, etc.) through direct removal, filling, hydrological interruption, or other means?				

d. Interfere substantially with the movement of any native resident or migratory fish or wildlife species or with established native resident or migratory wildlife corridors, or impede the use of native wildlife nursery sites?	<u> </u>	
e. Conflict with any local policies or ordinances protecting biological resources, such as a tree preservation policy or ordinance?		
f. Conflict with the provisions of an adopted Habitat Conservation Plan, Natural Community Conservation Plan, or other approved local, regional, or state habitat conservation plan?		₃

Discussion (a-f):

A mitigated negative declaration was adopted by the Planning Commission via Resolution 06-027 which established mitigation measures for the development of the industrial park, including the land that Justin Winery is proposing to develop. The MND identified Biological impacts that needed to be mitigated. The following biological impacts where identified along with a discussion on how the impact has already been mitigated or how the impact will be mitigated as a result of the measures outlined in the MND for Tract 2778:

Migratory Wildlife Species-San Joaquin Kit Fox: The MND indicated that 23.34 acres of Kit Fox habitat would be impacted by the development of the industrial subdivision and required the purchasing 70.02 credits from a local conservation bank. Subsequently, Tom Erskine, the original developer of the Tract on August 15, 2011 paid the necessary fees (\$175,050) to the Palo Prieto Conservation Bank. The mitigation satisfied the requirement for all parcels within Tract 2778-2. The remaining Kit Fox mitigation outlined in condition 16. BR-2-BR11 (pre-construction survey and contractor education) still remains in effect and will be required to be satisfied by this project prior to the issuance of a grading permit.

Additionally, since a prior Biological Study was used for review with Tract 2778, a condition of approval was added that requested a revised Biological Study of the 23.34 acre disturbed area of the site. A Study was prepared by Althouse and Meade, Inc. on August 10, 2011. The Study indicated that besides the Kit Fox mitigation (previously discussed), standard measures for construction during the nesting season, and standard measures related to oak tree preservation, no further mitigation measures were identified beyond the mitigation measures outlined in Resolution 06-027.

Based on the previous mitigation measures applied to Tract 2778 and the revised biological study submitted with this project, the biological impacts that remain with this project are the remaining Kit Fox mitigation measures identified as Condition BR2-BR11 of Resolution 06-027.

The proposed 66,000 square foot building will be built within and around existing oak trees. An Arborist Report has been submitted that indicates that the building would be built in a manner that would generally be out of the oak tree critical root zones, with only minor CRZ encroachment. Out of the 31 oak trees listed in the Arborist Report, 14 of the trees will have minor encroachment into the CRZ (5%-20%). The Arborist has included mitigation measures in the Report that would bring the project impacts on oak trees to less than significant.

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The biological mitigation measures are listed as follows:

- **BR-2** Prior to issuance of grading and/or construction permits, the applicant shall provide evidence that they have retained a qualified biologist acceptable to the City Planning Division. The retained biologist shall perform the following monitoring activities:
 - a. Prior to issuance of grading and/or construction permits and within 30 days prior to initiation of site disturbance and/or construction, the biologist shall conduct a pre-activity (i.e. preconstruction) survey for known or potential kit fox dens and submit a letter to the City reporting the date the survey was conducted, the survey protocol, survey results, and what measures were necessary (and completed), as applicable, to address any kit fox activity within the project limits.
 - b. The qualified biologist shall conduct weekly site visits during site-disturbance activities (i.e. grading, disking, excavation, stock piling of dirt or gravel, etc.) that proceed longer than 14 days, for the purpose of monitoring compliance with required Mitigation Measures BR-3 through BR11. Site-disturbance activities lasting up to 14 days do not require weekly monitoring by the biologist unless observations of kit fox or their dens are made on-site or the qualified biologist recommends monitoring for some other reason (see BR-2-c3). When weekly monitoring is required, the biologist shall submit weekly monitoring reports to the City.
 - c. Prior to or during project activities, if any observations are made of San Joaquin Kit fox, or any known or potential San Joaquin kit fox dens are discovered within the project limits, the qualified biologist shall re-assess the probability of incidental take (e.g. harm or death) to kit fox. At the time a den is discovered, the qualified biologist shall contact the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and the Department for guidance on possible additional kit fox protection measures to implement and whether or not a Federal and/or State incidental take permit is needed. If a potential den is encountered during construction, work shall stop until such time the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service/Department determine it is appropriate to resume work.

If incidental take of kit fox during project activities is possible, **before project activities commence**, the applicant must consult with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and the Department (see contact information below). The results of this consultation may require the applicant to obtain a Federal and/or State permit for incidental take during project activities. The applicant should be aware that the presence of kit foxes or known or potential kit fox dens at the project site could result in further delays of project activities.

In addition, the qualified biologist shall implement the following measures:

1. Within 30 days prior to initiation of site disturbance and/or construction, fenced exclusion zones shall be established around all known and potential kit fox dens. Exclusion zone fencing shall consist of either large flagged stakes connected by rope or cord, or survey laths or wooden stakes prominently flagged with survey ribbon. Each exclusion zone shall be roughly circular in configuration with a radius of the following distance measured outward from the den or burrow entrances:

a) Potential kit fox den: 50 feet

b) Known or active kit fox den: 100 feet

c) Kit fox pupping den: 150 feet

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- 2. All foot and vehicle traffic, as well as all construction activities, including storage of supplies and equipment, shall remain outside of exclusion zones. Exclusion zones shall be maintained until all project-related disturbances have been terminated, and then shall be removed.
- 3. If kit foxes or known or potential kit fox dens are found on site, daily monitoring during ground disturbing activities shall be required by a qualified biologist.
- BR-3 **Prior to issuance of grading and/or construction permits,** the applicant shall clearly delineate as a note on the project plans, that: "Speed signs of 25 mph (or lower) shall be posted for all construction traffic to minimize the probability of road mortality of the San Joaquin kit fox". Speed limit signs shall be installed on the project site within 30 days prior to initiation of site disturbance and/or construction,

In addition, **prior to permit issuance and initiation of any ground disturbing activities**, conditions BR-3 through BR-11 of the Developer's Statement/Conditions of Approval shall be clearly delineated on project plans.

- BR-4 **During the site disturbance and/or construction phase**, grading and construction activities after dusk shall be prohibited unless coordinated through the City, during which additional kit fox mitigation measures may be required.
- BR-5 Prior to issuance of grading and/or construction permit and within 30 days prior to initiation of site disturbance and/or construction, all personnel associated with the project shall attend a worker education training program, conducted by a qualified biologist, to avoid or reduce impacts on sensitive biological resources (i.e. San Joaquin kit fox). At a minimum, as the program relates to the kit fox, the training shall include the kit fox's life history, all mitigation measures specified by the City, as well as any related biological report(s) prepared for the project. The applicant shall notify the City shortly prior to this meeting. A kit fox fact sheet shall also be developed prior to the training program, and distributed at the training program to all contractors, employers and other personnel involved with the construction of the project.
- BR-6 **During the site-disturbance and/or construction phase,** to prevent entrapment of the San Joaquin kit fox, all excavation, steep-walled holes or trenches in excess of two feet in depth shall be covered at the close of each working day by plywood or similar materials, or provided with one or more escape ramps constructed of earth fill or wooden planks. Trenches shall also be inspected for entrapped kit fox each morning prior to onset of field activities and immediately prior to covering with plywood at the end of each working day. Before such holes or trenches are filled, they shall be thoroughly inspected for entrapped kit fox. Any kit fox so discovered shall be allowed to escape before field activities resume, or removed from the trench or hole by a qualified biologist and allowed to escape unimpeded.
- BR-7 **During the site-disturbance and/or construction phase**, any pipes, culverts, or similar structures with a diameter of four inches or greater, stored overnight at the project site shall be thoroughly inspected for trapped San Joaquin kit foxes before the subject pipe is subsequently buried, capped, or otherwise used or moved in any way. If during the construction phase a kit fox is discovered inside a pipe, that section of pipe will not be moved, or if necessary, be moved only once to remove it from the path of activity, until the kit fox has escaped.
- BR-8 **During the site-disturbance and/or construction phase,** all food-related trash items such as wrappers, cans, bottles, and food scraps generated shall be disposed of in closed containers only and regularly removed from the site. Food items may attract San Joaquin kit foxes onto the project site, consequently exposing such animals to increased risk of injury or mortality. No deliberate feeding of wildlife shall be allowed.
- BR-9 Prior to, during and after the site-disturbance and/or construction phase, use of pesticides or

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herbicides shall be in compliance with all local, state and federal regulations. This is necessary to minimize the probability of primary or secondary poisoning of endangered species utilizing adjacent habitats, and the depletion of prey upon which San Joaquin kit foxes depend.

- BR-10 **During the site-disturbance and/or construction phase,** any contractor or employee that inadvertently kills or injures a San Joaquin kit fox or who finds any such animal either dead, injured, or entrapped shall be required to report the incident immediately to the applicant and City. In the event that any observations are made of injured or dead kit fox, the applicant shall immediately notify the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and the Department by telephone (see contact information below). In addition, formal notification shall be provided in writing within three working days of the finding of any such animal(s). Notification shall include the date, time, location and circumstances of the incident. Any threatened or endangered species found dead or injured shall be turned over immediately to the Department for care, analysis, or disposition.
- BR-11 **Prior to final inspection, or occupancy, whichever comes first,** should any long internal or perimeter fencing be proposed or installed, the applicant shall do the following to provide for kit fox passage:
 - a. If a wire strand/pole design is used, the lowest strand shall be no closer to the ground than 12".
 - b. If a more solid wire mesh fence is used, 8" x 12" openings near the ground shall be provided every 100 yards.

Upon fence installation, the applicant shall notify the City to verify proper installation. Any fencing constructed after issuance of a final permit shall follow the above guidelines.

Contact Information

California Department of Fish and Game Central Coast Region P.O. Box 47 Yountville, CA 94599 (805) 528-8670 U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Ventura Field Office 2493 Portola Road, Suite B Ventura, CA 93003 (805) 644-1766

- BR-12 The storm drain shown on the plans shall be adjusted away from Tree #807 and Tree #801 to the satisfaction of the project Arborist.
- BR-13 All trenching and grading operations within the Critical Root Zone of any oak trees shall be monitored as deemed necessary by the project Arborist.
- BR-14 Limb trimming and removal as indicated in the Arborist report may be necessary to mitigate large limb failure. The project manager shall work with the project Arborist to take care of any necessary trimming identified by the Project Arborist.
- BR-15 Protective fencing and signage shall be installed to the satisfaction of the Project Arborist, prior to the issuance of a Grading Permit.
- BR-16 The Fire access road shown on the plans shall be constructed in a manner that meets the requirements of the City Oak Tree Ordinance. The project Arborist shall review the grading plans to insure the road is placed in the best alignment possible, to minimize the impacts to the oak trees.

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v.	V. CULTURAL RESOURCES: Would the project:								
a.	Cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a historical resource as defined in §15064.5?								
b.	Cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of an archaeological resource pursuant to §15064.5?								
c.	Directly or indirectly destroy a unique paleontological resource or site or unique geologic feature?								
d.	Disturb any human remains, including those interred outside of formal cemeteries?								
	Discussion (a-d):								
	An Archeological Survey was conducted in 1996, by Clay Singer, in relation to a 226 acre site that included the land within Tract 2778. The Study indicated that no prehistoric resources of any kind were identified and the Study concluded that development of the project at that time (Golf Course) should have no impact on known or cultural resources. The following standard condition will be applied to this project.								
	In the event that buried or otherwise unknown cultural resources are discovered during construction work in the area of the find, work shall be suspended and the City of Paso Robles should be contacted immediately, and appropriate mitigations measures shall be developed by qualified archeologist or historian if necessary, at the developers expense.								
VI	GEOLOGY AND SOILS: Would the project:								
a.	Expose people or structures to potential substantial adverse effects, including the risk of loss, injury, or death involving:								
	i. Rupture of a known earthquake fault, as delineated on the most recent Alquist-Priolo Earthquake Fault Zoning Map issued by the State Geologist for the area or based on other substantial evidence of a known fault? Refer to Division of Mines and Geology Special Publication 42. (Sources: 1, 2, & 3)								
	Discussion: The potential for and mitigation of impacts that may result from fault rupture in the project area are identified and addressed in the General Plan EIR, pg. 4.5-8. There are two known fault zones on either side of the Salinas Rivers valley. The Rinconada Fault system runs on the west side of the valley, and grazes the City on its western boundary. The San Andreas Fault is on the east side of the valley and is situated about 30 miles east of Paso Robles. The City of Paso Robles recognizes these geologic influences in the application of the Uniform Building Code to all new development within the								

City. Review of available information and examinations indicate that neither of these faults is active with

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		respect to ground rupture in Paso Robles. accordance with local seismic influences we proposal. Based on standard conditions of persons or property to seismic hazards is a Earthquake Fault Zones within City limits.	vould be applie f approval, the not considered i	d in conjunction wi potential for fault r	th any new deve upture and expo	lopment osure of
	ii.	Strong seismic ground shaking? (Sources: 1, 2, & 3)				
		Discussion: The proposed project will be identified impacts resulting from ground someasures that will be incorporated into the and not constructing over active or potential.	haking as less t e design of this	han significant and project including a	provided mitigo	ation
	iii.	Seismic-related ground failure, including liquefaction? (Sources: 1, 2 & 3)				
		Discussion: Per the General Plan EIR, the have a potential for liquefaction or other to implement the EIR's mitigation measure condition to require submittal of soils and liquefaction potential for all building permerecommendations of said reports into the design of the commendation of	ype of ground for es to reduce thing geotechnical restits for new con	ailure due to seismi is potential impact, eports, which inclu struction, and inco	c events and sou the City has a s de site-specific o	il conditions. tandard
	iv.	Landslides?				
		Discussion: See discussions above.				
b.		sult in substantial soil erosion or the loss copsoil? (Sources: 1, 2, & 3)			\boxtimes	
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c.	uns rest on- sub	located on a geologic unit or soil that is stable, or that would become unstable as a ult of the project, and potentially result in or off-site landslide, lateral spreading, esidence, liquefaction or collapse?				
	Dis	scussion: See response to item a.iii, above.				

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d.	Be located on expansive soil, as defined in Table 18-1-B of the Uniform Building Code (1994), creating substantial risks to life or property?					
	Discussion: See response to item a.iii, above.					
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?				\boxtimes	
	Discussion: The building will be hooked up to the City's sanitary sewer system, therefore there is no impact.					
VII	. GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS: Would	d the project:				
a.	Generate greenhouse gas emissions, either directly or indirectly, that may have a significant impact on the environment?					
b.	Conflict with any applicable plan, policy, or regulation of an agency adopted for the purpose of reducing the emissions of greenhouse gasses?			\boxtimes		
	Discussion (a-b):					
	The use of the building includes wine production having a minimal number of full and part time of adjacent to Justin's existing facility which will buildings. A conveyor system will be used to transfer to the system will be used to transfer to the system.	employees. Ade eliminate the n	ditionally, the new a	facility is being by truck between	located en the two	
	With the review of the two previous buildings, City Staff along with APCD Staff have made a good-faith effort to quantify the projects GHG impacts from both operational and construction phase. APCD has indicated that the project will create approximately 394 metric tons of CO2 equivalence during the construction phase, and 3,613 metric tons of operational emissions. APCD recommended that measures from Section 3.7.2 of the 2009 Handbook be applied to the project to help mitigate GHG emissions. The following measures from Table 3-5 have been included in the initial project design:					
	 significant shade tree planting; 					
	 high efficiency exterior siding, roofing 	and insulation	panels, Increase T	itle 24 by 20 per	cent;	
	Building orientation towards street, wi	th parking in re	ear;			
	• Employee locker room and shower;					
	 Reduced in the number of on-site paved parking spaces; 					

Break room with refrigeration, eating and on-site vending;

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With the addition of the wine storage building, based on the low employee numbers as well as low trip generation, along with the items listed above, it is anticipated that the project impacts related to GHG emissions will be less than significant.

VIII. HAZARDS AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS: Would the project:					
a.	Create a significant hazard to the public or the environment through the routine transport, use, or disposal of hazardous materials?				
b.	Create a significant hazard to the public or the environment through reasonably foreseeable upset and accident conditions involving the release of hazardous materials into the environment?				
c.	Emit hazardous emissions or handle hazardous or acutely hazardous materials, substances, or waste within one-quarter mile of an existing or proposed school?				
d.	Be located on a site which is included on a list of hazardous materials sites compiled pursuant to Government Code Section 65962.5 and, as a result, would it create a significant hazard to the public or the environment?				
e.	For a project located within an airport land use plan or, where such a plan has not been adopted, within two miles of a public airport or public use airport, would the project result in a safety hazard for people residing or working in the project area?				\boxtimes
f.	For a project within the vicinity of a private airstrip, would the project result in a safety hazard for people residing or working in the project area?				
g.	Impair implementation of or physically interfere with an adopted emergency response plan or emergency evacuation plan?				\boxtimes

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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?				
	Discussion (a-h):				
	The proposed wine storage building will be conbuilding codes as well as County Environmenta anticipated that the project will be constructed in Additionally, any hazardous materials related to required by the Health Department, therefore the	al Health requi in a manner that the wine proo	rements as necessar at would not create duction process will	ry. Therefore it i any physical ha	s not zards.
IX	. HYDROLOGY AND WATER QUALITY: V	Would the proj	ect:		
a.	Violate any water quality standards or waste discharge requirements?				
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., Would the production rate of pre-existing nearby wells drop to a level which would not support existing land uses or planned uses for which permits have been granted)? Would decreased rainfall infiltration or groundwater recharge reduce stream baseflow? (Source: 7)				
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? (Source: 10)				
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? (Source: 10)				

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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? (Source: 10)				
f.	Otherwise substantially degrade water quality?				
	Discussion:				
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?				\boxtimes
h.	Place within a 100-year flood hazard area structures which would impede or redirect flood flows?				
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?				\boxtimes
j.	Inundation by mudflow?				
k.	Conflict with any Best Management Practices found within the City's Storm Water Management Plan?				
1.	Substantially decrease or degrade watershed storage of runoff, wetlands, riparian areas, aquatic habitat, or associated buffer zones?				

Discussion (a-l):

The site is relatively flat and will be designed to take storm water to the rear of the site then down to the open space area which is near the Huer Huero Creek. Low Impact Design measures will be used to retain the water on site and allow for water to meter out to the Creek after being taken through vegetation to allow for cleansing. Additionally the site is not located within a flood hazard area and the subject buildings will be utilizing City water and sewer systems. The projects impacts related to hydrological and water quality issues will be less than significant since the project will be required to comply with the City's standards related to site drainage, storm water run-off, water quality and water supply.

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Χ.	LAND USE AND PLANNING: Would the pro	oject:			
a.	Physically divide an established community?				\boxtimes
	Discussion: The project consists of constructin wine production facility, within an existing ind community.				
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?				\boxtimes
	Discussion:				
	Wine processing is a permitted use in the Plant designation of the Zoning Code and General Plant policies.				
c.	Conflict with any applicable habitat conservation plan or natural community conservation plan?				\boxtimes
	Discussion: There are no habitat conservation puthis area of the City. Therefore there is no impart		l community conser	vation plans esta	ablished in
XI	. MINERAL RESOURCES: Would the project	rt·			
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? (Source: 1)				
	Discussion: There are no known mineral resou	rces at this pro	ject site.		
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? (Source: 1)				\boxtimes
	Discussion: There are no known mineral resour	rces at this pro	iect site.		

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XI	I. NOISE: Would the project result in:				
a.	Exposure of persons to or generation of noise levels in excess of standards established in the local general plan or noise ordinance, or applicable standards of other agencies? (Source: 1)				
b.	Exposure of persons to or generation of excessive groundborne vibration or groundborne noise levels?				
c.	A substantial permanent increase in ambient noise levels in the project vicinity above levels existing without the project?				
d.	A substantial temporary or periodic increase in ambient noise levels in the project vicinity above levels existing without the project?				
e.	For a project located within an airport land use plan or, where such a plan has not been adopted, within two miles of a public airport or public use airport, would the project expose people residing or working in the project area to excessive noise levels? (Sources: 1, 4)				
	Discussion: The construction phase of the proj requirements. The noise associated with the on is anticipated to be less than significant.				
XI	II. POPULATION AND HOUSING: Would	the project:			
a.	Induce substantial population growth in an area, either directly (for example, by proposing new homes and businesses) or indirectly (for example, through extension of roads or other infrastructure)? (Source: 1)				
b.	Displace substantial numbers of existing housing, necessitating the construction of replacement housing elsewhere?				

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c.	Displace substantial numbers of people, necessitating the construction of replacement housing elsewhere?				
	Discussion (a-c):				
	The project will not create induce population gr	owth, displace	housing or people.		
pro fac	V. PUBLIC SERVICES: Would the project resovision of new or physically altered governmental ilities, the construction of which could cause sign vice ratios, response times or other performance of	facilities, nee	d for new or physica nmental impacts, in	ally altered gove order to maintai	ernmental
a.	Fire protection? (Sources: 1,10)				
b.	Police protection? (Sources: 1,10)				
c.	Schools?				
d.	Parks?				
e.	Other public facilities? (Sources: 1,10)				
	Discussion (a-e):				
	The project will be located at an existing winery addition of the building will not create a significant of the building will not create as the			rial/business par	k. The
XV	7. RECREATION				
a.	Would the project increase the use of existing neighborhood and regional parks or other recreational facilities such that substantial physical deterioration of the facility would occur or be accelerated?				
b.	Does the project include recreational facilities or require the construction or expansion of recreational facilities which might have an adverse physical effect on the environment?				
	Discussion (a&b):				
	The project will not impact recreational facilities	es.			

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XV	7I. TRANSPORTATION/TRAFFIC: Would	the project:			
a.	Conflict with an applicable plan, ordinance or policy establishing measures or effectiveness for the performance of the circulation system, taking into account all modes of transportation including mass transit and 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 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 results in substantial safety risks?				
d.	Substantially increase hazards due to a design feature (e.g., sharp curves or dangerous intersections) or incompatible uses (e.g., farm equipment)?				
e.	Result in inadequate emergency access?				
f.	Conflict with adopted policies, plans, or programs regarding public transit, bicycle, or pedestrian facilities, or otherwise decrease the performance or safety of such facilities?				
	Discussion (a-f):				
	A traffic study was prepared Tract 2778 and m address traffic impacts. The mitigation required interchange project. Since Tract 2778 was appl Impact Fees that apply to an AB 1600 list. The along with all others within the industrial park	d that project w roved, it has be a list includes the	rithin Tract 2778 pa en standard practice e projects that were	y their fair share that project pay outlined in Thi	e of various Traffic s project
	The proposed project is on an approximate 20 than having the possibility of 6 separate building				

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Therefore the impacts from the larger project should not exceed what was originally anticipated with 6 separate lots. The City Engineer has indicated that the standard condition of paying traffic impact fees will adequately address any traffic impacts related to this project.

XV	II. UTILITIES AND SERVICE SYSTEMS: Wou	ld the project:		
a.	Exceed wastewater treatment requirements of the applicable Regional Water Quality Control Board?			
b.	Require or result in the construction of new water or wastewater treatment facilities or expansion of existing facilities, the construction of which could cause significant environmental effects?			
c.	Require or result in the construction of new storm water drainage facilities or expansion of existing facilities, the construction of which could cause significant environmental effects?			
d.	Have sufficient water supplies available to serve the project from existing entitlements and resources, or are new or expanded entitlements needed?			
e.	Result in a determination by the wastewater treatment provider which serves or may serve the project that it has adequate capacity to serve the project=s projected demand in addition to the provider=s existing commitments?			
f.	Be served by a landfill with sufficient permitted capacity to accommodate the project's solid waste disposal needs?			
g.	Comply with federal, state, and local statutes and regulations related to solid waste?			\boxtimes
	Discussion (a-g):			
	Since the project complies with the PM zone and the BP land use designation, as well as complying with all the conditions of approval for Tract 2778, the existing utilities and service systems will be adequate for this project. The proposed project is on an approximate 20 acre site which is a merger of Lots 9-14 of Tract 2778.			

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Rather than having the possibility of 6 separate buildings on 6 parcels, this project will be on one larger parcel. Therefore the impacts from the larger project should not exceed what was originally anticipated with 6 separate lots. The wine production facility will be providing a pretreatment facility that will handle the waste water from the facility prior to going into the City sewer system. The project will be required to meet all criteria established by the City's Industrial Waste division.

XV	III. MANDATORY FINDINGS OF SIGNIFICANCE
a.	Does the project have the potential to degrade the quality of the environment, substantially reduce the habitat of a fish or wildlife species, cause a fish or wildlife population to drop below self-sustaining
	Discussion: The proposed project consists of adding a 66,000 square foot wine storage building to the existing winery facility that is located within an existing Industrial/Business Park. The site is located within Tract 2778-2 which will be an extension of the existing Golden Hills Business Park. As noted within this environmental document a previous Mitigated Negative Declaration was prepared and identified impacts related to biological resources and, traffic impacts. There are existing streets and utilities that will be extended to this site and will provide access and utilities to the other parcels within Tract 2778-2. As indicated within the initial study there are mitigation measures to address impacts related to biological impacts. Also indicated in this Initial Study, an Archeological Study was previously prepared for this site which concluded that there were no know cultural or historic resources located on this site. The site is routinely maintained and mowed, so impact to fish, wildlife, of plant habitat is less than significant.
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)?
	Discussion: The proposed project consists of adding a 66,000 square foot wine storage building to the existing winery facility that is located within an existing Industrial/Business Park. The site is located within Tract 2778-2 which will be an extension of the existing Golden Hills Business Park. The proposed project is the type of development that was anticipated with the development of the Golden Hills Business Park. Therefore, the project will not have impacts that are individually limited, but cumulatively considerable.

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

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EARLIER ANALYSIS AND BACKGROUND MATERIALS.

Earlier analyses may be used where, pursuant to tiering, program EIR, or other CEQA process, one or more effects have been adequately analyzed in an earlier EIR or negative declaration. Section 15063 (c)(3)(D).

Earlier Documents Prepared and Utilized in this Analysis and Background / Explanatory Materials

Reference #	Document Title	Available for Review at:			
1	City of Paso Robles General Plan	City of Paso Robles Community Development Department 1000 Spring Street Paso Robles, CA 93446			
2	City of Paso Robles Zoning Code	Same as above			
3	City of Paso Robles Environmental Impact Report for General Plan Update	Same as above			
4	2005 Airport Land Use Plan	Same as above			
5	City of Paso Robles Municipal Code	Same as above			
6	City of Paso Robles Water Master Plan	Same as above			
7	City of Paso Robles Urban Water Management Plan 2005	Same as above			
8	City of Paso Robles Sewer Master Plan	Same as above			
9	City of Paso Robles Housing Element	Same as above			
10	City of Paso Robles Standard Conditions of Approval for New Development	Same as above			
11	San Luis Obispo County Air Pollution Control District Guidelines for Impact Thresholds	APCD 3433 Roberto Court San Luis Obispo, CA 93401			
12	San Luis Obispo County – Land Use Element	San Luis Obispo County Department of Planning County Government Center San Luis Obispo, CA 93408			
13	USDA, Soils Conservation Service, Soil Survey of San Luis Obispo County, Paso Robles Area, 1983	Soil Conservation Offices Paso Robles, Ca 93446			
14	Resolution 06-027, MND for Tract 2778	City of Paso Robles Community Development Department			
Attachment 1: Mitigation Agreement with Monitoring Table					

For Justin Vineyard and Winery (PD 11-005 Amendment) Mitigation and Monitoring Plan Exhibit A

The following environmental Mitigation Measures were either incorporated into the approved plans or were incorporated into the Conditions of Approval. Each and every Mitigation Measure listed below has been found by the approving body to lessen the level of environmental impact of the project to a less than significant level. A completed and signed checklist for each mitigation measure indicates that it has been completed.

Explanation of Headings:

Monitoring Dept. or Agency Shown on Plans

Verified Implementation Remarks

When a MM is shown on the plans, this column will be initialed & dated Dept or Agency responsible for monitoring a particular MM Project, ongoing, cumulative

When a MM has been implemented, this column will be initial & dated

Area for describing status of ongoing MM, or other information

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Monitoring

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Monitoring Department or Agency	Project Biologist with Letter to Planning Dept. once complete, prior to issuance of a Grading Permit.
Type	Project
Mitigation Measure	 BR-2 Prior to issuance of grading and/or construction permits, the applicant shall provide evidence that they have retained a qualified biologist acceptable to the City Planning Division. The retained biologist shall perform the following monitoring activities: a. Prior to issuance of grading and/or construction permits and within 30 days prior to initiation of site disturbance and/or construction, the biologist shall conduct a pre-activity (i.e. pre-construction) survey for known or potential kit fox dens and submit a letter to the City reporting the date the survey was conducted, the survey protocol, survey results, and what measures were necessary (and completed), as applicable, to address any kit fox activity within the project limits.

	Mitigation Measure	Туре	Monitoring Department or Agency	Shown on Plans	Verified Implementation	Remarks
ف	The qualified biologist shall conduct weekly site visits during site-disturbance activities (i.e. grading, disking, excavation, stock piling of dirt or gravel, etc.) that proceed longer than 14 days, for the purpose of monitoring compliance with required Mitigation Measures BR-3 through BR11. Site- disturbance activities lasting up to 14 days do not require weekly monitoring by the biologist unless observations of kit fox or their dens are made on-site or the qualified biologist recommends monitoring for some other reason (see BR-2-c3). When weekly monitoring is required, the biologist shall submit weekly monitoring reports to the City.					
ن ا	Prior to or during project activities, if any observations are made of San Joaquin Kit fox, or any known or potential San Joaquin Kit fox, or any known or potential San Joaquin Kit fox dens are discovered within the project limits, the qualified biologist shall re-assess the probability of incidental take (e.g. harm or death) to kit fox. At the time a den is discovered, the qualified biologist shall contact the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and the Department for guidance on possible additional kit fox protection measures to implement and whether or not a Federal and/or State incidental take permit is needed. If a potential den is encountered during construction, work shall stop until such time the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service/Department determine it is appropriate to resume work. If incidental take of kit fox during project activities is possible, before project activities commence , the applicant must consult with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and the Department (see contact information below). The results of this consultation may require the applicant to obtain a Federal and/or State permit for incidental take during project activities. The applicant					

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should be aware that the presence of kit foxes or known or potential kit fox dens at the project site could result in further delays of project activities. In addition, the qualified biologist shall implement the following measures:					
disturbance and/or construction, fenced exclusion zones shall be established around all known and potential kit fox dens. Exclusion zone fencing shall consist of either large flagged stakes connected by rope or cord, or survey laths or wooden stakes prominently flagged with survey ribbon. Each exclusion zone shall be roughly circular in configuration with a radius of the following distance measured outward from the den or burrow entrances:					
a) Potential kit fox den: 50 feetb) Known or active kit fox den: 100 feetc) Kit fox pupping den: 150 feet					
2. All foot and vehicle traffic, as well as all construction activities, including storage of supplies and equipment, shall remain outside of exclusion zones. Exclusion zones shall be maintained until all project-related disturbances have been terminated, and then shall be removed.					
3. If kit foxes or known or potential kit fox dens are found on site, daily monitoring during ground disturbing activities shall be required by a qualified biologist.					
BR-3 Prior to issuance of grading and/or construction permits, the applicant shall clearly delineate as a note on the project plans, that: "Speed signs of 25 mph (or lower) shall be posted for all construction traffic to					

Mitigation Measure	Type	Monitoring Department or Agency	Shown on Plans	Verified Implementation	Remarks
minimize the probability of road mortality of the San Joaquin Kit fox". Speed limit signs shall be installed on the project site within 30 days prior to initiation of site disturbance and/or construction,					
In addition, prior to permit issuance and initiation of any ground disturbing activities , conditions BR-3 through BR-11 of the Developer's Statement/Conditions of Approval shall be clearly delineated on project plans.					
BR-4 During the site disturbance and/or construction phase , grading and construction activities after dusk shall be prohibited unless coordinated through the City, during which additional kit fox mitigation measures may be required.					
construction permit and within 30 days prior to initiation of site disturbance and/or construction, all personnel associated with the project shall attend a worker education training program, conducted by a qualified biologist, to avoid or reduce impacts on sensitive biological resources (i.e. San Joaquin kit fox). At a minimum, as the program relates to the kit fox, the training shall include the kit fox's life history, all mitigation measures specified by the City, as well as any related biological report(s) prepared for the project. The applicant shall notify the City shortly prior to this meeting. A kit fox fact sheet shall also be developed prior to the training program, and distributed at the training program to all contractors, employers and other personnel involved with the construction of the project.					
BR-6 During the site-disturbance and/or construction phase, to prevent entrapment of the San					

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Joaquin kit fox, all excavation, steep-walled holes or trenches in excess of two feet in depth shall be covered at the close of each working day by plywood or similar materials, or provided with one or more escape ramps constructed of earth fill or wooden planks. Trenches shall also be inspected for entrapped kit fox each morning prior to onset of field activities and immediately prior to covering with plywood at the end of each working day. Before such holes or trenches are filled, they shall be thoroughly inspected for entrapped kit fox. Any kit fox so discovered shall be allowed to escape before field activities resume, or removed from the trench or hole by a qualified biologist and allowed to escape unimpeded.					
BR-7 During the site-disturbance and/or construction phase , any pipes, culverts, or similar structures with a diameter of four inches or greater, stored overnight at the project site shall be thoroughly inspected for trapped San Joaquin Kit foxes before the subject pipe is subsequently buried, capped, or otherwise used or moved in any way. If during the construction phase a kit fox is discovered inside a pipe, that section of pipe will not be moved, or if necessary, be moved only once to remove it from the path of activity, until the kit fox has escaped.					
bR-8 During the site-disturbance and/or construction phase, all food-related trash items such as wrappers, cans, bottles, and food scraps generated shall be disposed of in closed containers only and regularly removed from the site. Food items may attract San Joaquin kit foxes onto the project site, consequently exposing such animals to increased risk of injury or mortality. No deliberate feeding of wildlife shall be allowed.					

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BR-9 Prior to, during and after the site-disturbance and/or construction phase, use of pesticides or herbicides shall be in compliance with all local, state and federal regulations. This is necessary to minimize the probability of primary or secondary poisoning of endangered species utilizing adjacent habitats, and the depletion of prey upon which San Joaquin kit foxes depend.					
construction phase, any contractor or employee that inadvertently kills or injures a San Joaquin kit fox or who finds any such animal either dead, injured, or entrapped shall be required to report the incident immediately to the applicant and City. In the event that any observations are made of injured or dead kit fox, the applicant shall immediately notify the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and the Department by telephone (see contact information below). In addition, formal notification shall be provided in writing within three working days of the finding of any such animal(s). Notification shall include the date, time, location and circumstances of the incident. Any threatened or endangered species found dead or injured shall be turned over immediately to the Department for care, analysis, or disposition.					
BR-11 Prior to final inspection, or occupancy, whichever comes first, should any long internal or perimeter fencing be proposed or installed, the applicant shall do the following to provide for kit fox passage:					
 a. If a wire strand/pole design is used, the lowest strand shall be no closer to the ground than 12". 					
b. If a more solid wire mesh fence is used, 8" x 12"					

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openings near the ground shall be provided every 100 yards.					
BR-12 The storm drain shown on the plans shall be adjusted away from Tree #807 and Tree #801 to the satisfaction of the project Arborist.	B12-B16 with Project	Project Arborist with Letter to Planning Dept. once complete			
BR-13 All trenching and grading operations within the Critical Root Zone of any oak trees shall be monitored as deemed necessary by the project Arborist.	,	prior to issuance of Grading Permit.			
BR-14 Limb trimming and removal as indicated in the Arborist report may be necessary to mitigate large limb failure. The project manager shall work with the project Arborist to take care of any necessary trimming identified by the Project Arborist.					
BR-15 Protective fencing and signage shall be installed to the satisfaction of the Project Arborist, prior to the issuance of a Grading Permit.					
BR-16 The Fire access road shown on the plans shall be constructed in a manner that meets the requirements of the City Oak Tree Ordinance. The project Arborist shall review the grading plans to insure the road is placed in the best alignment possible, to minimize the impacts to the oak trees.					