

County of Fresno

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EVALUATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS

APPLICANT: Greg Cox

APPLICATION NOS.: Initial Study No. 8043 and Classified Conditional Use Permit

Application No. 3707

DESCRIPTION: Allow a farm supply sales office and farm supply storage on

a 38.67-acre parcel in the AE-20 (Exclusive Agricultural, 20-

acre minimum parcel size) Zone District.

LOCATION: The project site is located on the north side of E. Adams

Avenue, approximately 626 feet east of its intersection with S. Buttonwillow Avenue and is approximately 1.15 miles north of the city limits of the City of Reedley (20068 E.

Adams Avenue) (360-180-24S) (Sup. Dist. 4).

I. AESTHETICS

Except as provided in Public Resources Code Section 21099, would the project:

A. Have a substantial adverse effect on a scenic vista?

FINDING: LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT:

The subject site is located in a predominantly agricultural area with rural single-family residential uses pocketed throughout the region. Images of the subject site depict views of the nearby foothill range located east and northeast of the subject site. Underlying development standards established by the Zone District will regulate construction of the structure to a maximum height of 35 feet. In considering the project will compliance with development standards of the underlying zone district and that no scenic vista would be negatively impacted by the project, a less than significant impact can be seen.

B. Substantially damage scenic resources, including, but not limited to, trees, rock outcroppings, and historic buildings within a state scenic highway?

FINDING: NO IMPACT:

According to Figure OS-2 of the Fresno County General Plan, the project site does not front any identified scenic roadway. There were not identified scenic tree, rock, outcropping, or historic building within a state scenic highway that would be affected by the project proposal.

C. In non-urbanized areas, substantially degrade the existing visual character or quality of public views of the site and its surroundings? (Public views are those that are experienced from publicly accessible vantage point). If the project is in an urbanized area, would the project conflict with applicable zoning and other regulations governing scenic quality?

FINDING: LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT:

The project proposes to construct an office/warehouse building. The warehouse building is planned to be approximately 77,500 square feet and the office proposed to be approximately 5,000 square feet. The subject site is located in a predominantly agricultural area with rural single-family residential uses placed throughout the region. Landscaping is proposed along the parcel fronting E. Adams Avenue. The remaining land of the subject parcel would still be utilized for agricultural production. In considering the proposed construction, public views of the site and the existing visual character would not be significantly impacted.

D. Create a new source of substantial light or glare which would adversely affect day or nighttime views in the area?

FINDING: LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT WITH MITIGATION INCORPORATED:

Review of the Applicant's Operational Statement indicates that outdoor lighting is planned to be utilized on the property for security purposes. Due to the utilization of outdoor lighting, this new source of light and glare would adversely affect nighttime views of the area. Mitigation in the form of design and placement of outdoor lighting will be implemented to ensure less than significant impact on adjacent properties and right-of-way due to the new sources of light and glare.

* Mitigation Measure(s)

1. All outdoor lighting shall be hooded and directed downwards so as not to shine on adjacent properties or public right-of-way.

II. AGRICULTURAL AND FORESTRY 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. In determining whether impacts to forest resources, including timberland, are significant environmental effects, lead agencies may refer to information compiled by the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection regarding the state's inventory of forest land, including the Forest and Range Assessment Project and the Forest Legacy Assessment project; and forest carbon measurement methodology in Forest Protocols adopted by the California Air Resources Board. Would the project:

- A. Convert Prime Farmland, Unique Farmland, or Farmland of Statewide Importance, as shown on the maps prepared pursuant to the Farmland Mapping and Monitoring Program of the California Resources Agency, to non-agricultural use; or
- B. Conflict with existing zoning for agricultural use, or a Williamson Act Contract?

FINDING: LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT:

Review of the 2016 Important Farmland Map indicates that the project site is designated Farmland of Statewide Importance. Review of the submitted site plan indicates that the project proposal would convert approximately 5.8 acres of the subject parcel for the proposed use from the existing agricultural production. The remaining land from the existing 38.67-acre parcel will be utilized. The underlying AE-20 (Exclusive Agricultural, 20-acre minimum parcel size) Zone District allows the proposed use subject to approval of a Conditional Use Permit. In addition to the proposed use being allowed subject to approval of a CUP, the use can be considered supportive of agricultural operations. The subject parcel is not under Williamson Act Contract. In considering the proposed agricultural supportive use and size of the conversion, a less than significant impact is expected.

- C. Conflict with existing zoning for forest land, timberland or timberland zoned Timberland Production; or
- D. Result in the loss of forest land or conversion of forest land to non-forest use?

FINDING: NO IMPACT:

The project site is not situated in forest land or timberland and would not 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?

FINDING: LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT:

The project would result in the conversion of a portion of the subject parcel to accommodate the proposed operation. The proposed operation is supportive of agriculture but would convert a portion of the site from productive farmland. Outside of any expansion of the proposed use on the proposed parcel, which is still subject review under the CUP, conversion of farmland outside of the subject parcel is not likely to occur as the underlying zone district of the area will be unchanged.

III. AIR QUALITY

Where available, the significance criteria established by the applicable air quality management district 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; or
- B. 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?

FINDING: LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT:

The San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District (SJVAPCD) were notified of the subject application. No concerns were expressed by the SJVAPCD to indicate that the project would result in conflict with an applicable Air Quality Plan or result in cumulatively considerable net increases of a criteria pollutant. All applicable SJVAPCD rules and regulations for the permitting and operation of the proposed facility are expected as regulatory requirements. Therefore, with required compliance of all applicable rules and regulations enforced by the SJVAPCD, the project will have a less than significant impact.

- C. Expose sensitive receptors to substantial pollutant concentrations?
- D. Result in other emissions (such as those leading to odors) adversely affecting a substantial number of people?

FINDING: LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT:

No expressed concerns were produced by the SJVAPCD. The nearest sensitive receptor is a single-family residence located approximately 170 feet west of the proposed structure. The proposed operation does not include manufacturing of their equipment and plans to only store the equipment until shipment to customers occurs. Construction of the proposed structure and improvements could increase pollutant concentrations or emissions, but this increase would be temporary. Based on the provided Operation Statement, detailing the proposed operation, pollutant concentrations and other emissions resulting from the operation are not expected to be generated in large enough quantities to have a significant impact on sensitive receptors in the area.

IV. BIOLOGICAL RESOURCES

Would the project:

A. Have a substantial adverse effect, either directly or through habitat modifications, on any species identified as a candidate, sensitive, or special-status species in local or regional plans, policies, or regulations, or by the California Department of Fish and Wildlife or U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service?

FINDING: NO IMPACT:

The subject site is located in a mainly agricultural region with rural single-family residences sited throughout the area. The subject parcel is currently utilized for agricultural production indicating human disturbance. Review of the California Natural Diversity Database (CNDDB) indicates that there are no reported occurrences of a special-status species in the vicinity of the project site. The California Department of Fish and Wildlife and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service did not express concern with the project proposal. In considering the human disturbance existing on site due to the agricultural operation and no evidence of a special-status species on the site, the project will not have a substantial adverse effect on special-status species.

- 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 Wildlife or U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service; or
- C. Have a substantial adverse effect on state or federally-protected wetlands (including, but not limited to, marsh, vernal pool, coastal, etc.) through direct removal, filling, hydrological interruption, or other means?

FINDING: NO IMPACT:

The subject parcel is located in a mainly agricultural area. There is no riparian habitat or other sensitive natural community identified on the subject parcel. Per the National Wetlands Inventory, the subject property is not located on or near an identified wetland.

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?

FINDING: LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT:

The project proposes to construct a warehouse and office building for the proposed use. In considering the existing agricultural operation, the proposed improvements would change the conditions of the site where movement of any native residence or wildlife species would be affected. However, movement of a resident or wildlife species would not be completely interrupted where a significant impact through total obstruction would occur. There are no wildlife corridors of native wildlife nursery sites identified on the subject parcel.

- E. Conflict with any local policies or ordinances protecting biological resources, such as a tree preservation policy or ordinance; or
- 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?

FINDING: NO IMPACT:

Departmental and Agency review of the project did not provide evidence of a conflict with the project and any local policy, ordinance, adopted Habitat Conservation Plan, Natural Community Conservation Plan, or other approved local, regional, or state Habitat Conservation Plan.

V. CULTURAL RESOURCES

Would the project:

- A. Cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a historical resource pursuant to Section 15064.5; or
- B. Cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of an archaeological resource pursuant to Section 15064.5; or
- C. Disturb any human remains, including those interred outside of formal cemeteries?

FINDING: LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT WITH MITIGATION INCORPORATED:

The subject property is currently utilized for agricultural production indicating past and ongoing ground disturbance. As no historical or archaeological resource was identified on the subject property from past ground disturbing activities, minimal chances of a cultural resource occurring on the site is seen. In considering the high unlikelihood of a cultural resource being present on the subject site, a mitigation measure will be implemented to address cultural resources in the event they are unearthed during ground disturbing activities related to project construction.

* Mitigation Measure(s)

1. In the event that cultural resources are unearthed during ground-disturbing activities, all work shall be halted in the area of the find. An Archeologist shall be called to evaluate the findings and make any necessary mitigation recommendations. If human remains are unearthed during ground-disturbing activities, no further disturbance is to occur until the Fresno County Sheriff-Coroner has made the necessary findings as to origin and disposition. All normal evidence procedures should be followed by photos, reports, video, etc. If such remains are determined to be Native American, the Sheriff-Coroner must notify the Native American Commission within 24 hours.

VI. ENERGY

Would the project:

- A. Result in potentially significant environmental impact due to wasteful, inefficient, or unnecessary consumption of energy resources, during project construction or operation; or
- B. Conflict with or obstruct a state or local plan for renewable energy or energy efficiency?

FINDING: LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT:

The project proposes to construct a warehouse and office facility for their proposed operation. The proposed structure will be constructed to State and local building code standards including energy efficiency standards. With the project being subject to local and state standards for building and energy efficiency, the project is expected to have a less than significant impact on energy resources.

VII. GEOLOGY AND SOILS

Would the project:

- A. Directly or indirectly cause potential substantial adverse effects, including the risk of loss, injury, or death involving:
 - 1. 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?

FINDING: NO IMPACT:

Per the Earthquake Hazard Zone Application maintained by the California Department of Conservation, the project site is not located on or near a known earthquake fault.

- 2. Strong seismic ground shaking?
- 3. Seismic-related ground failure, including liquefaction?

FINDING: NO IMPACT:

Per Figure 9-5 of the Fresno County General Plan Background Report (FCGPBR), the project is located in an area identified as having a 0-20% peak horizontal ground acceleration assuming a 10% probability of a seismic hazard in 50 years. The project will comply with all applicable building code standards and regulation. In considering the low probability of the subject site being susceptible to a seismic hazard and compliance with building standards, the project would not result in substantial adverse effects due to strong seismic ground shaking. As the subject site is not likely to be subject to strong seismic ground-shaking, seismic-related ground failure is also not likely to occur and adversely affect the project.

4. Landslides?

FINDING: NO IMPACT:

According the Figure 9-6 of the FCGPBR, the project site is not located in land designated as being in a landslide hazard area. To provide additional evidence, the project site is located in relatively flat agricultural utilized land.

B. Result in substantial soil erosion or loss of topsoil?

FINDING: LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT:

The project would result in the addition of impervious surface which would change existing runoff patterns of the subject parcel. Due to this change, the loss of topsoil would occur and soil erosion patterns due to runoff would be altered. The subject site is located in flat agricultural land with no large changes in slope being present that could adversely affect the parcel as a result soil erosion after project construction. Therefore, a less than significant impact is seen due to the loss of topsoil and no adverse effect on soil erosion.

C. Be located on a geologic unit or soil that is unstable, or that would become unstable as a result of the project, and potentially result in on- or off-site landslide, lateral spreading, subsidence, liquefaction, or collapse?

FINDING: NO IMPACT:

No geologic unit or unstable soil was identified on the project site. As noted, project construction is subject to the most current building code which will take into account site conditions.

D. Be located on expansive soil as defined in Table 18-1-B of the Uniform Building Code (1994), creating substantial direct or indirect risks to life or property?

FINDING: NO IMPACT:

Per Figure 7-1 of the FCGPBR, the project site is not located on areas identified as having soils exhibiting moderately high to high expansion potential.

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?

FINDING: LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT:

The project proposes to construct a private septic system to service the proposed office and warehouse. The proposed septic system will be subject to the development standards established by the Fresno County Local Area Management Program (LAMP). Further review during building permit phases will be required. Review of the project did not reveal any incompatibilities of the site with the proposed septic system.

F. Directly or indirectly destroy a unique paleontological resource or site or unique geologic feature?

FINDING: NO IMPACT:

No paleontological resource or unique geologic feature was identified on the project site.

VIII. GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS

Would the project:

- A. Generate greenhouse gas emissions, either directly or indirectly, that may have a significant impact on the environment; or
- B. Conflict with an applicable plan, policy or regulation adopted for the purpose of reducing the emissions of greenhouse gases?

FINDING: LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT:

Review of the Operational Statement indicates that the facility will employ up to 10 employees and utilize a local trucking company to deliver products to the subject site every Friday. Review of the trip generation did not require preparation of a traffic study. The operation proposes to utilize forklifts to load delivery trucks. There is no manufacturing of products proposed on the site. Therefore, in considering the small-scale operation, the project is not expected to generate greenhouse gas emissions in excess of State and local emission reduction goals and would not generate greenhouse gas emissions that could result in a significant impact on the environment.

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; or
- 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?

FINDING: LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT:

The Department of Public Health, Environmental Health Division has commented that the project is subject to State and local regulations and standards for using and store hazardous materials and/or hazardous waste. These regulations and standards including preparation of submittal of a Hazardous Materials Business Plan and compliance with California Code of Regulations (CCR), Title 22, Division 4.5. With the projects required compliance of State and local regulations for reporting and handling of hazardous materials and/or waste, the project would have a less than significant impact on the surrounding area.

C. Emit hazardous emissions or handle hazardous or acutely hazardous materials, substances, or waste within one-quarter mile of an existing or proposed school?

FINDING: NO IMPACT:

There are no schools within a one-quarter mile of the proposed project site.

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?

FINDING: NO IMPACT:

Per the NEPAssist database, there are no listed hazardous materials sites located on or near the project site.

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 or excessive noise for people residing or working in the project area?

FINDING: NO IMPACT:

The project site is not located within an airport land use plan or within two miles of a public airport or public use airport. For reference, the Reedley Municipal Airport is located approximately 2.6 miles north of the project site and would not effect the project stie or its employees.

- F. Impair implementation of or physically interfere with an adopted emergency response plan or emergency evacuation plan; or
- G. Expose people or structures, either directly or indirectly, to a significant risk of loss, injury or death involving wildland fires?

FINDING: NO IMPACT:

Agency and Department review of the subject application did not result in a finding that the project would impair implementation of or physically interfere with an adopted emergency response plan or emergency evacuation plan or expose people or structures to a significant risk of loss, injury, or death involving wildland fires.

X. HYDROLOGY AND WATER QUALITY

Would the project:

A. Violate any water quality standards or waste discharge requirements or otherwise substantially degrade surface or ground water quality; or

B. Substantially decrease groundwater supplies or interfere substantially with groundwater recharge such that the project may impede sustainable groundwater management of the basin?

FINDING: LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT:

The Water and Natural Resources Division and the State Water Resources Control Board have reviewed the project proposal and did not express concern with the application to indicate that the project would result in the violation of water quality or waste discharge requirements nor result in decreased groundwater supplies or interfere substantially with groundwater recharge. The Water and Natural Resources Division indicated in their review that the subject parcel is not located within a water short area and will have a less than significant impact on water resources.

- C. Substantially alter the existing drainage pattern of the site or area, including through the alteration of the course of a stream or river or through the addition of impervious surfaces, in a manner which would result in substantial erosion or siltation on or off site?
 - 1. Result in substantial erosion or siltation on- or off-site;
 - 2. Substantially increase the rate or amount of surface runoff in a manner which would result in flooding on- or offsite?
 - 3. 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?

FINDING: LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT:

Review of the project indicates that addition of impervious surface will occur as a result of construction of the warehouse/office building and associated asphalt for vehicular circulation. The project proposes to develop a ponding basin to offset surface runoff changes that would occur from project construction. The ponding basin would be constructed to state and local standards. In considering the potential alteration of drainage patterns of the site, the development of the site with a ponding basin will not result in substantial erosion, onsite or offsite flooding, or runoff that would exceed capacity and result in polluted runoff. Therefore, the project is expected to have a less than significant impact.

4. Impede or redirect flood flows?

FINDING: NO IMPACT:

Per FEMA FIRM Panel C2200H, the project site is not located within a flood hazard area and would not affect flood flows.

D. In flood hazard, tsunami, or seiche zones, risk release of pollutants due to project inundation?

FINDING: NO IMPACT:

Per FEMA FIRM Panel C2200H, the project site is not located within a flood hazard area and would not be affected by flood flows. In addition to not be affected by flood hazards, the project site is not located near a body of water where an increased risk from tsunami or seiche would occur.

E. Conflict with or obstruct implementation of a water quality control plan or sustainable groundwater management plan?

FINDING: NO IMPACT:

The State Water Resources Control Board and the Water and Natural Resources Division has reviewed the subject application and did not express concern with the project to indicate that a conflict or obstruction for implementation of a water quality control plan or sustainable groundwater management plan exists or would occur as a result of the project.

XI. LAND USE AND PLANNING

Would the project:

A. Physically divide an established community?

FINDING: NO IMPACT:

The project site is located on the north side of E. Adams Avenue approximately 626 feet east of its intersection with S. Buttonwillow Avenue. The subject site does not block access of the public right-of-way and does not physically divide an established community.

B. Cause a significant environmental impact due to a conflict with any land use plan, policy, or regulation adopted for the purpose of avoiding or mitigating an environmental effect?

FINDING: LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT:

The subject parcel is designated Agriculture in the Fresno County General Plan with development required to be consistent with the General Plan. Goal LU-A reads "To promote the long-term conservation of productive and potentially productive agricultural lands and to accommodate agricultural-support services and agriculturally-related activities that support the viability of agriculture and further the County' economic development goals." This goal relates to the environmental impacts of the loss of productive farmland.

As noted in previous discussion, the subject parcel is currently utilized for agriculture production. General Plan Policies LU-A.3, LU-A.13, and LU-A.14 were identified by the

Policy Planning Unit and are deemed relevant for consideration when addressing the subject application.

Review of these relevant General Plan Policies indicate that certain uses subject to discretionary permit shall be considered with additional criteria being included. Criteria includes efficiency of the subject location when compared to more urban locations, operational and physical characteristics of the use in relation to available water resources, and consideration of buffers between non-agricultural uses and agricultural uses.

Through review of applicable General Plan Policies, the conversion of a portion of agricultural productive land to the proposed use is considered less than significant as the proposed use is supportive of agricultural operations and would convert only a portion of the subject parcel with the remainder still being actively farmed.

XII. MINERAL RESOURCES

Would the project:

- A. Result in the loss of availability of a known mineral resource that would be of value to the region and the residents of the state; or
- 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?

FINDING: NO IMPACT:

Per Figure 7-7 and 7-8 of the Fresno County General Plan Background Report (FCGPBR) the subject site is not located on an identified mineral resource location or principal mineral producing location.

XIII. NOISE

Would the project result in:

- A. Generation of a substantial temporary or permanent increase in ambient noise levels in the vicinity of the project in excess of standards established in the local general plan or noise ordinance, or applicable standards of other agencies; or
- B. Generation of excessive ground-borne vibration or ground-borne noise levels; or
- C. For a project located within the vicinity of a private airstrip or 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; or

FINDING: LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT:

The Department of Public Health, Environmental Health Division has reviewed the project and commented that the project proposal will be subject to the provisions of the County of Fresno Noise Ordinance. Review of the proposed operation indicate the elevated noise levels would most likely occur from the listed equipment usage and regular delivery. The noise generation is not expected to result in excessive noise levels or deviate from noise normal for the surrounding agricultural area. The project site is not located within two miles of a public airport or public use airport. Therefore, although an increase in noise generation would occur as a result of the project, the noise generation is not expected to exceed thresholds established by the Fresno County Noise Ordinance and would not negatively affect surrounding property owners.

XIV. POPULATION AND HOUSING

Would the project:

- A. Induce substantial unplanned 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)?; or
- B. Displace substantial numbers of existing people or housing, necessitating the construction of replacement housing elsewhere?

FINDING: NO IMPACT:

The project will not induce substantial unplanned population growth in the area and does not displace people or housing, necessitating construction of replacement housing elsewhere.

XV. PUBLIC SERVICES

Would the project:

- A. Result in substantial adverse physical impacts associated with the provision of new or physically-altered governmental facilities, or the need for new or physically-altered governmental facilities, the construction of which could cause significant environmental impacts, in order to maintain acceptable service ratios, response times or other performance objectives for any of the public services?
 - 1. Fire protection;

FINDING: NO IMPACT:

The Fresno County Fire Protection District has reviewed the project proposal and did not express concern with the project to indicate impacts to service ratios, response times, or other performance objectives would occur as a result of the project.

2. Police protection;

- 3. Schools;
- 4. Parks; or
- 5. Other public facilities?

FINDING: NO IMPACT:

Reviewing agencies and departments did not express concern with the project to indicate that impacts to service ratios, response times, or other performance objectives would occur as a result of the project.

XVI. RECREATION

Would the project:

- A. 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; or
- B. Include recreational facilities or require the construction or expansion of recreational facilities, which might have an adverse physical effect on the environment?

FINDING: NO IMPACT:

The project would not result in the increased use of existing neighborhood and regional parks or other recreational facilities and does not include or require construction or expansion of recreational facilities which might have an adverse physical effect on the environment.

XVI. TRANSPORTATION

Would the project:

- A. Conflict with a program, plan, ordinance or policy addressing the circulation system, including transit, roadway, bicycle and pedestrian facilities; or
- B. Would the project conflict or be inconsistent with CEQA Guidelines section 15064.3, subdivision (b)?

FINDING: LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT:

Reviewing agencies and departments did not express concern with the project to indicate that a conflict exists between the project proposal and any program, plan, ordinance, or policy addressing the circulation system. Additionally, no conflict was CEQA Guidelines Section 15064.3 subdivision (b) was identified.

The project proposes to have a maximum of 10 employees for the operation. In addition to their employee count, deliver trucks are expected to make deliveries to the site every Friday. In considering the traffic generation resulting from the project and no concerns expressed by reviewing agencies and departments, it has been determined that a less than significant impact would occur.

- C. Substantially increase hazards due to a geometric design feature (e.g., sharp curves or dangerous intersections) or incompatible uses (e.g., farm equipment)?; or
- D. Result in inadequate emergency access?

FINDING: NO IMPACT:

Review of the project design by the Road Maintenance and Operations Division specified design standards for driveway design and access standards to be implemented when improvement permits are applied for and reviewed. Encroachment permit from the Road Maintenance and Operations Division will ensure that the project will not result in hazardous design features in relation to site access. No design hazards or inadequate emergency access points were identified in the review of this project.

XVIII. TRIBAL CULTURAL RESOURCES

Would the project:

- A. Would the project cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a tribal cultural resource, defined in Public Resources Code section 21074 as either a site, feature, place, cultural landscape that is geographically defined in terms of the size and scope of the landscape, sacred place, or object with cultural value to a California Native American tribe, and that is:
 - 1. Listed or eligible for listing in the California Register of Historical Resources, or in a local register of historical resources as defined in Public Resources Code section 5020.1(k), or
 - 2. A resource determined by the lead agency, in its discretion and supported by substantial evidence, to be significant pursuant to criteria set forth in subdivision (c) of Public Resources Code Section 5024.1. In applying the criteria set forth in subdivision (c) of Public Resource Code Section 5024.1, the lead agency shall consider the significance of the resource to a California Native American tribe?

FINDING: LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT WITH MITIGATION INCORPORATED:

Participating California Native American Tribes under the provisions of Assembly Bill 52 (AB 52) were notified of the project proposal and given the opportunity to enter into consultation with the County on addressing potential cultural resources occurring on or near the project site. No request for consultation was received and no concerns were expressed by reviewing California Native American Tribes.

As noted in Section V. *Cultural Resources*, the subject property has historically been utilized for agricultural production and would have experienced ground-disturbance. Although highly unlikely, a mitigation measure shall be implemented to ensure proper procedure is placed in the unlikely event that a cultural resource is unearthed during ground-disturbing activities related to construction of the project.

* Mitigation Measure(s)

1. See Section V. Cultural Resources A., B., and C. Mitigation Measure #1

XIX. UTILITIES AND SERVICE SYSTEMS

Would the project:

A. Require or result in the relocation or construction of new or expanded water, wastewater treatment or storm water drainage, electric power, natural gas, or telecommunications facilities, the construction or relocation of which could cause significant environmental effects?

FINDING: NO IMPACT:

The project does not require or result in the relocation or construction or new or expanded public services. The project will be expected to connect to existing services if available and construct private facilities that comply with State and local standards.

B. Have sufficient water supplies available to serve the project and reasonably foreseeable future development during normal, dry and multiple dry years?

FINDING: LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT:

The Water and Natural Resources Division and the State Water Resources Control Board did not express concern with the project's potential impact on water supplies. The Water and Natural Resources Division determined that the project would have a less than significant impact on water resources in the area. Therefore, water supplies have been determined to be sufficient and the project would have a less than significant impact.

C. 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?

FINDING: NO IMPACT:

The project proposes to construct a private septic system to service the proposed operation. The septic system will be subject to local standards and regulations for development of a private septic system established under the Fresno County Local Area Management Program (LAMP). This would include review and permitting of the

septic system. Therefore, in considering the additional review and permitting of a private septic system, the project would have no impact in terms of wastewater treatment availability.

- D. Generate solid waste in excess of State or local standards, or in excess of the capacity
 of local infrastructure, or otherwise impair the attainment of solid waste reduction goals;
 or
- E. Comply with federal, state, and local management and reduction statutes and regulations related to solid waste?

FINDING: LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT:

Reviewing agencies and departments did not provide concern with the project in terms of solid waste production. As no concerns were expressed and based on the estimated solid waste generation from the proposed operation, the project is expected to generate a less than significant amount of solid waste and would comply with federal, state and local management and reduction statutes for solid waste.

XX. WILDFIRE

If located in or near state responsibility areas or lands classified as very high fire hazard severity zones, would the project:

- A. Substantially impair an adopted emergency response plan or emergency evacuation plan, or telecommunications facilities, the construction or relocation of which could cause significant environmental effects; or
- B. Due to slope, prevailing winds, and other factors, exacerbate wildfire risks, and thereby expose project occupants to, pollutant concentrations from a wildfire or the uncontrolled spread of a wildfire; or
- C. Require the installation or maintenance of associated infrastructure (such as roads, fuel breaks, emergency water sources, power lines or other utilities) that may exacerbate fire risk or that may result in temporary or ongoing impacts to the environment; or
- D. Expose people or structures to significant risks, including downslope or downstream flooding or landslides, as a result of runoff, post-fire slope instability, or drainage changes?

FINDING: NO IMPACT:

Based on the 2007 Fresno County Fire Hazard Severity Zones In LRA Map, the project site is not located in a State Responsibility Area or lands classified as very high fire hazard severity zones.

XXI. MANDATORY FINDINGS OF SIGNIFICANCE

Would the project:

A. Have the potential to substantially 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, substantially 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?

FINDING: NO IMPACT:

The subject property is located in a mainly agricultural and rural residential area. Due to the amount of disturbance associated with the project site and absence of any reported occurrences of a species on the site per the California Natural Diversity Database, the project will not have an impact that could substantially degrade the quality of the environment or reduce the number of an animal/plant community.

B. 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)?

FINDING: LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT:

Aesthetics, Cultural Resources and Tribal Cultural Resources were determined to have a less than significant impact with Mitigation Measures implemented. Discussion of the projects impacts on their respective resources could be considered cumulative, but as noted, with the implementation of mitigation measures, would reduce the project's impact to a less than significant level.

C. Have environmental effects, which will cause substantial adverse effects on human beings, either directly or indirectly?

FINDING: NO IMPACT:

Analysis of the project has determined that environmental effects resulting from the project would not cause substantial adverse effects on human beings.

CONCLUSION/SUMMARY

Based upon the Initial Study prepared for Classified Conditional Use Permit Application No. 3690, staff has concluded that the project will not have a significant effect on the environment. It has been determined that there would be no impacts to Mineral Resources, Population and Housing, Public Services, Recreation, and Wildfire

Potential impacts related to Agricultural and Forestry Resources, Air Quality, Biological Resources, Energy, Geology and Soils, Greenhouse Gas Emissions, Hazards and Hazardous Materials, Hydrology and Water Quality, Land Use Planning, Noise, Transportation, and

Utilities and Service Systems have been determined to be less than significant. Potential impacts relating to Aesthetics, Cultural Resources, and Tribal Cultural Resources have determined to be less than significant with compliance with recommended mitigation measures.

A Mitigated Negative Declaration is recommended and is subject to approval by the decision-making body. The Initial Study is available for review at 2220 Tulare Street, Suite A, street level, located on the southwest corner of Tulare and "M" Street, Fresno, California.

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County of Fresno

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND PLANNING STEVEN E. WHITE, DIRECTOR

INITIAL STUDY ENVIRONMENTAL CHECKLIST FORM

1. Project title:

Initial Study No. 8043 and Classified Conditional Use Permit Application No. 3707

2. Lead agency name and address:

County of Fresno, Department of Public Works and Planning 2220 Tulare Street, 6th Floor Fresno, CA 93721

3. Contact person and phone number:

Thomas Kobayashi, Planner (559) 600-4224

4. Project location:

The project site is located on the north side of E. Adams Avenue, approximately 626 feet east of its intersection with S. Buttonwillow Avenue and is approximately 1.15 miles north of the city limits of the City of Reedley (20068 E. Adams Avenue) (360-180-24S) (Sup. Dist. 4).

5. Project sponsor's name and address:

Greg Cox P.O. Box 7814 Visalia, CA 93290

6. General Plan designation:

Agriculture

7. Zoning:

AE-20 (Exclusive Agricultural, 20-acre minimum parcel size)

8. Description of project: (Describe the whole action involved, including, but not limited to, later phases of the project, and any secondary, support, or off-site features necessary for its implementation. Attach additional sheets if necessary.)

Allow a farm supply sales office and farm supply storage on a 38.67-acre parcel in the AE-20 (Exclusive Agricultural, 20-acre minimum parcel size) Zone District.

9. Surrounding land uses and setting: Briefly describe the project's surroundings:

The project site is located in a mainly agricultural area with rural single-family residences located throughout the region.

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

Fresno County Department of Public Works and Planning Fresno County Department of Public Health

11. Have California Native American tribes traditionally and culturally affiliated with the project area requested consultation pursuant to Public Resources Code section 21080.3.1? If so, is there a plan for consultation that includes, for example, the determination of significance of impacts to tribal cultural resources, procedures regarding confidentiality, etc.?

Participating California Native American Tribes were notified of the subject application and given the opportunity to enter into consultation with the County of Fresno to address potential cultural resources. Participating California Native American Tribes did not enter into consultation with the County on the project and no concerns were expressed with the project.

NOTE: Conducting consultation early in the CEQA process allows tribal governments, lead agencies, and project proponents to discuss the level of environmental review, identify and address potential adverse impacts to tribal cultural resources, and reduce the potential for delay and conflict in the environmental review process. (See Public Resources Code section 21080.3.2.) Information may also be available from the California Native American Heritage Commission's Sacred Lands File per Public Resources Code section 5097.96 and the California Historical Resources Information System administered by the California Office of Historic Preservation. Please also note that Public Resources Code section 21082.3(c) contains provisions specific to confidentiality.

ENVIRONMENTAL FACTORS POTENTIALLY AFFECTED:

The environmental factors checked below would be potential a "Potentially Significant Impact" as indicated by the checkli	ally affected by this project, involving at least one impact that is st on the following pages.
Aesthetics	Agriculture and Forestry Resources
Air Quality	Biological Resources
Cultural Resources	Energy
Geology/Soils	Greenhouse Gas Emissions
Hazards & Hazardous Materials	Hydrology/Water Quality
Land Use/Planning	Mineral Resources
Noise	Population/Housing
Public Services	Recreation
Transportation	Tribal Cultural Resources
Utilities/Service Systems	Wildfire
Mandatory Findings of Significance	
DETERMINATION OF REQUIRED ENVIRONMENTAL DO	CUMENT:
On the basis of this initial evaluation:	
I find that the proposed project COULD NOT have a signed DECLARATION WILL BE PREPARED.	gnificant effect on the environment. A NEGATIVE
I find that although the proposed project could have a sa significant effect in this case because the Mitigation Nadded to the project. A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECI	Measures described on the attached sheet have been
I find the proposed project MAY have a significant effect IMPACT REPORT is required	ct on the environment, and an ENVIRONMENTAL
I find that as a result of the proposed project, no new ef be required that have not been addressed within the so	
PERFORMED BY:	REVIEWED BY:
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Thomas Kobayashi, Planner	David Randall, Senior Planner
Date: 11/5/21	Date: 10-79.21

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INITIAL STUDY ENVIRONMENTAL CHECKLIST FORM

(Initial Study No. 8043 and Classified Conditional Use Permit Application No. 3707

The following checklist is used to determine if the proposed project could potentially have a significant effect on the environment. Explanations and information regarding each question follow the checklist.

- 1 = No Impact
- 2 = Less Than Significant Impact
- 3 = Less Than Significant Impact with Mitigation Incorporated
- 4 = Potentially Significant Impact

I. AESTHETICS

Except as provided in Public Resources Code Section 21099, would the project:

- 2 a) Have a substantial adverse effect on a scenic vista?
- b) Substantially damage scenic resources, including, but not limited to, trees, rock outcroppings, and historic buildings within a state scenic highway?
- _2 c) In non-urbanized areas, substantially degrade the existing visual character or quality of public views of the site and its surroundings? (Public views are those that are experienced from publicly accessible vantage point). If the project is in an urbanized area, would the project conflict with applicable zoning and other regulations governing scenic quality?
- _3_ d) Create a new source of substantial light or glare that would adversely affect day or nighttime views in the area?

II. AGRICULTURAL AND FORESTRY 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. In determining whether impacts to forest resources, including timberland, are significant environmental effects, lead agencies may refer to information compiled by the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection regarding the state's inventory of forest land, including the Forest and Range Assessment Project and the Forest Legacy Assessment project; and forest carbon measurement methodology in Forest Protocols adopted by the California Air Resources Board. Would the project:

- a) Convert Prime Farmland, Unique Farmland, or Farmland of Statewide Importance, as shown on the maps prepared pursuant to the Farmland Mapping and Monitoring Program of the California Resources Agency, to non-agricultural use?
- _2 b) Conflict with existing zoning for agricultural use, or a Williamson Act Contract?
- ____ c) Conflict with existing zoning for forest land, timberland or timberland zoned Timberland Production?
- _1 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?

III. AIR QUALITY

Where available, the significance criteria established by the applicable air quality management district or air pollution control district may be relied upon to make the following determinations. Would the project:

- 2 a) Conflict with or obstruct implementation of the applicable Air Quality Plan?
- _2 b) Result in a cumulatively considerable net increase of any criteria pollutant for which the project region is nonattainment under an applicable federal or state ambient air quality standard?
- _2 c) Expose sensitive receptors to substantial pollutant concentrations?
- _2 d) Result in other emissions (such as those leading to odors) adversely affecting a substantial number of people?

IV. BIOLOGICAL RESOURCES

Would the project:

- a) Have a substantial adverse effect, either directly or through habitat modifications, on any species identified as a candidate, sensitive, or special-status species in local or regional plans, policies, or regulations, or by the California Department of Fish and Wildlife 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 Wildlife or U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service?
- _1 c) Have a substantial adverse effect on state or federally-protected wetlands (including, but not limited to, marsh, vernal pool, coastal, etc.) through direct removal, filling, hydrological interruption, or other means?
- _2 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?
- _1 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?

V. CULTURAL RESOURCES

Would the project:

- a) Cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a historical resource pursuant to Section 15064.5?
- b) Cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of an archaeological resource pursuant to Section 15064.5?
- _3 c) Disturb any human remains, including those interred outside of formal cemeteries?

VI. ENERGY

Would the project:

- a) Result in potentially significant environmental impact due to wasteful, inefficient, or unnecessary consumption of energy resources, during project construction or operation?
- 2 b) Conflict with or obstruct a state or local plan for renewable energy or energy efficiency?

HYDROLOGY AND WATER QUALITY VII. **GEOLOGY AND SOILS** Would the project: Would the project: a) Directly or indirectly cause potential substantial adverse a) Violate any water quality standards or waste discharge effects, including the risk of loss, injury, or death involving: requirements or otherwise substantially degrade surface or ground water quality? Rupture of a known earthquake fault, as delineated on 1 the most recent Alquist-Priolo Earthquake Fault Zoning Substantially decrease groundwater supplies or interfere Map issued by the State Geologist for the area or based substantially with groundwater recharge such that the project on other substantial evidence of a known fault? may impede sustainable groundwater management of the basin? Strong seismic ground shaking? Substantially alter the existing drainage pattern of the site or iii) Seismic-related ground failure, including liquefaction? area, including through the alteration of the course of a stream iv) Landslides? 1 or river or through the addition of impervious surfaces, in a manner which would result in substantial erosion or siltation b) Result in substantial soil erosion or loss of topsoil? on or off site? Be located on a geologic unit or soil that is unstable, or that Result in substantial erosion or siltation on- or off-site; would become unstable as a result of the project, and potentially result in on- or off-site landslide, lateral spreading, ii) Substantially increase the rate or amount of surface runoff subsidence, liquefaction, or collapse? in a manner which would result in flooding on- or offsite; d) Be located on expansive soil as defined in Table 18-1-B of iii) Create or contribute runoff water which would exceed the 2 the Uniform Building Code (1994), creating substantial direct capacity of existing or planned stormwater drainage or indirect risks to life or property? systems or provide substantial additional sources of polluted runoff; or e) Have soils incapable of adequately supporting the use of septic tanks or alternative waste water disposal systems iv) Impede or redirect flood flows? where sewers are not available for the disposal of waste In flood hazard, tsunami, or seiche zones, risk release of water? pollutants due to project inundation? Directly or indirectly destroy a unique paleontological _1_ Conflict with or obstruct implementation of a water quality resource or site or unique geologic feature? control plan or sustainable groundwater management plan? **GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS** VIII. LAND USE AND PLANNING Would the project: Would the project: a) Generate greenhouse gas emissions, either directly or a) Physically divide an established community? 1 indirectly, that may have a significant impact on the environment? 2 b) Cause a significant environmental impact due to a conflict

<u>b</u>) Conflict with an applicable plan, policy or regulation adopted for the purpose of reducing the emissions of greenhouse gases?

IX. HAZARDS AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS

Would the project:

- 2 a) Create a significant hazard to the public or the environment through the routine transport, use, or disposal of hazardous materials?
- _2 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 or excessive noise for people residing or working in the project area?
- _______f) Impair implementation of or physically interfere with an adopted emergency response plan or emergency evacuation plan?
- g) Expose people or structures, either directly or indirectly, to a significant risk of loss, injury or death involving wildland fires?

b) Cause a significant environmental impact due to a conflict with any land use plan, policy, or regulation adopted for the purpose of avoiding or mitigating an environmental effect?

XII. MINERAL RESOURCES

Would the project:

- a) Result in the loss of availability of a known mineral resource that would be of value to the region and the residents of the state?
- b) Result in the loss of availability of a locally-important mineral resource recovery site delineated on a local General Plan, Specific Plan or other land use plan?

XIII. NOISE

Would the project result in:

- a) Generation of a substantial temporary or permanent increase in ambient noise levels in the vicinity of the project in excess of standards established in the local general plan or noise ordinance, or applicable standards of other agencies?
- _2 b) Generation of excessive ground-borne vibration or ground-borne noise levels?
- c) For a project located within the vicinity of a private airstrip or 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?

XIV. POPULATION AND HOUSING

Would the project:

 a) Induce substantial unplanned population growth in an area, either directly (for example, by proposing new homes and

roads or other infrastructure)? forth in subdivision (c) of Public Resource Code Section 5024.1, the lead agency shall consider the significance of the 1 b) Displace substantial numbers of existing people or housing. resource to a California Native American tribe? necessitating the construction of replacement housing elsewhere? XIX. UTILITIES AND SERVICE SYSTEMS **PUBLIC SERVICES** Would the project: Would the project: 1 a) Require or result in the relocation or construction of new or expanded water, wastewater treatment or storm water 1 a) Result in substantial adverse physical impacts associated drainage, electric power, natural gas, or telecommunications with the provision of new or physically-altered governmental facilities, the construction or relocation of which could cause facilities, or the need for new or physically-altered significant environmental effects? governmental facilities, the construction of which could cause significant environmental impacts, in order to maintain 2 b) Have sufficient water supplies available to serve the project acceptable service ratios, response times or other and reasonably foreseeable future development during performance objectives for any of the public services: normal, dry and multiple dry years? Fire protection? 1 c) Result in a determination by the wastewater treatment provider which serves or may serve the project that it has ii) Police protection? adequate capacity to serve the project's projected demand in iii) Schools? addition to the provider's existing commitments? iv) Parks? 1 Generate solid waste in excess of State or local standards, or in excess of the capacity of local infrastructure, or otherwise v) Other public facilities? impair the attainment of solid waste reduction goals? e) Comply with federal, state, and local management and XVI. RECREATION reduction statutes and regulations related to solid waste? Would the project: 1 a) Increase the use of existing neighborhood and regional XX. **WILDFIRE** parks or other recreational facilities such that substantial If located in or near state responsibility areas or lands classified as very physical deterioration of the facility would occur or be high fire hazard severity zones, would the project: accelerated? a) Substantially impair an adopted emergency response plan or b) Include recreational facilities or require the construction or emergency evacuation plan? expansion of recreational facilities, which might have an adverse physical effect on the environment? Due to slope, prevailing winds, and other factors, exacerbate wildfire risks, and thereby expose project occupants to, pollutant concentrations from a wildfire or the uncontrolled XVII. TRANSPORTATION spread of a wildfire? Require the installation or maintenance of associated Would the project: infrastructure (such as roads, fuel breaks, emergency water 2 a) Conflict with a program, plan, ordinance or policy addressing sources, power lines or other utilities) that may exacerbate fire the circulation system, including transit, roadway, bicycle risk or that may result in temporary or ongoing impacts to the and pedestrian facilities? environment? Would the project conflict or be inconsistent with CEQA 1 d) Expose people or structures to significant risks, including Guidelines section 15064.3, subdivision (b)? downslope or downstream flooding or landslides, as a result Substantially increase hazards due to a geometric design of runoff, post-fire slope instability, or drainage changes?

XVIII. TRIBAL CULTURAL RESOURCES

Would the project:

a) Would the project cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a tribal cultural resource, defined in Public Resources Code section 21074 as either a site, feature, place, cultural landscape that is geographically defined in terms of the size and scope of the landscape, sacred place, or object with cultural value to a California Native American tribe, and that is:

feature (e.g., sharp curves or dangerous intersections) or

incompatible uses (e.g., farm equipment)?

Result in inadequate emergency access?

businesses) or indirectly (for example, through extension of

- i) Listed or eligible for listing in the California Register of Historical Resources, or in a local register of historical resources as defined in Public Resources Code section 5020.1(k), or
- ii) A resource determined by the lead agency, in its discretion and supported by substantial evidence, to be significant pursuant to criteria set forth in subdivision (c) of Public

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Would the project:

a) Have the potential to substantially 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, substantially 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?

Resources Code Section 5024.1. In applying the criteria set

- _2 b) 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)
- _1 c) Have environmental effects, which will cause substantial adverse effects on human beings, either directly or indirectly?

Documents Referenced:

This Initial Study is referenced by the documents listed below. These documents are available for public review at the County of Fresno, Department of Public Works and Planning, Development Services and Capital Projects Division, 2220 Tulare Street, Suite A, Fresno, California (corner of M & Tulare Streets).

Fresno County General Plan, Policy Document and Final EIR Fresno County Zoning Ordinance Important Farmland 2016 Map, State Department of Conservation Fire Hazard Severity Zones in LRA 2007 Map, State Department

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Notice of Completion & Environmental Document Transmittal

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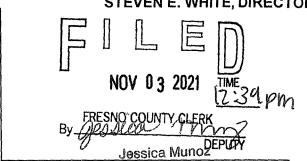
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Air Resources Board	Office of Historic Preservation
Boating & Waterways, Department of	Office of Public School Construction
California Emergency Management Agency	Parks & Recreation, Department of
California Highway Patrol	Pesticide Regulation, Department of
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Caltrans Division of Aeronautics	X Regional WQCB #Fres
Caltrans Planning	Resources Agency
Central Valley Flood Protection Board	Resources Recycling and Recovery, Department of
Coachella Valley Mtns. Conservancy	S.F. Bay Conservation & Development Comm.
Coastal Commission	San Gabriel & Lower L.A. Rivers & Mtns. Conservancy
Colorado River Board	San Joaquin River Conservancy
Conservation, Department of	Santa Monica Mtns. Conservancy
Corrections, Department of	State Lands Commission
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Energy Commission	X SWRCB: Water Rights
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Forestry and Fire Protection, Department of	Water Resources, Department of
General Services, Department of	
Health Services, Department of	X Other: U.S. Fish and Wildlife Services Other:
Housing & Community Development	Other:
Native American Heritage Commission	
Local Public Review Period (to be filled in by lead age Starting Date November 5, 2021	Ending Date December 6, 2021
Lead Agency (Complete if applicable):	
Consulting Firm: County of Fresno	Applicant: Greg Cox
Address: 2220 Tulare Street, 6th Floor	Address: P.O. Box 7814
City/State/Zip: Fresno, CA 93721	City/State/Zip: Visalia, CA 93290
Contact: Thomas Kobayashi	Phone: (559) 280-5785
Phone: (559) 600-4224	
Signature of Lead Agency Representative:	Date: W/S/21

Authority cited: Section 21083, Public Resources Code. Reference: Section 21161, Public Resources Code.



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DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND PLANNING STEVEN E. WHITE, DIRECTOR



NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION

For County Clerk's Stamp

Notice is hereby given that the County of Fresno has prepared Initial Study (IS) No. 8043 pursuant to the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act for the following proposed project:

INITIAL STUDY NO. 8043 and CLASSIFIED CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT APPLICATION NO. 3707 filed by GREG COX, proposing to allow a farm supply sales office and farm supply storage on a 38.67-acre parcel in the AE-20 (Exclusive Agricultural, 20-acre minimum parcel size) Zone District. The project site is located on the north side of E. Adams Avenue, approximately 626 feet east of its intersection with S. Buttonwillow Avenue and is approximately 1.15 miles north of the city limits of the City of Reedley (20068 E. Adams Avenue) (APN 360-180-24S) (Sup. Dist. 4). Adopt the Mitigated Negative Declaration prepared for Initial Study No. 8043, and take action on Classified Conditional Use Permit Application No. 3707 with Findings and Conditions.

(hereafter, the "Proposed Project")

The County of Fresno has determined that it is appropriate to adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Proposed Project. The purpose of this Notice is to (1) provide notice of the availability of IS No. 8043 and the draft Mitigated Negative Declaration, and request written comments thereon; and (2) provide notice of the public hearing regarding the Proposed Project.

Public Comment Period

The County of Fresno will receive written comments on the Proposed Project and Mitigated Negative Declaration from November 5, 2021 through December 6, 2021.

Email written comments to TKobayashi@FresnoCountyCA.gov, or mail comments to:

Fresno County Department of Public Works and Planning Development Services and Capital Projects Division Attn: Thomas Kobayashi 2220 Tulare Street, Suite A Fresno, CA 93721

IS No. 8043 and the draft Mitigated Negative Declaration may be viewed at the above address Monday through Thursday, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., and Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. (except holidays), or at www.co.fresno.ca.us/initialstudies An electronic copy of the draft Mitigated

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Negative Declaration for the Proposed Project may be obtained from Thomas Kobayashi at the addresses above.

Public Hearing

The Planning Commission will hold a public hearing to consider approving the Proposed Project and the Mitigated Negative Declaration on December 16, 2021, at 8:45 a.m., or as soon thereafter as possible, in Room 301, Hall of Records, 2281 Tulare Street, Fresno, California 93721. Interested persons are invited to appear at the hearing and comment on the Proposed Project and draft Mitigated Negative Declaration.

For questions please call Thomas Kobayashi (559) 600-4224.

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Allow a farm supply sale	s office and farm	supply storage on a 38	.67-acre pa	arcel in the A	Æ-20 (I	Exclusive Agricultural, 20-	acre minimu	m parcel size) Zone
District.								
Justification for Negative	Declaration:							
Based upon the Init	ial Study prep	ared for Classified	Conditio	nal Use P	ermit	Application No. 3690), staff has	s concluded that
						determined that ther	e would b	e no impacts to
Mineral Resources,	Population a	nd Housing, Public	Services	s, Recreati	ion, a	nd Wildfire		
Potential impacts re	elated to Agric	ultural and Forestr	v Resour	rces Air O	uality	, Biological Resource	s Eneral	Geology and
						ology and Water Qua		
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					Reso	urces have determine	ed to be le	ess than
significant with com	pliance with r	ecommended mitig	ation me	easures.				
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Newspaper and Date of Publication:				Re	Review Date Deadline:			
Fresno Business Jo	ournal – Novei	mber 3, 2021		Pl	annin	g Commission – Dec	ember 16	, 2021
Date:	Type or Print S	, and the second		<u> </u>		mitted by (Signature):		•
	David Rand	all			Tho	mas Kobayashi		
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State 15083, 15085

County Clerk File No.:_____

LOCAL AGENCY MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION



County of Fresno

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND PLANNING STEVEN E. WHITE, DIRECTOR

DATE: May 28, 2021

TO: Department of Public Works and Planning, Attn: Steven E. White, Director

Department of Public Works and Planning, Attn: Bernard Jimenez, Assistant Director

Development Services and Capital Projects, Attn: William M. Kettler, Division

Manager

Development Services and Capital Projects, Attn: Chris Motta, Principal Planner Development Services and Capital Projects, Current Planning, Attn: David Randall, Senior Planner

Development Services and Capital Projects, Policy Planning, ALCC,

Attn: Mohammad Khorsand, Senior Planner

Development Services and Capital Projects, Zoning & Permit Review, Attn: Daniel

Gutierrez/James Anders

Development Services and Capital Projects, Site Plan Review, Attn: Hector Luna Development Services and Capital Projects, Building & Safety/Plan Check, CASp,

Attn: Dan Mather

Development Engineering, Attn: Laurie Kennedy, Grading/Mapping

Road Maintenance and Operations, Attn: John Thompson/Nadia Lopez/Martin

Querin/Wendy Nakagawa

Design Division, Transportation Planning, Attn: Mohammad Alimi/Dale Siemer/Brian Spaunhurst/Gloria Hensley

Water and Natural Resources Division, Attn: Glenn Allen, Division Manager; Roy Jimenez

Department of Public Health, Environmental Health Division, Attn: Deep Sidhu/ Steven Rhodes

Agricultural Commissioner, Attn: Melissa Cregan

Sheriff's Office, Attn: Captain Mark Padilla, Captain Greg Gularte, Captain Ryan Hushaw, Lt. Brent Stalker, Lt. Ron Hayes, Lt. Robert Salazar, Lt. Kathy Curtice

County Counsel, Attn: Alison Samarin, Deputy County Counsel U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, San Joaquin Valley Division,

Attn: Matthew Nelson, Biologist

CA Regional Water Quality Control Board, Attn: Dale Harvey

CALTRANS, Attn: Dave Padilla

CA Department of Fish and Wildlife, Attn: Craig Bailey, Environmental Scientist & R4CEQA@wildlife.ca.gov

State Water Resources Control Board, Division of Drinking Water, Fresno District, Attn: Jose Robledo, Caitlin Juarez

Dumna Wo Wah Tribal Government, Attn: Robert Ledger, Tribal Chairman/Eric Smith, Cultural Resources Manager/Chris Acree, Cultural Resources Analyst Picayune Rancheria of the Chukchansi Indians, Attn: Heather Airey/Cultural Resources Director

Santa Rosa Rancheria Tachi Yokut Tribe, Attn: Ruben Barrios, Tribal Chairman/ Hector Franco, Director/Shana Powers, Cultural Specialist II

Table Mountain Rancheria, Attn: Robert Pennell, Cultural Resources Director/Kim Taylor, Cultural Resources Department/Sara Barnett, Cultural Resources

Department

San Joaquin Valley Unified Air Pollution Control District (PIC-CEQA Division),

Attn: PIC Supervisor

Kings River East GSA, Attn: Chad Wegley, General Manager at cw@altaid.org

Alta Irrigation District, Attn: Chad B. Wegley, General Manager

Kings River Conservation District, Attn: Rick Hoelzel

Fresno County Fire Protection District, Attn: Jim McDougald, Division Chief

FROM: Thomas Kobayashi, Planner

Development Services and Capital Projects Division

SUBJECT: Initial Study Application No. 8043 and Classified Conditional Use Permit Application

No. 3707

APPLICANT: Greg Cox

DUE DATE: June 14, 2021

The Department of Public Works and Planning, Development Services and Capital Projects Division is reviewing the subject application proposing to allow a farm supply sales office and farm supply storage on a 38.67-acre parcel in the AE-20 (Exclusive Agricultural, 20-acre minimum parcel size) Zone District (APN 360-180-24S).

The Department is also reviewing for environmental effects, as mandated by the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and for conformity with plans and policies of the County.

Based upon this review, a determination will be made regarding conditions to be imposed on the project, including necessary on-site and off-site improvements.

We must have your comments by <u>June 14, 2021</u>. Any comments received after this date may not be used.

NOTE - THIS WILL BE OUR ONLY REQUEST FOR WRITTEN COMMENTS. If you do not have comments, please provide a "NO COMMENT" response to our office by the above deadline (e-mail is also acceptable; see email address below).

Please address any correspondence or questions related to environmental and/or policy/design issues to me, Thomas Kobayashi, Planner, Development Services and Capital Projects Division, Fresno County Department of Public Works and Planning, 2220 Tulare Street, Sixth Floor, Fresno, CA 93721, or call (559) 600-4224, or email TKobayashi@FresnoCountyCA.Gov.

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Activity Code (Internal Review):2432

Enclosures

MAILING ADDRESS:

Department of Public Works and Planning

Development Services and Capital Projects Division

Date Received: 4/2/21 Fresno County Department of Public Works and Planning

CUP 3707 IS 8043

LOCATION: Southwest corner of Tulare & "M" Streets, Suite A

Street Level

	Tulare St., 6 th Floor no, Ca. 93721		Fresno Phone: (559) 600-4497
APPLICATION FOR:			DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED USE OR REQUEST:
☐ Pre-Application (Type)			A & adits Strage
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and deeds as specified on the LOCATION OF PROPERTY:	e rie-Application Review. A	ittach Copy of Deed, in	etely. Attach required site plans, forms, statements, including Legal Description. Aclam 3 Ave (B)
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Representative (Print or Type)	Address	City	Zip Phone
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Development Services and **Capital Projects**

Email greg@inseasonag.com Pre-Application Review

Department of Public Works and Planning

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CNEL: No X Yes (level) LOW WATER: No	ALCC. NOA TEST	VIOLATION NO. None MILE OF CITY: No Yes Kingsbu
ZONE DISTRICT: AE-20 ; SRA: No X		
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PROPOSAL Conditional Use Permit to allow for a farm	supply sales offices with far	m supply storage.
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Floor Plan & Elevations - 4 copies (folded to	> 8.5"X11") + 1 - 8.5"x11	" reduction
Project Description / Operational Statement	(Typed)	
) Statement of Variance Findings		PLU # 113 Fee: \$247.00
) Statement of Intended Use (ALCC)		Note: This fee will apply to the application fee
) Dependency Relationship Statement		if the application is submitted within six (6)
) Resolution/Letter of Release from City of		months of the date on this receipt.
Referral Letter #		
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County of Fresno

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND PLANNING STEVEN E. WHITE, DIRECTOR

INITIAL STUDY APPLICATION

INSTRUCTIONS

Answer all questions completely. An incomplete form may delay processing of your application. Use additional paper if necessary and attach any supplemental information to this form. Attach an operational statement if appropriate. This application will be distributed to several agencies and persons to determine the potential environmental effects of your proposal. Please complete the form in a legible and reproducible manner (i.e., USE BLACK INK OR TYPE).

OFFICE USE ONLY
IS No. <u>8043</u>
Project No(s). <u>CUP 3707</u>
Application Rec'd.:

GENERAL INFORMATION

Property Owner: In Spaton

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<i>1</i> .	Property Owner: In Season Ha	Ph.	one/Fax_559-802-4008
	Mailing Address: PO Box 7814	Visalia	CH 93290
	Street	City	State/Zip
2.	Applicant:	Pho	ne/Fax:
	Mailing Address:		
	Street	City	State/Zip
<i>3</i> .	Representative:	Phor	ne/Fax:
	Mailing Address:		
	Street	City	State/Zip
4.	Proposed Project: Ag Commodity	Storage warehouse	/office
			F-20.
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5.	Project Location: Partury Drive	and the state of	O ve
	Adams Ave & Button w	illow Ave, R	eedley, CA
5.	Project Address: N/A		1)
7.	Section/Township/Range: 17 15		Size: 36 acres
).	Assessor's Parcel No.	360-180-245	OVER

10	. Land Conservation Contract No. (If applicable): NA
11	. What other agencies will you need to get permits or authorization from:
	LAFCo (annexation or extension of services) CALTRANS Division of Aeronautics Water Quality Control Board Other SJVUAPCD (Air Pollution Control District) Reclamation Board Department of Energy Airport Land Use Commission
12.	Will the project utilize Federal funds or require other Federal authorization subject to the provisions of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969? Yes — No
	If so, please provide a copy of all related grant and/or funding documents, related information and environmental review requirements.
13.	Existing Zone District': 4E 40
14.	Existing General Plan Land Use Designation1: Farming
	VIRONMENTAL INFORMATION
15.	Present land use: Farming Describe existing physical improvements including buildings, water (wells) and sewage facilities, roads, and lighting. Include a site plan or map showing these improvements: Citrus Farm
	Describe the major vegetative cover: Restance for frests Cifrus
	Any perennial or intermittent water courses? If so, show on map: No.
	Is property in a flood-prone area? Describe:
16.	Describe surrounding land uses (e.g., commercial, agricultural, residential, school, etc.): North: Graning South: Farning
	East: High 39 Farming
	West: Farming

17.	7. What land use(s) in the area may be impacted by your Project?: No impact.		
18.	What land use(s) in the area may impact your project?: No impact-		
19.	Transportatio	n:	
	NOTE: The may	information below will be used in determining traffic impacts from this project. The da also show the need for a Traffic Impact Study (TIS) for the project.	
	A. Will, add	itional driveways from the proposed project site be necessary to access public roads? Yes No	
	B. Daily tra	ffic generation:	
	I.	Residential - Number of Units Lot Size Single Family Apartments	
	II.	Commercial - Number of Employees Number of Salesmen Number of Delivery Trucks Total Square Footage of Building	
	III.	Describe and quantify other traffic generation activities:	
		Truck deliveries on Fridays weekly.	
٠	Describe any so None .	ource(s) of noise from your project that may affect the surrounding area:	
	Describe any so	nurce(s) of noise in the area that may affect your project: Higher Road None.	
!. <i>1</i>	Describe the probable source(s) of air pollution from your project:		
3. Proposed source of water: (X) private well () community system³-name:			

24.	Anticipated volume of water to be used (gallons per day)2: ~ 100 g allons	
25.	Proposed method of liquid waste disposal: (X) septic system/individual () community system³-name	
26.	Estimated volume of liquid waste (gallons per day) 2 : ~ 10 gallons	
<i>27</i> .	Anticipated type(s) of liquid waste: Human	
28.	Anticipated type(s) of hazardous wastes ² : None	
29.	Anticipated volume of hazardous wastes²: $\ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \$	
<i>30</i> .	Proposed method of hazardous waste disposal ² : \(\nabla\) \(\nabla\)	
31.	Anticipated type(s) of solid waste:	
32.	Anticipated amount of solid waste (tons or cubic yards per day): Not much	
33. A	Inticipated amount of waste that will be recycled (tons or cubic yards per day):_ ~~e	
	Proposed method of solid waste disposal: Septic	
<i>35</i> .	Fire protection district(s) serving this area: Fresno County	
36.	Has a previous application been processed on this site? If so, list title and date:	
3 <i>7</i> .	Do you have any underground storage tanks (except septic tanks)? Yes No_火	
38.	If yes, are they currently in use? Yes No	
To th	IE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE, THE FOREGOING INFORMATION IS TRUE.	
9-M. G. 1-22-2021		
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(Revised 12/14/18)

¹Refer to Development Services and Capital Projects Conference Checklist
²For assistance, contact Environmental Health System, (559) 600-3357
³For County Service Areas or Waterworks Districts, contact the Resources Division, (559) 600-4259

NOTICE AND ACKNOWLEDGMENT

INDEMNIFICATION AND DEFENSE

The Board of Supervisors has adopted a policy that applicants should be made aware that they may be responsible for participating in the defense of the County in the event a lawsuit is filed resulting from the County's action on your project. You may be required to enter into an agreement to indemnify and defend the County if it appears likely that litigation could result from the County's action. The agreement would require that you deposit an appropriate security upon notice that a lawsuit has been filed. In the event that you fail to comply with the provisions of the agreement, the County may rescind its approval of the project.

STATE FISH AND WILDLIFE FEE

State law requires that specified fees (effective January 1, 2020: \$3,343.25 for an EIR; \$2,406.75 for a Mitigated/Negative Declaration) be paid to the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) for projects which must be reviewed for potential adverse effect on wildlife resources. The County is required to collect the fees on behalf of CDFW. A \$50.00 handling fee will also be charged, as provided for in the legislation, to defray a portion of the County's costs for collecting the fees.

The following projects are exempt from the fees:

- 1. All projects statutorily exempt from the provisions of CEQA (California Environmental Quality Act).
- 2. All projects categorically exempt by regulations of the Secretary of Resources (State of California) from the requirement to prepare environmental documents.

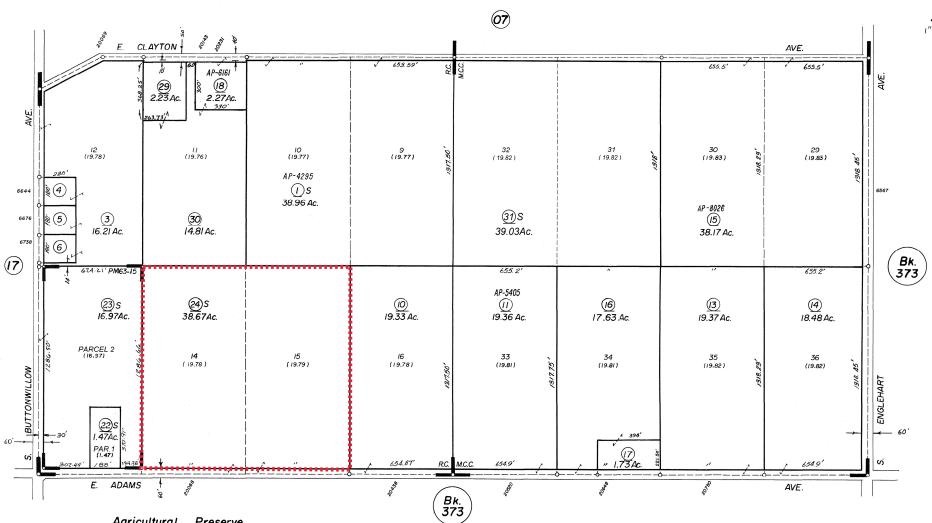
A fee exemption may be issued by CDFW for eligible projects determined by that agency to have "no effect on wildlife." That determination must be provided in advance from CDFW to the County at the request of the applicant. You may wish to call the local office of CDFW at (559) 222-3761 if you need more information.

Upon completion of the Initial Study you will be notified of the applicable fee. Payment of the fee will be required before your project will be forwarded to the project analyst for scheduling of any required hearings and final processing. The fee will be refunded if the project should be denied by the County.

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Applicant's Signature	Date	

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This map is for Assessment purposes only. It is not to be construed as portraying legal ownership or divisions of land for purposes of zoning or subdivision law.



Agricultural Preserve

Mt. Campbell Colony - R.S. Bk. 2, Pg. 28

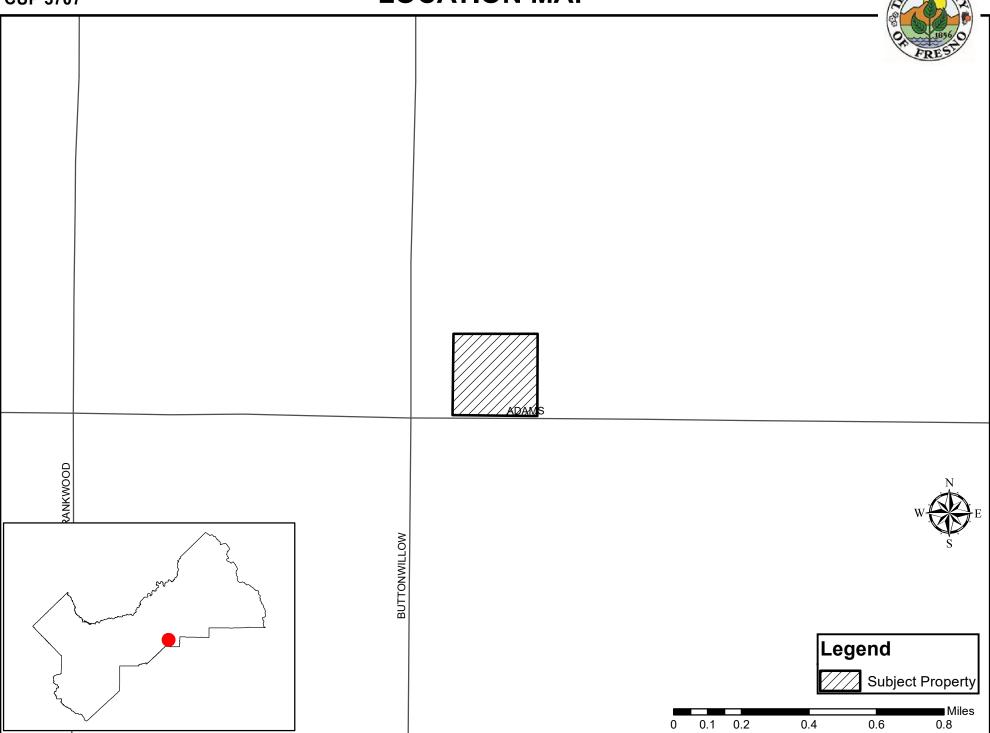
Rico Colony - R.S. Bk. 4, Pg. 32

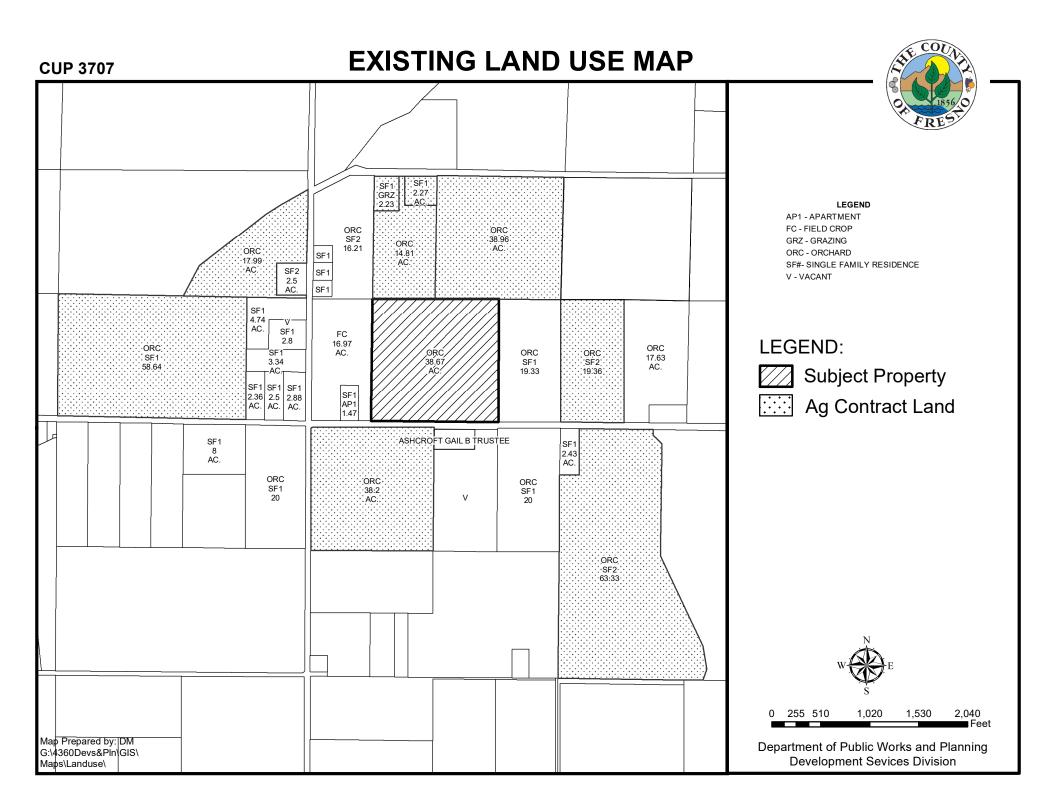
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Assessor's Map Bk.360-Pg.18
County of Fresno, Calif.

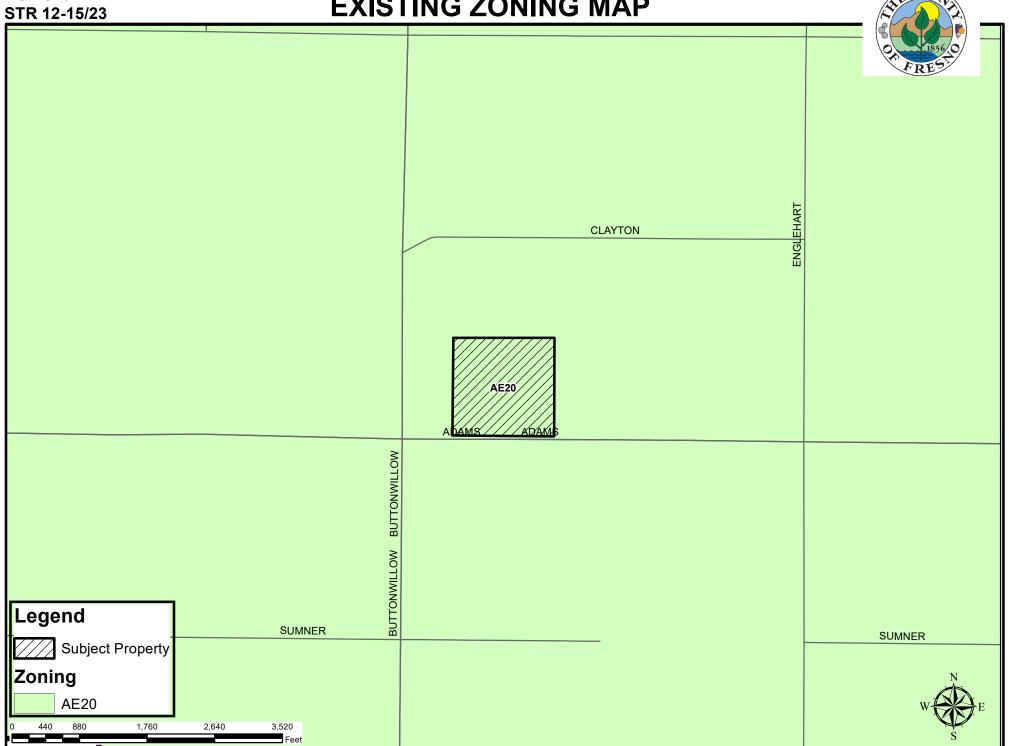
NOTE - Assessor's Block Numbers Shown in Ellipses.
Assessor's Parcel Numbers Shown in Circles.

LOCATION MAP





EXISTING ZONING MAP



FRESNO County Recorder Paul Dictos, C.P.A. DOC-2017-0147256-00 Acct 3078-Chicago Title - Fresno Tuesday, NOV 14, 2017 12:49:28 NPC \$20.00|| Ttl Pd \$1,687.00 Rcpt # 0004884794

RECORDING REQUESTED BY: Chicago Title Company

When Recorded Mail Document and Tax Statement To: Ryan E Cox et al 2715 S. Aspen Visalia, CA 93277

Title No.: FWFM-TO17001601

SPACE ABOVE THIS LINE FOR RECORDER'S USE

Escrow Order No.: FWVI-4211703405 Property Address: APN: 360-180-23S and

24S,

Reedley, CA 93654

APN/Parcel ID(s): 360-180-23s

360-180-24s

GRANT DEED

JJC/E1/1-3

The undersigned grantor(s) declare(s)

	This transfer is exempt from the documentary transfer tax.
Ø	The documentary transfer tax is \$1,650.00 and is computed on:
	★ the full value of the interest or property conveyed.
	The full value less the liens or encumbrances remaining thereon at the time of sale.

The property is located in \(\mathbb{I}\) the Clty of Reedley.

FOR A VALUABLE CONSIDERATION, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, Danna M. Kasparian and Ronald D. Surablan, Co-Trustees of the Surablan Family Grantor Trust dated September 18, 2014

hereby GRANT(S) to Ryan E Cox, a single man as to an undivided 1/3 interest and Gregory Cox, a single man as to an undivided 1/3 Interest and Roger Cox, a married man as his sole and separate property as to an undivided 1/3 interest, all as tenants in common

the following described real property in the City of Reedley, County of Fresno, State of California:

SEE EXHIBIT "A" ATTACHED HERETO AND MADE A PART HEREOF

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DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND PLANNING DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DIVISION

MAIL TAX STATEMENTS AS DIRECTED ABOVE

RECORDING REQUESTED BY: Chicago Title Company	Doc _{timeon} ,
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Title No.: FWFM-TO17001601	
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	GRANT DEED
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FOR A VALUABLE CONSIDERATION, receipt of D. Surabian, Co-Trustees of the Surabian Family (of which is hereby acknowledged, Danna M. Kasparian and Ronald Grantor Trust dated September 18, 2014

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MAIL TAX STATEMENTS AS DIRECTED ABOVE

GRANT DEED

(continued)

APN/Parcel ID(s): 360-180-23s 360-180-24s

Dated: October 19, 2017

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned have executed this document on the date(s) set forth below. the Surabian Family Grantor Trust dated September 18, 2014 Danna M Kasparian Co-Trustee Ronald D Surabian Co-Trustee A notary public or other officer completing this certificate verifies only the identity of the individual who signed the document to which this certificate is attached, and not the truthfulness, accuracy, or validity of that document. State of _ County of , Notary Public, (here insert name and title of the officer) personally appeared who proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the person(s) whose name(s) is/are subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he/she/they executed the same in his/her/their authorized capacity(ies), and that by his/her/their signature(s) on the instrument the person(s), or the entity upon behalf of which the person(s) acted, executed the instrument. I certify under PENALTY OF PERJURY under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing paragraph is true and WITNESS my hand and official seal D CONDELL OTARY PUBLIC - CALIFORNIA Signature COMMISSION # 2177977 TULARE COUNTY (Seal)

My Comm. Exp. Jahuary 28, 2021

EXHIBIT "A"

Legal Description

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THE LAND REFERRED TO HEREIN BELOW IS SITUATED IN THE CITY OF REEDLEY, COUNTY OF FRESNO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA AND IS DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

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LOTS 14 AND 15 OF RICO COLONY, IN THE COUNTY OF FRESNO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, ACCORDING TO THE MAP RECORDED IN BOOK 4, PAGE 32 OF RECORD OF SURVEYS, IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY RECORDER OF SAID COUNTY.

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Approximately 60 or whatever the County requirements for parking spaces are for the size of the building.

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No goods sold on site, nor grown on site.

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Forklifts to load the delivery trucks.

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Plastic packaging used for produce. Stored on standard pallets.

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The facility will not cause noise, glare, odor, nor dust. Simply a storage facility.

12. Solid or Liquid wastes:

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13. Volume of Water:

No significant volume of water used aside from toilets and sinks in the office.

14. Building Advertising:

One sign near the road and sign on the building.

15. Building:

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16. Building portion used in operation:

All of the square footage will be used for storage. The office will be used strictly as office space.

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Outdoor lighting will be used to light the building for security purposes. No sound amplification will be used.

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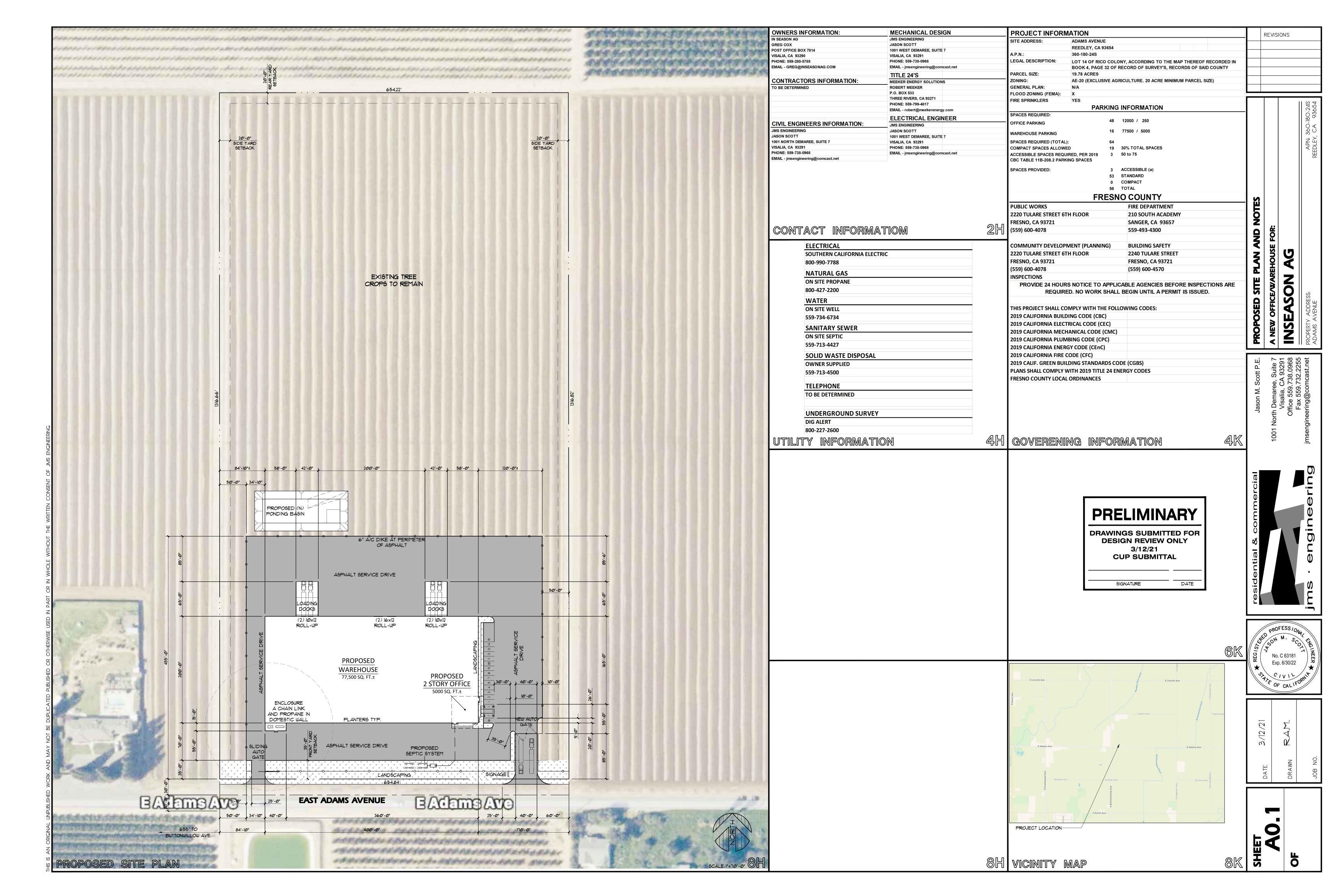
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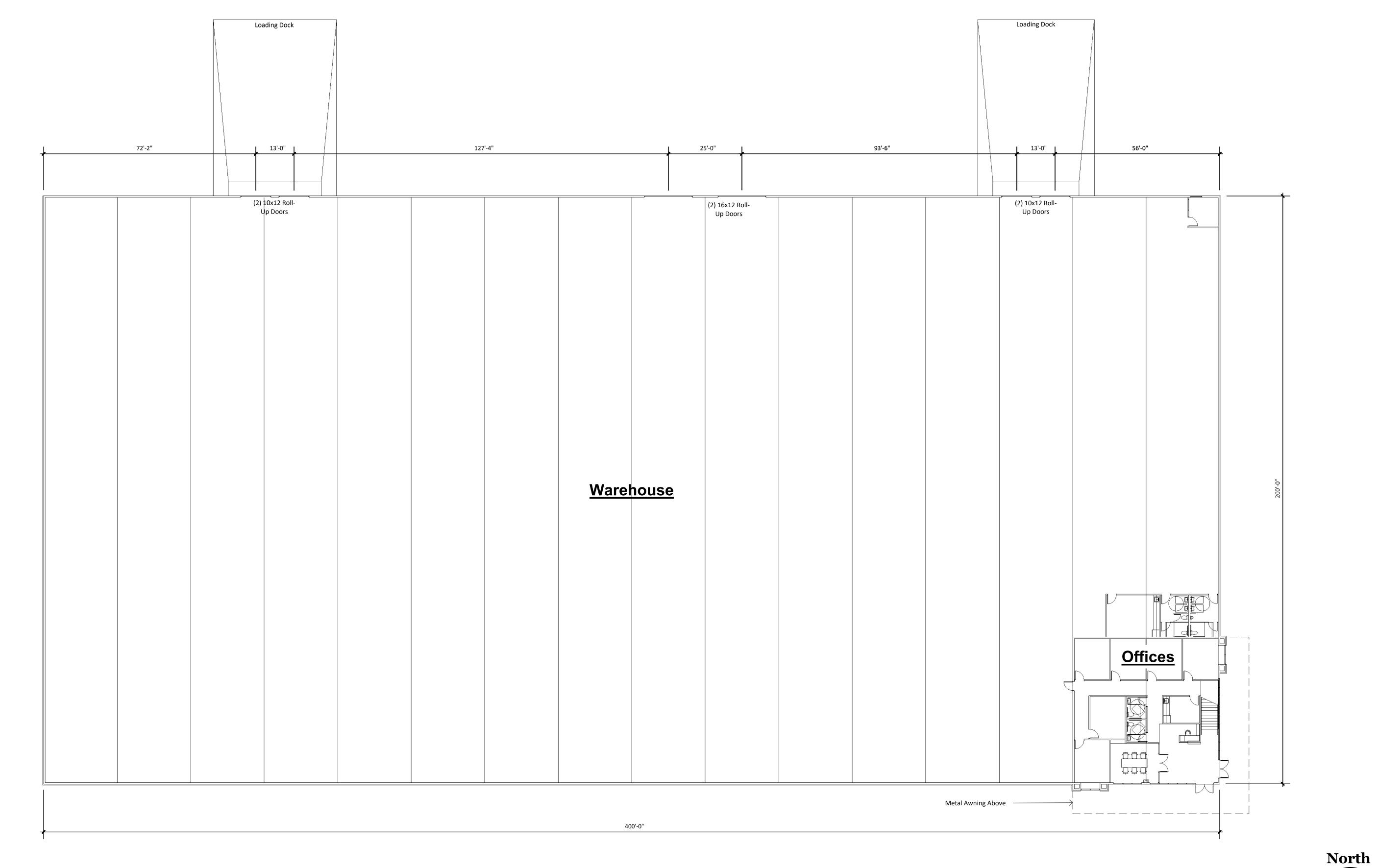
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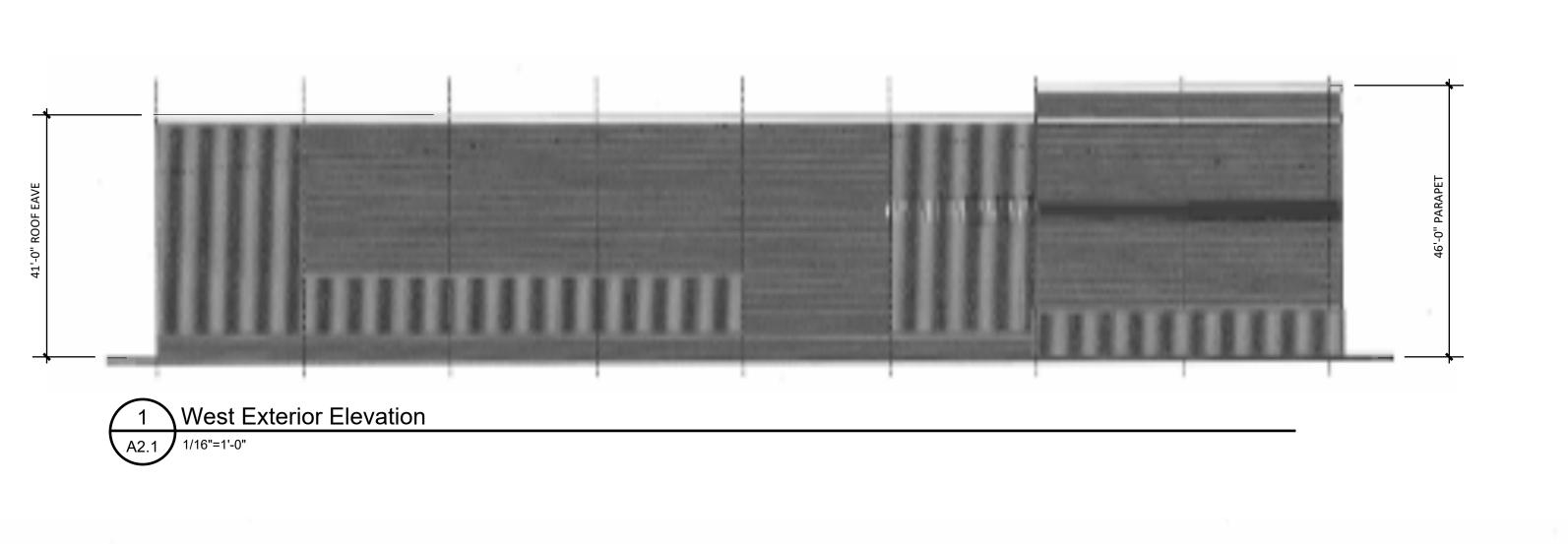
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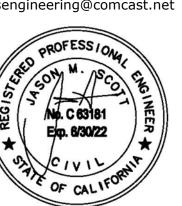
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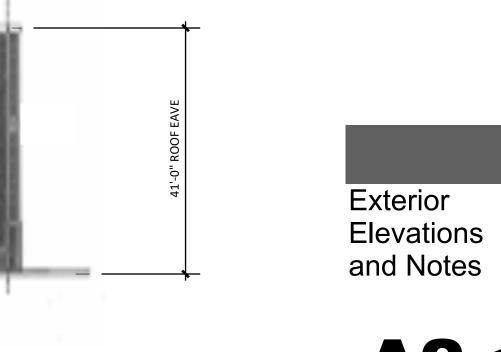


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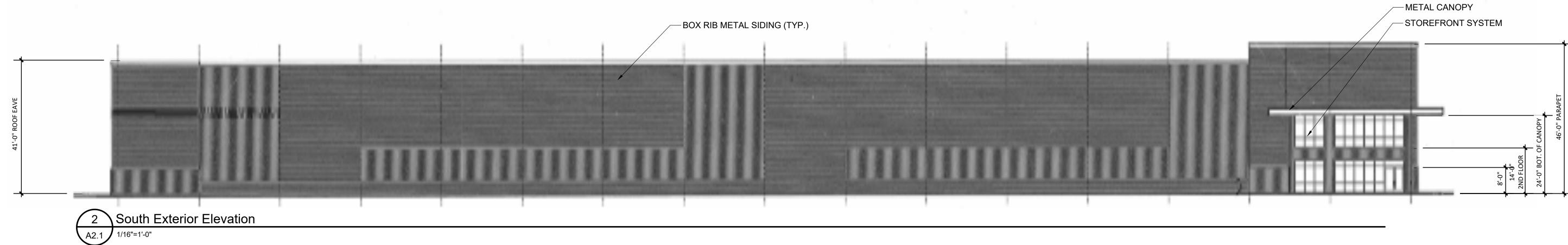
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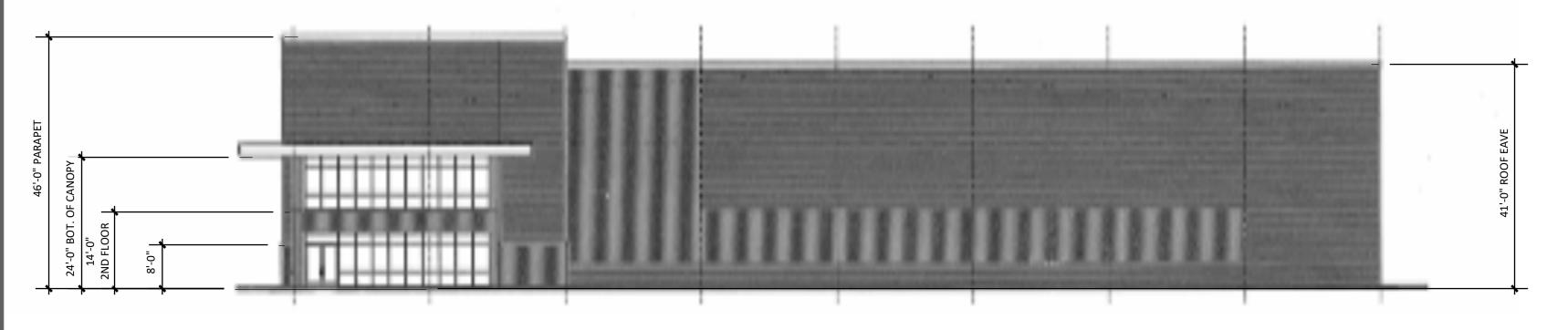
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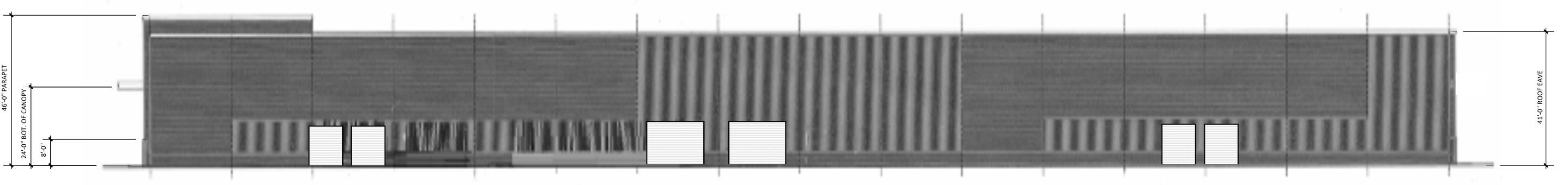


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