### **RESOLUTION NO: 14-012**

## A RESOLUTION OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF EL PASO DE ROBLES APPROVING A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR PLANNED DEVELOPMENT 13-005 (WILCOX RANCH, LP)

WHEREAS, PD 13-005 has been submitted by Aaron Johnson, on behalf of Wilcox Ranch, LP to establish an equestrian facility and horse keeping on the 7.7 acre site located at the northeast corner of Sherwood Road and Fontana Road (1448 Fontana Road); and

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

WHEREAS, Public Notice of the proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration was distributed as required by Section 21092 of the Public Resources Code and no written comments have been submitted; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was conducted by the Planning Commission on April 22, 2014, to consider facts as presented in the staff report prepared for this project, and to accept public testimony regarding this proposed Development Plan, and associated Mitigated Negative Declaration; and

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

WHEREAS, the Mitigation Monitoring Program, attached as Exhibit C 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 13-003 (Section 3) as site specific conditions summarized below.

Topic of Mitigation	Condition #	
Air Quality	AQ 1- AQ 4	

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Planning Commission of the City of El Paso de Robles, based on its independent judgment, approves a Mitigated Negative Declaration for CUP 13-005, in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act; and

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PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Planning Commission of the City of Paso Robles this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of April, 2014 by the following vote:

AYES:

Gregory, Garcia, Rollins, Donaldson, Vanderlip, Barth

NOES:

Cooper

ABSENT:

None

ABSTAIN:

None

DOUG BARTH, CHARIMAN

ATTEST:

ED GALLAGHER, PLANNING COMMISSION SECRETARY

### ENVIRONMENTAL INITIAL STUDY CHECKLIST FORM CITY OF PASO ROBLES

1. PROJECT TITLE: Conditional Use Permit 13-005

**Concurrent Entitlements:** 

**2. LEAD AGENCY:** City of Paso Robles

1000 Spring Street

Paso Robles, CA 93446

**Contact:** Darren Nash **Phone:** (805) 237-3970

**3. PROJECT LOCATION:** 1448 Fontana Road, Paso Robles, CA (APN:

025-381-008)

**4. PROJECT PROPONENT:** Wilcox Ranch, LP

**Contact Person:** Aaron P. Johnson, Moncrief & Hart

**Phone:** (831) 759-0900

Email: Aaron@JohnsonMoncrief.com

**5. GENERAL PLAN DESIGNATION:** RA (Residential Agriculture)

**6. ZONING:** RS (Residential Suburban)

7. **PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** Request for the approval of a Conditional Use Permit (CUP) to establish an equestrian facility and horse keeping. The applicant would board up to forty (40) horses on site, some of which are used for the trainers' personal use and most of which are used for training youth on western horseback riding (the main reason for the CUP). Equestrian activities will be conducted outdoors in an arena area located at the southeastern portion of the property. No other events are requested as part of the CUP.

**8. ENVIRONMENTAL SETTING:** The 7.7 acre site is located at the northeast corner of Sherwood Road and Fontana Road. The structures on the property include the original house and barn for the Chandler Ranch. Some of the original corrals and water troughs still remain from the historic cattle ranch activities on the Chandler Ranch.

The property is relatively flat, and besides the areas where the house, barn and driveways are located, the property consists of the native dirt (soils).

The site is located adjacent to the western boundary of the Quail Run Mobile Home Park. The impacts of the activities from the proposed equestrian facility, mainly dust, odor, and flies resulting from the horses, is the main discussion within this environmental review.

9. OTHER AGENCIES WHOSE APPROVAL IS REQUIRED (AND PERMITS NEEDED): Air Pollution Control District.

### ENVIRONMENTAL FACTORS POTENTIALLY AFFECTED:

The environmental factors checked below would be potentially affected by this project, involving

at least one impact that is a "Potentially Significant Impact" as indicated by the checklist on the following pages. Aesthetics Agriculture and Forestry  $\square$ Air Quality Resources **Biological Resources Cultural Resources** Geology /Soils Hazards & Hazardous Hydrology / Water Greenhouse Gas **Emissions** Materials Quality Mineral Resources Noise Land Use / Planning Population / Housing **Public Services** Recreation Transportation/Traffic Utilities / Service Systems Mandatory Findings of Significance **DETERMINATION:** (To be completed by the Lead Agency) On the basis of this initial evaluation: I find that the proposed project COULD NOT have a significant effect on the environment, and a NEGATIVE DECLARATION will be prepared.  $\boxtimes$ 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. Signature: Date

### **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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Ι.	AESTHETICS: Would the project:						
a.	Have a substantial adverse effect on a scenic vista?						
	Discussion: The site is relatively flat and i properties. The site is not considered a sce			-	-		
b.	Substantially damage scenic resources, including, but not limited to, trees, rock outcroppings, and historic buildings within a state scenic highway?						
	Discussion: There is no development or resignificant trees or rock outcroppings and highway, therefore there will not be an im	the site is not lo	ocated in the pro				
c.	Substantially degrade the existing visual character or quality of the site and its surroundings?						
	Discussion: See discussion in sections a &	b above.					
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)			$\boxtimes$			
	Discussion: All exterior lighting include standard condition of approval requires to produce off-site glare. The condition requires	hat exterior ligl	ht fixtures be sl	nielded so that	they do not		
res La	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?						

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b.	Conflict with existing zoning for agricultural use, or a Williamson Act contract?				
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))?				
d.	Result in the loss of forest land or conversion of forest land to non-forest use?				
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?				$\boxtimes$
	Discussion (a-e): This project consists of a and horse keeping on the 7.7 -acre site that ranching activities. There is no construction	nt has historica	lly been used for	cattle grazing	and
	The project is zoned residential agricul activities on this site in the past, it has not considered forest land. There will be no in	t been used for	r farming of row	crops. The sit	e is also not

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qu	<b>III. AIR QUALITY:</b> Where available, the significance criteria established by the applicable air quality management or air pollution control district may be relied upon to make the following determinations. Would the project:						
a.	Conflict with or obstruct implementation of the applicable air quality plan? (Source: 11)						
b.	Violate any air quality standard or contribute substantially to an existing or projected air quality violation? (Source: 11)						
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)						

Discussion (a-d): This project consists of a Conditional Use Permit to allow horse riding lessons and horse keeping on a 7.7- acre site that has historically been used for cattle grazing and ranching activities. There is no construction or grading activities associated with this CUP request.

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d. Expose sensitive receptors to substantial

(Source: 11 & Attachment 2 & 3)

pollutant concentrations?

The main topic of concern with this proposed CUP is the fugitive dust (dust leaving the site onto adjacent properties) that is created as a result of the equestrian business. The Quail Run mobile home park is located adjacent to the property and has experienced dust impacts from the existing horse activities on the site. It has been determined that the dust is not necessarily from the riding lessons, but mostly from the cars coming and going from the site and horses in the pen areas. As a result of current drought years, there has not been much vegetation on the ground so the land within the pen areas is very dry and minimal animal or vehicle activity creates dust.

The concern of Valley Fever has been raised by residents in Quail Run mobile home park. Since the Valley Fever virus is transported by airborne dust, it is more evident that dust control needs to be addressed and mitigated. The City contacted both the SLO County Health Department and the SLO County AG Commissioners office to determine if there are specific criteria that could be implemented with this project to prevent Valley Fever. Both indicated that dust control is the best

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way to control valley fever.

The applicants have taken measures to help prevent dust on site such as: having a paved driveway from Fontana Road extending approximately 500-feet into the site; installing compacted base material in the parking and internal drive areas; and placing sand in the arena and horse stalls. Even with the measures listed above, it is anticipated that the equestrian facility will generate dust, mainly from horses moving about the pens and vehicles entering and leaving the site.

City staff consulted with San Luis Obispo County APCD staff to develop the following mitigation measures to reduce dust impacts to a level of insignificance:

- AQ-1 Section 3.6.3 Fugitive Dust, of the 2012 APCD CEQA Handbook and more specifically describes that a potential source of fugitive dust can come from equestrian facilities, which may be a nuisance to local residents. To minimize nuisance impacts and to reduce fugitive dust emissions from equestrian facilities the following mitigation measures should be incorporated into the project:
  - a. Reduce the amount of the disturbed area where possible;
  - b. Use water trucks or sprinkler systems in sufficient quantities to prevent airborne dust from leaving the site. Increased watering frequency whenever wind speeds exceed 15 mph. Reclaimed (non-potable) water shall be used whenever possible;
  - c. Permanent dust control measures shall be implemented as soon as possible following completion of any soil disturbing activities;
  - d. All disturbed soil areas not subject to revegetation shall be stabilized using approved chemical soil binders, jute netting, or other methods approved in advance by the Air District:
  - e. All access roads and parking areas associated with the facility should be paved to reduce fugitive dust. As an alternative, an all-weather surface such as decomposed granite can be used, subject to the conditions outlined within mitigation measure AQ-2; and.
  - f. A person or persons shall be designated to monitor for dust and implement additional control measures as necessary to prevent transport of dust offsite. The monitor's duties shall include holidays and weekend. The name and telephone number of such persons shall be provided to the Air District prior to operation of the arena.
- AQ-2 An alternative to paving the parking and internal driveway areas is to utilize an all-weather surface such as decomposed granite, along with the addition of a soil binding agent, the installation of rumble strips, and the use of water to reduce dust.

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	AQ-3	Prior to the issuance of a business Planning Staff review and approve and indicates the program in whice	al that incorpor	ates the dust con	-	
e. sub		objectionable odors affecting a number of people? (Source: 11)				
	odors l	sion: The manure associated with t leaving the site. The nearest pen way from the western property bour andary.	here horses are	e located is an e	xisting pen tha	t is over 80
	The ap	eing said, it will be important that oplicant has indicated that the manu ne horse pen areas on a weekly basi	re is picked up	• •		•
	AQ-4	All animal enclosures, including maintained free from litter, garba the proliferation of flies, other dis in a neat and sanitary manner.	ige and the acc	cumulation of m	anure, so as to	discourage
IV a.	Have a directly on any sensitive local or regulate Depart	OGICAL RESOURCES: Would a substantial adverse effect, either y or through habitat modifications, species identified as a candidate, we, or special status species in a regional plans, policies, or tions, or by the California ament of Fish and Game or U.S. and Wildlife Service?	the project:			$\boxtimes$
b.	riparia commi plans, Califor	a substantial adverse effect on any n habitat or other sensitive natural unity identified in local or regional policies, regulations or by the rnia Department of Fish and Game Fish and Wildlife Service?				$\boxtimes$

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c.	Have a substantial adverse effect on federally protected wetlands as defined by Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (including, but not limited to, marsh, vernal pool, coastal, etc.) through direct removal, filling, hydrological interruption, or other means?				
d.	Interfere substantially with the movement of any native resident or migratory fish or wildlife species or with established native resident or migratory wildlife corridors, or impede the use of native wildlife nursery sites?				
e.	Conflict with any local policies or ordinances protecting biological resources, such as a tree preservation policy or ordinance?				$\boxtimes$
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?				$\boxtimes$

Discussion (a-f): This project consists of a Conditional Use Permit to allow horse riding lessons and horse keeping on a 7.7-acre site that has historically been used for cattle grazing and ranching activities. There is no construction or grading activities associated with this CUP request.

This site has perimeter fencing that has been in place for many years that will remain in place in its current location. Internal fencing will change to create the horse pens and riding arena areas. All fencing and corals would contain large animals (horses and cattle) but allow for smaller animals to pass through.

This CUP application is to study impacts related to the operation of the equestrian facility and horse keeping activities with no significant ground disturbing activities or relocation of perimeter fencing when compared to the historic cattle operations therefore, the addition of this land use to the existing property will not be an impact to biological resources.

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v.	CULTURAL RESOURCES: Would the I	project:			
a.	Cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a historical resource as defined in §15064.5?				$\boxtimes$
b.	Cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of an archaeological resource pursuant to §15064.5?			$\boxtimes$	
c.	Directly or indirectly destroy a unique paleontological resource or site or unique geologic feature?			$\boxtimes$	
d.	Disturb any human remains, including those interred outside of formal cemeteries?			$\boxtimes$	
	Discussion (a-d): This project consists of a 7.7 acre site that has historically been use construction or grading activities associate from the project on this environmental fact	ed for cattle gr d with this CU	azing and ranchi	ng activities. Th	nere is no
VI	. GEOLOGY AND SOILS: Would the pro	oject:			
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)				

### **Significant Significant Significant Impact Impact Impact** with Mitigation **Incorporated** Discussion: There are no structures be constructed for this proposed CUP, so there is no impact. ii. Strong seismic ground shaking? $\boxtimes$ (Sources: 1, 2, & 3) Discussion: The General Plan EIR identified impacts resulting from ground shaking as less than significant and provided mitigation measures that will be incorporated into the design of this project including adequate structural design and not constructing over active or potentially active faults. Therefore, impacts that may result from seismic ground shaking are considered less than significant. iii. Seismic-related ground failure, $\boxtimes$ including liquefaction? (Sources: 1, 2 & 3) Discussion: Per the General Plan EIR, the project site is located in an area with soil conditions that have a low potential for liquefaction or other type of ground failure due to seismic events and soil conditions. To implement the EIR's mitigation measures to reduce this potential impact, the City has a standard condition to require submittal of soils and geotechnical reports, which include site-specific analysis of liquefaction potential for all building permits for new construction, and incorporation of the recommendations of said reports into the design of the project. $\boxtimes$ iv. Landslides? Discussion: Per the General Plan Safety Element, the project site is in an area that is designated a low-risk area for landslides. Therefore, potential impacts due to landslides is less than significant. b. Result in substantial soil erosion or the $\boxtimes$ loss of topsoil? (Sources: 1, 2, & 3) Discussion: there is no grading necessary as part of this CUP, so there will not be an imapct. c. Be located on a geologic unit or soil that is unstable, or that would become unstable as a result of the project, and $\boxtimes$ potentially result in on- or off-site landslide, lateral spreading, subsidence, liquefaction or collapse?

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	Discussion: See response to item a.iii, abo	ove.				
d.	Be located on expansive soil, as defined in Table 18-1-B of the California Building Code, creating substantial risks to life or property?					
	Discussion: See response to item a.iii, abo	ove.				
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?					
	Discussion (a-d): There is no development impact to existing septic systems related to		_	therefore there	will be no	
VI	I. GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS:	Would the pro	ject:			
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?					
	Discussion (a-b): This project consists of a Conditional Use Permit to allow horse riding lessons and horse keeping on a 7.7 acre site that has historically been used for cattle grazing and ranching activities. There is no construction or grading activities associated with this CUP request.					
	The addition of the horse riding lessons are coming and going from the site, however to from the equestrian lessons and horse keep impact.	the greenhouse	gas emissions re	esulting from 8	to 12 trips	

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VI	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?				$\boxtimes$				
c.	Emit hazardous emissions or handle hazardous or acutely hazardous materials, substances, or waste within one-quarter mile of an existing or proposed school?				$\boxtimes$				
d.	Be located on a site which is included on a list of hazardous materials sites compiled pursuant to Government Code Section 65962.5 and, as a result, would it create a significant hazard to the public or the environment?								
e.	For a project located within an airport land use plan or, where such a plan has not been adopted, within two miles of a public airport or public use airport, would the project result in a safety hazard for people residing or working in the project area?								
f.	For a project within the vicinity of a private airstrip, would the project result in a safety hazard for people residing or working in the project area?								
g.	Impair implementation of or physically interfere with an adopted emergency response plan or emergency evacuation plan?				$\boxtimes$				

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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?				$\boxtimes$
	Discussion (a-h): This project consists of a 7.7 acre site that has historically been use construction or grading activities associate from the project on this environmental fac	ed for cattle grand with this CU	azing and ranchi	ng activities. Ti	nere is no
IX	. HYDROLOGY AND WATER QUALIT	Γ <b>Y:</b> Would the	project:		
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)				$\boxtimes$
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				$\boxtimes$

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	on- or off-site? (Source: 10)		incorporate a		
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?				
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?				
h.	Place within a 100-year flood hazard area structures which would impede or redirect flood flows?				$\boxtimes$
i.	Expose people or structures to a significant risk of loss, injury or death involving flooding, including flooding as a result of the failure of a levee or dam?				
j.	Inundation by mudflow?				$\boxtimes$
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?				$\boxtimes$

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Discussion (a-l): This project consists of a Conditional Use Permit to allow horse riding lessons on a 7.7 acre site that has historically been used for cattle grazing and ranching activities. There is no construction or grading activities associated with this CUP request, therefore there is no impact from the project on this environmental factor.

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Λ.	K. LAND USE AND PLANNING: Would the project:							
a.	Physically divide an established community?							
	Discussion: This project consists of a Coracre site that has historically been used for construction or grading activities associate from the project on this environmental fac	cattle grazinged with this CU	and ranching ac	tivities. There	is no			
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?							
	Discussion: The project site has a zoning of	designation of l	Recidential Acri	culture (RA). F	Equestrian			

Discussion: The project site has a zoning designation of Residential Agriculture (RA). Equestrian facilities are allowed in the RA zone with the approval of a Conditional Use Permit (CUP). The reason for the CUP is to determine if the proposed land use is compatible with the neighboring land uses. Conditions of approval can be added to make a project more compatible.

The project site is adjacent to an existing mobile home park (Quail Run) along the western property line. Concerns have been raised from the Quail Run residents related to dust, odor and flies that would be generated from the proposed equestrian facility.

The 7.7 acre site has historically been used for cattle grazing and ranching activities. Mitigation measures have been identified as being necessary to reduce impacts from the project related to dust, odor and flies. Those mitigation measures have been identified in the Air Quality (Section III) of this environmental initial study.

The applicants have met with the neighbors to discuss ways to minimize and control dust, flies and odor. Regarding land use and planning, if the Planning Commission approves the CUP with the identified mitigation measures and conditions of approval, impacts to land use and planning would be less than significant.

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c.	Conflict with any applicable habitat conservation plan or natural community conservation plan?				
	Discussion (c): There is no conservation p	lan associated	with this propert	y.	
XI	. MINERAL RESOURCES: Would the p	roject:			
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 re-	esources at this	project 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 re	esources at this	project site.		
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?				

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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?				
	Discussion (a-d): This project consists of a 7.7 acre site that has historically been us construction or grading activities associate include up to 20 people including students that is located on the east side of the barn. conversation amongst the 20 people, it is not a side of the same conversation amongst the 20 people, it is not a side of the barn.	sed for cattle graded with this CU and parents. The While there with the sed of the control of the sed of the control of the sed of	azing and ranchi P request. The r he training area ill be increased i	ing activities. The iding lessons we would be in the noise from gene	here is no ould arena area
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 project site is not located	within an airpo	ort safety zone.		
XI	II. POPULATION AND HOUSING: Wo	ould 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?				

		Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant with Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
c.	Displace substantial numbers of people, necessitating the construction of replacement housing elsewhere?				
	Discussion (a-c): This project consists of a 7.7 acre site that has historically been us construction or grading activities associate from the project on this environmental fac	ed for cattle grand ed with this CU	azing and ranchi	ng activities. Th	nere is no
ass phy env	V. PUBLIC SERVICES: Would the cociated with the provision of new or physysically altered governmental facilities, vironmental impacts, in order to maintage formance objectives for any of the public services.	visically altered the construc in acceptable	tion of which	facilities, need could cause	for new or significant s or other
a.	Fire protection? (Sources: 1,10)		Ш		
b.	Police protection? (Sources: 1,10)				
c.	Schools?				$\boxtimes$
d.	Parks?				
e.	Other public facilities? (Sources: 1,10)				$\boxtimes$
	Discussion (a-e): This project consists of a 7.7 acre site that has historically been us			-	

Discussion (a-e): This project consists of a Conditional Use Permit to allow horse riding lessons on a 7.7 acre site that has historically been used for cattle grazing and ranching activities. There is no construction or grading activities associated with this CUP request, therefore there is no impact from the project on this environmental factor.

		Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant with Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
XV	V. 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?				$\boxtimes$
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?				$\boxtimes$
	Discussion (a&b):				
	The equestrian lessons use would not enco facilities, it will not result in impacts to re	creational facil	ities.	nd use of recrea	tional
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?	ould the project			
b.					

### Potentially Less Than Less Than No Significant Significant Significant Impact Impact with Impact Mitigation Incorporated

Discussion (a,b): It is anticipated that this project would have at the most 20 people visiting the site for lessons at any one time, which would include 12 students and 8 parents. Assuming there would be 8-12 visiting vehicles, there would be no impact associated with transportation or traffic.

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?				
	Discussion: The project site is not located	within an air	port land use plant	ning area.	
d.	Substantially increase hazards due to a design feature (e.g., sharp curves or dangerous intersections) or incompatible uses (e.g., farm equipment)?				
	Discussion: There are no hazardous design this project.	features ass	ociated with, plans	ned for or will	result from
e.	Result in inadequate emergency access?				$\boxtimes$
	Discussion: The project will not impede e emergency access safety features and to Cit				nce with all
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: See discussion in section a & l	b above.			
XV	II. UTILITIES AND SERVICE SYSTEM	<b>1S:</b> Would th	ne project:		
a.	Exceed wastewater treatment requirements of the applicable Regional Water Quality Control Board?				

		Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant with Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
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 projects projected demand in addition to the providers existing commitments?				$\boxtimes$
f.	Be served by a landfill with sufficient permitted capacity to accommodate the project's solid waste disposal needs?				
g.	Comply with federal, state, and local statutes and regulations related to solid waste?				
	Discussion (a-g): This project consists of a 7.7 acre site that has historically been use				

construction or grading activities associated with this CUP request, therefore there is no impact from the project on utilities and service systems.

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V	ZIII. MANDATODY EINDINGS OF SIGNI	EICANCE			
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a.	Does the project have the potential to degrade the quality of the environment, substantially reduce the habitat of a fish or wildlife species, cause a fish or wildlife population to drop below self-sustaining levels, threaten to eliminate a plant or animal community, reduce the number or restrict the range of a rare or endangered plant or animal or eliminate important examples of the major periods of California history or prehistory?				
	Discussion: This project consists of a Conditionacre site that has historically been used for calconstruction or grading activities associated with the fish, wildlife, of plant habitat.	attle grazing	and ranching ac	tivities. There i	is no
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 project will not have impact considerable.	ts that are in	dividually limite	ed, but cumulat	ively
c.	Does the project have environmental effects which will cause substantial adverse effects on human beings, either directly or indirectly?			$\boxtimes$	
	Discussion: As determined in this document, measures to control dust, flies and odor that r dust, flies an odors can be an annoyance, with	esults from	the keeping of h	orses on this si	te. While

substantial adverse effects either directly or indirectly, will be less than significant.

### 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 #	<b>Document Title</b>	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

### **Attachments:**

- 1.
- Vicinity Map/Site Plan Mitigation Measure Summary 2.



### Mitigation Measures Summary

### Air Quality:

- AQ-1 Section 3.6.3 Fugitive Dust, of the 2012 APCD CEQA Handbook and more specifically describes that a potential source of fugitive dust can come from equestrian facilities, which may be a nuisance to local residents. To minimize nuisance impacts and to reduce fugitive dust emissions from equestrian facilities the following mitigation measures should be incorporated into the project:
  - a. Reduce the amount of the disturbed area where possible;
  - b. Use water trucks or sprinkler systems in sufficient quantities to prevent airborne dust from leaving the site. Increased watering frequency whenever wind speeds exceed 15 mph. Reclaimed (non-potable) water shall be used whenever possible;
  - c. Permanent dust control measures shall be implemented as soon as possible following completion of any soil disturbing activities;
  - d. All disturbed soil areas not subject to revegetation shall be stabilized using approved chemical soil binders, jute netting, or other methods approved in advance by the Air District;
  - e. All access roads and parking areas associated with the facility should be paved to reduce fugitive dust. As an alternative, an all-weather surface such as decomposed granite can be used, subject to the conditions outlined within mitigation measure AQ-2; and,
  - f. A person or persons shall be designated to monitor for dust and implement additional control measures as necessary to prevent transport of dust offsite. The monitor's duties shall include holidays and weekend. The name and telephone number of such persons shall be provided to the Air District prior to operation of the arena.
- AQ-2 An alternative to paving the parking and internal driveway areas is to utilize an all-weather surface such as decomposed granite, along with the addition of a soil binding agent, the installation of rumble strips, and the use of water to reduce dust.
- AQ-3 Prior to the issuance of a business license, a dust control plan shall be provided for Planning Staff review and approval that incorporates the dust control measures listed above and indicates the program in which they will be implemented.
- AQ-4 All animal enclosures, including but not limited to pens, stalls and feed areas shall be maintained free from litter, garbage and the accumulation of manure, so as to discourage the proliferation of flies, other disease vectors and offensive odors. Site shall be maintained in a neat and sanitary manner.

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### CITY OF EL PASO DE ROBLES

"The Pass of the Oaks"

### CITY OF EL PASO DE ROBLES MITIGATION AND REIMBURSEMENT AGREEMENT FOR PROPOSED NEGATIVE DECLARATION

Lead Agency: City of El Paso de Robles ("City")

Director of Community Development

1000 Spring Street Paso Robles, CA 93446

City Contact Person: Darren Nash Phone: (805) 237-3970

Project Title: Associate Planner

Discretionary Application(s) File No.(s): CUP 13-005\_

Project Applicant: Wilcox Ranch, LP – Aaron Johnson (representative)

Owner: Wilcox Ranch, LP

Project Description/Location: <u>Equestrian facility with riding lessons and horse keeping.</u>

### **MITIGATION AGREEMENT:**

### As the Applicant/Owner:

- A) I/we hereby agree to incorporate all mitigation measures into future development plans, to the satisfaction of the City, as identified in the related Project Initial Study and Project development conditions (collectively "mitigation measures").
- B) I/we hereby agree to comply with the Project Mitigation Monitoring Program adopted or approved by the City.
- C) I/we also understand that additional mitigation measures may be required following the review of the Proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration by the public and by the applicable advisory and final decision-making bodies. I/we hereby agree to incorporate all additional mitigation measures into future development plans, to the satisfaction of the City.
- D) I/we acknowledge and agree that, notwithstanding the Applicant's mitigation obligations under this Agreement, the City is not obligated to approve any or all of the proposed uses or permits for the Property, to approve a Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Project, or General Plan or Municipal Code amendments or other entitlements which may be required for any of the uses contemplated for the Project/Property.

### **FUTURE INDEPENDENT CEQA REVIEW:**

As the Applicant/Owner, I/we understand and hereby agree that in addition to the mitigation measures, the City reserves the right to monitor compliance with the Mitigation Measures and may utilize Environmental Consultants to assist in monitoring Project construction to ensure compliance. City costs for monitoring compliance shall be reimbursed by Applicant prior to City issuing a Certificate of Occupancy.

### **LEGAL CHALLENGES:**

Nothing herein shall be construed to require City to defend any third party claims and suits challenging any action taken by the City with regard to any procedure or substantive aspect of the City's approval of development of the Property, the environmental process, or the proposed uses of the Property. The Applicant may, however, in its sole and absolute discretion appear as real party in interest in any such third party and action or proceeding. If the City defends such action or proceeding, the Applicant shall be responsible and reimburse the City for whatever legal fees and costs, in their entirety may be incurred by the City in defense of such action or proceeding. The City shall have the absolute right to retain such legal counsel as the City deems necessary and appropriate. Applicant may, at any time, notify City in writing of its decision to terminate such reimbursement obligation and, thereafter, in the event that the City decides to continue the defense of such third party action or proceeding. Applicant shall have no further obligation to reimburse City for City's attorneys' fees and costs. Applicant shall reimburse City in the event of any award of Court Costs or attorney fees is made against City in favor of any third party challenging either the sufficiency of a negative declaration or EIR or the validity of the City's approval of the Application.

### **MISCELLANEOUS:**

This Agreement shall be binding on the Applicant/Owner and on any assigns or successors in interest.

This Agreement is in addition to, and does not supersede other Project related Agreements between the City and the Project Applicant/Owner.

IN	WITNESS	WHERE	OF, the	<ul><li>Commun</li></ul>	ity Dev	elopment	Director	or	his	assign	١,
rep	resenting the	e City of	El Paso	de Robles,	and the	applicant/	owner ha	ve e	execu	ted this	S
agr	eement on t	his _	day of	,	20						

APPLICANT(S) NAME AND ADDRESS:
APPLICANT(S) NAME AND ADDRESS:
OWNER(S) NAME AND ADDRESS:
OWNER(S) NAME AND ADDRESS:

# Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Plan

Project File No./Name: CUP 13-005 - Wilcox Ranch Equestrian Facility

Approving Resolution No.:

Date: April 22, 2014

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

# See attached Mitigation Summary Table for Mitigation Measure Descriptions.

Mitigation Measure	Туре	Monitoring Dept or Agency	Shown on Plans	Verified Implementation	Remarks
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a. Reduce the amount of the disturbed area where possible;	Project	Planning Division, Building Division			

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			Monitoring Dept or	uwoys	Verified	
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# Explanation of Headings:

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 Monitoring Dept. or Agency Shown on Plans Туре

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

Area for describing status of ongoing MM, or other information

Remarks