INITIAL STUDY/NEGATIVE DECLARATION

[Pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21080(c) and California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Sections 15070-15071]

LEAD AGENCY: San Joaquin County Community Development Department

PROJECT APPLICANT: WMB Architects

PROJECT TITLE/FILE NUMBER(S): PA-1800106

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: This project is a Revisions of Approved Actions application to revise the previously approved expansion of an existing regional religious assembly in two (2) phases over five (5) years. The revisions reduce the expansion from 17,727 square feet to 9,055 square feet. The two-part phasing and five (5) year timeline will remain the same. The proposed revisions include eliminating the proposed 12,000 square foot multi-purpose building in Phase 1 and instead converting an existing 5,055 square foot residence on an adjacent parcel into classrooms for Christian Education Activity and eliminating the proposed Phase 2 conversion of the 5,055 square foot residence into an administrative office and utilization of an existing 672 square foot storage building and instead demolishing the 672 square foot storage building and constructing a 4,000 square foot addition to the classroom building (former residence) to be used for assembly space for Christian Education Activity. The expansion will not result in an increase in the 1,176-person seating capacity of the religious assembly. Sewer service will be provided by the City of Stockton, water service will be provided by California Water Service, and storm water will be retained in an existing on-site retention basin.

The project site is located on the east side of 'B' Street, 250 feet south of Thirteenth Street, in Stockton. Access to the site is from 'B' Street on the west side and from 'D' Street on the east side.

ASSESSORS PARCEL NO(S).: <u>171-190-23, -36</u>

ACRES: 13.08

GENERAL PLAN: R/L

ZONING: R-L

POTENTIAL POPULATION, NUMBER OF DWELLING UNITS, OR SQUARE FOOTAGE OF USE(S):

<u>An addition of 9,055 square feet of structures to an existing religious assembly for a total of 50,842 square feet.</u>

<u>Maximum seating capacity of 1,176 people remains the same.</u>

SURROUNDING LAND USES:

NORTH: Residential / City of Stockton

SOUTH: Residential / City of Stockton / Duck Creek

EAST: Agriculture with scattered residences / State Route 99

WEST: Residential / City of Stockton

REFERENCES AND SOURCES FOR DETERMINING ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS:

Original source materials and maps on file in the Community Development Department including: all County and City general plans and community plans; assessor parcel books; various local and FEMA flood zone maps; service district maps; maps of geologic instability; maps and reports on endangered species such as the Natural Diversity Data Base; noise contour maps; specific roadway plans; maps and/or records of archeological/historic resources; soil reports and maps; etc.

TRIBAL CULTURAL RESOURCES:

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.?

No.

GENERAL CONSIDERATIONS:

1.	Does it appear that any environmental feature of the project will generate significant public concern or controversy?						
		Yes	X	No			
	Nature	e of conc	ern(s):				
2.	Will th	e projec	require	e approval or permits by agencies other than the County?			
		Yes	X	No			
	Agend	cy name(s):				
3.	Is the	project v	vithin th	e Sphere of Influence, or within two miles, of any city?			
	X	Yes		No			
	City:	Stockto	<u>n</u>				

ENVIRONMENTAL FACTORS POTENTIALLY AFFECTED:

a "Potentially Significant Impact" as indicated by the checklist on the following pages. Agriculture and Forestry Resources Air Quality **Aesthetics** Cultural Resources Energy **Biological Resources** Hazards & Hazardous Materials Greenhouse Gas Emissions Geology / Soils Mineral Resources Land Use / Planning Hydrology / Water Quality **Public Services** Noise Population / Housing Tribal Cultural Resources Recreation Transportation Wildfire Mandatory Findings of Significance Utilities / Service Systems **DETERMINATION:** (To be completed by the Lead Agency) On the basis of this initial evaluation: I find that the proposed project COULD NOT have a significant effect on the environment, and a NEGATIVE **DECLARATION** will be prepared. I find that although the proposed project could have a significant effect on the environment, there will not be a significant effect in this case because revisions in the project have been made by or agreed to by the project proponent. A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION will be prepared. I find that the proposed project MAY have a significant effect on the environment, and an ENVIRONMENTAL **IMPACT REPORT** is required. I find that the proposed project MAY have a "potentially significant impact" or "potentially significant unless mitigated" impact on the environment, but at least one effect 1) has been adequately analyzed in an earlier document pursuant to applicable legal standards, and 2) has been addressed by mitigation measures based on the earlier analysis as described on attached sheets. An ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT is required, but it must analyze only the effects that remain to be addressed. I find that although the proposed project could have a significant effect on the environment, because all potentially significant effects (a) have been analyzed adequately in an earlier EIR or NEGATIVE DECLARATION pursuant to applicable standards, and (b) have been avoided or mitigated pursuant to that earlier EIR or NEGATIVE **DECLARATION**, including revisions or mitigation measures that are imposed upon the proposed project, nothing further is required. sa Loulant

The environmental factors checked below would be potentially affected by this project, involving at least one impact that is

EVALUATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS:

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

ISSUES:

<u>I. A</u>	<u>ESTHETICS.</u>	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant with Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact	Analyzed In The Prior EIR
	cept as provided in Public Resources Code Section 099, would the project:					
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?				X	
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 publically accessible vantage point). If the project is in an urbanized area, would the project conflict with applicable zoning and other regulations governing scenic quality?				X	
d)	Create a new source of substantial light or glare which would adversely affect day or nighttime views in the area?			×		

- a-c) The proposed project is located on South 'B' Street and South 'D' Street in the urban community of Stockton. Pursuant to San Joaquin County General Plan 2035 Natural and Cultural Resources Element Figure NCR-1 (page 3.4-13), neither South 'B' Street nor South 'D' Street in Stockton are designated as a Scenic Route. Therefore the project will not impact a scenic vista or zoning and other regulations governing scenic quality.
- d) The proposed project is an expansion to an existing religious assembly. The existing facility has parking for 512 vehicles with outdoor lighting throughout. Outdoor lighting is conditioned to be designed to confine direct rays to the premises, allowing no spillover beyond the property lines. The proposed expansion will add fourteen (14) parking stalls to the site. Any new lighting will be similarly conditioned therefore, the project is expected to have a less than significant impact on light or glare.

Less Than **Less Than Analyzed Potentially** Significant with In The Significant Significant No Mitigation **Impact Impact** Impact Prior EIR Incorporated II. AGRICULTURE 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 provided in Forest Protocols adopted by the California Air Resources Board. -- Would the project: a) Convert Prime Farmland, Unique Farmland, or Farmland of Statewide Importance (Farmland), as shown on the maps prepared pursuant to the Farmland Mapping and Monitoring Program of the California Resources Agency, to nonagricultural use? b) Conflict with existing zoning for agricultural use, or a Williamson Act contract? c) Conflict with existing zoning for, or cause rezoning of, forest land (as defined in Public Resources Code section 12220(g)), timberland (as defined by Public Resources Code section 4526), or timberland zoned Timberland Production (as defined by Government Code section 51104(g))? d) Result in the loss of forest land or conversion of forest land to non-forest use?

Impact Discussion:

- a) The subject property is zoned Low Density Residential (R-L) and is not identified or designated as Prime or Unique Farmland or as Farmland of Statewide Importance on maps provided by the California Department of Conservation's Farmland Mapping and Monitoring Program. The Department of Conservation categorizes the site as Urban and Built-up Land. Land with this designation is intended for use as residential, industrial, commercial, construction, institutional, public administration, railroad and other transportation yards, cemeteries, airports, golf courses, sanitary landfills, sewage treatment, water control structures, and other developed purposes. Therefore, the proposed project, a revisions of approved actions for the expansion of an existing religious assembly, will not convert important farmland to non-agricultural use.
- b) The subject property is zoned Low Density Residential (R-L) and is not zoned for agricultural use. Therefore, the proposed project will not conflict with an agricultural use and is not under a Williamson Act contract.

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?

- c-d) The subject property is not located in an area of forest land, timberland, or Timberland Production as defined by Public Resources Code and Government Code therefore, the project will have no impact on corresponding zoning or conversion of such land.
 - e) The subject property is not classified as Farmland or forest land therefore the project will have no impact on the conversion of such lands.

<u> III. </u>	AIR QUALITY.	Potentially Significant Impact	Significant with Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact	Analyzed In The Prior EIR
the con	ere available, the significance criteria established by applicable air quality management or air pollution trol district may be relied upon to make the following erminations. Would the project:					
a)	Conflict with or obstruct implementation of the applicable air quality plan?			×		
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?			×		
c)	Expose sensitive receptors to substantial pollutant concentrations?			×		
d)	Result in substantial emissions (such as those leading to odors) adversely affecting a substantial number of people?			×		

a-d) The proposed project is a revisions of approved actions for a previously-approved expansion of an existing religious assembly. The San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District (SJVAPCD) has been established by the State in an effort to control and minimize air pollution. The project was referred to the SJVAPCD for review on July 26, 2019. A response from SJVAPCD dated August 7, 2019, stated that the District concluded that the project would have a less than significant impact on air quality when compared to significance thresholds. The applicant will be required to meet existing requirements for emissions and dust control as established by SJVAPCD with any future development. Therefore, any impacts are expected to be less than significant.

		Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant with Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact	Analyzed In The Prior EIR
IV.	BIOLOGICAL RESOURCES.	·	•			
Wo	uld 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 Game or U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service?			×		
b)	Have a substantial adverse effect on any riparian habitat or other sensitive natural community identified in local or regional plans, policies, regulations or by the California Department of Fish and Game or US Fish and Wildlife Service?				×	
c)	Have a substantial adverse effect on state or federally protected wetlands (including, but not limited to, marsh, vernal pool, coastal, etc.) through direct removal, filling, hydrological interruption, or other means?				×	
d)	Interfere substantially with the movement of any native resident or migratory fish or wildlife species or with established native resident or migratory wildlife corridors, or impede the use of native wildlife nursery sites?			×		
e)	Conflict with any local policies or ordinances protecting biological resources, such as a tree preservation policy or ordinance?			X		
f)	Conflict with the provisions of an adopted Habitat Conservation Plan, Natural Community Conservation Plan, or other approved local, regional, or state habitat conservation plan?			X		
Im	neet Discussion:					

a) The California Department of Fish and Wildlife Natural Diversity Database lists *Buteo swainsoni* (Swainson's Hawk), Elanus leucurus (white-tailed kite), and Athene cunicularia (burrowing owl) as rare, endangered, or threatened species or habitat located on or near the site for the proposed project. Referrals have been sent to the San Joaquin Council of Governments (SJCOG), the agency responsible for verifying the correct implementation of the San Joaquin County Multi-Species Habitat Conservation and Open Space Plan (SJMSCP), which provides compensation for the conversion of Open Space to non-Open Space uses which affect the plant, fish and wildlife species covered by the Plan. Pursuant to the Final EIR/EIS for SJMSCP, dated November 15, 2000, and certified by SJCOG on December 7, 2000, implementation of the SJMSCP is expected to reduce impacts to biological resources resulting from the proposed project to a level of less-than-significant.

SJCOG responded to this project referral that the project is subject to the SJMSCP. The applicant has confirmed that he will participate in SJMSCP. With the applicant's participation, the proposed project is consistent with the SJMSCP and any impacts to biological resources resulting from the proposed project will be reduced to a level of less-than-significant.

b-c) The subject property has no riparian habitat or wetlands located within its boundaries, therefore the proposed project, a revisions of approved actions for a previously-approved expansion of an existing religious assembly, will not have an

impact on riparian habitat or wetlands.

d-f) This application, a revisions of approved actions for a previously-approved expansion of an existing religious assembly, was previously conditioned to participate in the SJMSCP in order to reduce impacts to biological resources to a less than significant level and participation will continue to be a requirement. With the applicant's participation in the SJMSCP, the proposed project is consistent with the SJMSCP and any impacts to biological resources resulting from the proposed project will be reduced to a level of less-than-significant.

V. (CULTURAL RESOURCES.	Potentially Significant Impact	Less I nan Significant with Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No	Analyzed In The Prior EIR
Wo	uld the project:					
a)	Cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a historical resource pursuant to §15064.5?				×	
b)	Cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of an archaeological resource pursuant to § 15064.5?			×		
c)	Disturb any human remains, including those interred outside of dedicated cemeteries?			X		

- a) The proposed project is a revisions of approved actions for a previously-approved expansion of an existing religious assembly. The project will have no impact on Cultural Resources as there are no resources on the project site that are listed or are eligible for listing on a local register, the California Register of Historic Places, or National Register of Historic Places.
- b) The proposed project is a revisions of approved actions for a previously-approved expansion of an existing religious assembly. If approved, the project will be expanding to a parcel that is already developed with an existing dwelling and garage. The project was referred to the California Tribal TANF Partnership, the CA Native American Heritage Commission, the California Valley Miwok Tribe, the North Valley Yokuts Tribe, and the United Auburn Indian Community. No requests for consult were received. As a result, it is anticipated that the project will have a less than significant impact on any archeological resource.
- c) In the event human remains are encountered during any portion of the project, California state law requires that there shall be no further excavation or disturbance of the site or any nearby area reasonably suspected to overlie adjacent remains until the coroner of the county has determined manner and cause of death, and the recommendations concerning the treatment and disposition of the human remains have been made to the person responsible for the excavation (California Health and Safety Code Section 7050.5). Following health and safety codes will ensure that any impact to human remains will be less than significant.

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VI.	ENERGY.				
Wo	uld the project:				
a)	Result in a potentially significant environmental impact due to wasteful, inefficient, or unnecessary consumption of energy, or wasteful use of energy resources, during project construction or operation?			×	
b)	Conflict with or obstruct a state or local plan for renewable energy or energy efficiency?			×	

a-b) The California Energy Code (also titled The Energy Efficiency Standards for Residential and Non-residential Buildings) was created by the California Building Standards Commission in response to a legislative mandate to reduce California's energy consumption. The code's purpose is to advance the state's energy policy, develop renewable energy sources and prepare for energy emergencies. The code includes energy conservation standards applicable to most buildings throughout California. These requirements will be applicable to the proposed project ensuring that any impact to the environment due to wasteful, inefficient, or unnecessary consumption of energy will be less than significant and preventing any conflict with state or local plans for energy efficiency and renewable energy.

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VII.	GE	OLOGY AND SOILS.			•	The property level	
Wo	uld t	he project:					
a)	adv	ectly or indirectly cause potential substantial verse effects, including the risk of loss, injury, or ath involving:			×		
	i)	Rupture of a known earthquake fault, as delineated on the most recent Alquist-Priolo Earthquake Fault Zoning Map issued by the State Geologist for the area or based on other substantial evidence of a known fault? Refer to Division of Mines and Geology Special Publication 42.			×		
	ii)	Strong seismic ground shaking?			X		
	iii)	Seismic-related ground failure, including liquefaction?			X		
	iv)	Landslides?			×		
b)		sult in substantial soil erosion or the loss of soil?			×		
c)	or pro lan	located on a geologic unit or soil that is unstable, that would become unstable as a result of the sject, and potentially result in on- or off-site dslide, lateral spreading, subsidence, liquefaction collapse?			×		
d)		located on expansive soil and create direct or irect risks to life or property?			×		
e)	use dis	ve soils incapable of adequately supporting the e of septic tanks or alternative waste water posal systems where sewers are not available for e disposal of waste water?				X	
f)	pal	rectly or indirectly destroy a unique leontological resource or site or unique geologic ature?			×		

- a) The geology of San Joaquin County is composed of high organic alluvium, which is susceptible to earthquake movement. The project will have to comply with the California Building Code (CBC) which includes provisions for soils reports for grading and foundations as well as design criteria for seismic loading and other geologic hazards based on fault and seismic hazard mapping. All recommendations from a soils report must be incorporated into the construction plans. Therefore, impacts to seismic-related (or other) landslide hazards will be less than significant.
- b) The project will not result in substantial soil erosion or the loss of topsoil because the project will require a grading permit and the grading will be done under permit and inspection by the San Joaquin County Community Development Department's Building Division. As a result, impacts to soil erosion or loss of topsoil will be less than significant.
- c-d) The project site is relatively flat terrain where landslides have not historically been an issue. A soils report will be required

for grading and foundations and all recommendations from a soils report must be incorporated into the construction plans. Therefore, any risks resulting from being located on an unstable unit will be reduced to less than significant.

- e) The City of Stockton provides sewer service to the project site. Development on the site will not require an onsite septic tank or alternative wastewater disposal system for the disposal of wastewater.
- f) The project site is currently developed with a dwelling and a garage. Any future development will be on the site of previously disturbed land therefore, there is a less than significant chance the project will destroy unique paleontological resources or unique geologic features.

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

a-b) Emissions of GHGs contributing to global climate change are attributable in large part to human activities associated with the industrial/manufacturing, utility, transportation, residential, and agricultural sectors. Therefore, the cumulative global emissions of GHGs contributing to global climate change can be attributed to every nation, region, and city, and virtually every individual on earth. An individual project's GHG emissions are at a micro-scale level relative to global emissions and effects to global climate change; however, an individual project could result in a cumulatively considerable incremental contribution to a significant cumulative macro-scale impact. As such, impacts related to emissions of GHG are inherently considered cumulative impacts.

Implementation of the proposed project would cumulatively contribute to increases of GHG emissions. Estimated GHG emissions attributable to future development would be primarily associated with increases of carbon dioxide (CO₂) and, to a lesser extent, other GHG pollutants, such as methane (CH₄) and nitrous oxide (N₂O) associated with area sources, mobile sources or vehicles, utilities (electricity and natural gas), water usage, wastewater generation, and the generation of solid waste. The primary source of GHG emissions for the project would be mobile source emissions. The common unit of measurement for GHG is expressed in terms of annual metric tons of CO₂ equivalents (MTCO₂e/yr).

As noted previously, the proposed project will be subject to the rules and regulations of the SJVAPCD. The SJVAPCD has adopted the *Guidance for Valley Land- use Agencies in Addressing GHG Emission Impacts for New Projects under CEQA* and the *District Policy – Addressing GHG Emission Impacts for Stationary Source Projects Under CEQA When Serving as the Lead Agency.11* The guidance and policy rely on the use of performance-based standards, otherwise known as Best Performance Standards (BPS) to assess significance of project specific greenhouse gas emissions on global climate change during the environmental review process, as required by CEQA. To be determined to have a less-than-significant individual and cumulative impact with regard to GHG emissions, projects must include BPS sufficient to reduce GHG emissions by 29 percent when compared to Business As Usual (BAU) GHG emissions. Per the SJVAPCD, BAU is defined as projected emissions for the 2002-2004 baseline period. Projects which do not achieve a 29 percent reduction from BAU levels with BPS alone are required to quantify additional project-specific reductions demonstrating a combined reduction of 29 percent. Potential mitigation measures may include, but not limited to: on-site renewable energy (e.g. solar photovoltaic systems), electric vehicle charging stations, the use of alternative-fueled vehicles, exceeding Title 24 energy efficiency standards, the installation of energy-efficient lighting and control systems, the installation of energy-efficient mechanical systems, the installation of drought-tolerant landscaping, efficient irrigation systems, and the use of low-flow plumbing fixtures.

It should be noted that neither the SJVAPCD nor the County provide project-level thresholds for construction-related GHG emissions. Construction GHG emissions are a one-time release and are, therefore, not typically expected to generate a significant contribution to global climate change. As such, the analysis herein is limited to discussion of long-term operational GHG emissions.

¹¹ San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District. Guidance for Valley Land-use Agencies in Addressing GHG Emission Impacts for New Projects under CEQA. December 17, 2009. San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District. District Policy Addressing GHG Emission Impacts for Stationary Source Projects Under CEQA When Serving as the Lead Agency. December 17, 2009.

<u>IX.</u>	HAZARDS AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS.	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant with Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact	Analyzed In The Prior EIR
Wo	ould the project:					
a)	Create a significant hazard to the public or the environment through the routine transport, use, or disposal of hazardous materials?			×		
b)	Create a significant hazard to the public or the environment through reasonably foreseeable upset and accident conditions involving the release of hazardous materials into the environment?			×		
c)	Emit hazardous emissions or handle hazardous or acutely hazardous materials, substances, or waste within one-quarter mile of an existing or proposed school?			X		
d)	Be located on a site which is included on a list of hazardous materials sites compiled pursuant to Government Code Section 65962.5 and, as a result, would it create a significant hazard to the public or the environment?				×	
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?			X		
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, including where wildlands are adjacent to urbanized areas or where residences are intermixed with wildlands?			×		

- a-c) The project includes the development of classrooms for religious study and an activity room for fellowship. The proposed use does not include the use, transport, or disposal of hazardous materials nor could there be an accidental release of hazardous materials, therefore, the project will have a less than significant impact on the environment due to hazardous materials.
 - d) The project site is not included on the California Department of Toxic Substances Control EnviroStor database map, compiled pursuant to Government Code 65962.5 and, therefore, will have no impact on the safety of the public or the environment.
 - e) The project site is located in the Traffic Pattern Zone 7a Traffic Pattern Zone of the comprehensive Airport Land Use Plan boundaries for the Stockton Metropolitan Airport. The Airport Land Use Commission, in response to the project referral, stated that the project is compatible with the 2018 Stockton Metropolitan Airport Land Use Compatibility Plan, a document developed to provide guidance intended to minimize the public's exposure to excessive noise and safety hazards. The project's compatibility ensures that risks to the public will be less than significant.

- f) The project site is currently developed with a religious assembly. The project, a revisions of approved actions for a previously approved expansion of the religious assembly, will reduce the permitted square footage of approved expansion and will not increase the maximum seating capacity. The site has two driveways for ingress/egress and no new driveways are proposed. No alterations to existing roadways are included in the project. Therefore, the project's impact on emergency plans is expected to be less than significant.
- g) The project location is in the urban community of Stockton, CA, which is not identified as a Community at Risk from Wildfire by Cal Fire's "Fire Risk Assessment Program". Communities at Risk from Wildfire are those places within 1.5 miles of areas of High or Very High wildfire threat as determined from CDF-FRAP fuels and hazard data. Therefore, the impact of wildfires on the project are expected to be less than significant.

<u>X. F</u>	łYD	ROLOGY AND WATER QUALITY.	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant with Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact	Analyzed In The Prior EIR
Wo	uld t	he project:					
a)	disc	ate any water quality standards or waste charge requirements or otherwise substantially rade surface or ground water quality?			×		
b)	inte suc	ostantially decrease groundwater supplies or rfere substantially with groundwater recharge h that the project may impede sustainable undwater management of the basin?			×		
c)	the the	ostantially alter the existing drainage pattern of site or area, including through the alteration of course of a stream or river or through the lition of impervious surfaces, in a manner which uld:			×		
	i)	result in substantial erosion or siltation on- or off-site;			×		
	ii)	substantially increase the rate or amount of surface runoff in a manner which would result in flooding on- or off-site;			X		
	iii)	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; or			X		
	iv)	impede or redirect flood flows?			X		
d)		flood hazard, tsunami, or seiche zones, risk ease of pollutants due to project inundation?			×		
e)	qua	nflict with or obstruct implementation of a water ality control plan or sustainable groundwater nagement plan?			×		

- a. The project parcel is served by California Water Service for water and the City of Stockton for sewer. The project does not require onsite well or septic system, therefore the project's impact on ground and surface water quality is expected to be less than significant.
- b. The San Joaquin County Department of Public Works will require the applicant pay a Water Supply Facilities Impact Mitigation Fee. The Water Impact Mitigation Fee Program was established to finance San Joaquin County's share of the construction cost for the New Melones Water Conveyance Project, which is intended to mitigate the impact of ground and surface water depletion resulting from new development within the fee area. The fee area includes the unincorporated area of the County within the SEWD and Central San Joaquin Water Conservation District and the area within one-half mile north of the SEWD boundary along Eight Mile Road, between Rio Blanco Road and Alpine Road. The proposed project's impact on ground and surface water will be mitigated with the required Water Supply Facilities Impact Mitigation Fee which will reduce any impact the project has on ground and surface water to less than significant.
- c-e) The proposed project does not propose any substantial alteration to a drainage pattern, stream or river. All development

projects are required by the Development Title to provide drainage facilities within and downstream from the development project (Development Title Section 9-1135.2). The project will be conditioned by the Department of Public Works to provide drainage facilities in accordance with the San Joaquin County Development Standards.

The proposed project plan calls for storm water to be retained in an on-site retention pond. Public Works will require that retention basin capacity be calculated and submitted along with a drainage plan for review and approval, prior to release of a building permit. Additionally, the Public Works department requires that the applicant submit a "Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan" (SWPPP) to Public Works for review. A copy of the approved SWPPP and all required records, updates, test results and inspection reports must be maintained on the construction site and be available for review upon request. The applicant will also be required to file a Notice of Intent (NOI) with the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) and comply with the State "General Permit for Storm Water Discharges Associated with Construction Activity". The post construction chapter of the SWPPP must identify expected pollutants and how they will be prevented from entering the storm system. The chapter must also contain a maintenance plan, a spill plan, and a training plan for all employees on proper use, handling and disposal of potential pollutants.

With the project thus conditioned, impacts from drainage are expected to be less than significant.

		Potentially Significant Impact	Significant with Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact	Analyzed In The Prior EIR
XI.	LAND USE AND PLANNING.					
Wc	ould the project:					
a)	Physically divide an established community?				X	
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?				×	

- a) This project is a revisions of approved actions for a previously approved expansion of an existing religious assembly. The existing assembly is located in an unincorporated area of the urban community of Stockton. The site is adjacent to residential neighborhoods to the north, south and west. To the east is agricultural land. The proposed revised expansion is to provide classrooms and a fellowship hall for the congregation and is compatible with the surrounding residential development. No part of the expansion would present barriers to the site or in surrounding areas. Therefore, the project will not divide and established community.
- b) This project is a revisions of approved actions for a previously approved expansion of an existing religious assembly. The project parcel is zoned Low-Density Residential (R-L) and the project use type, Religious Assembly Regional, may be conditionally permitted in the R-L zone with an approved Use Permit application. The proposed project does not conflict with any existing or planned land uses, therefore, the project will not 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.	Potentially Significant Impact	Significant with Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact		Analyzed In The Prior EIR
Wc	ould 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?				X	

a-b) The proposed project, a revisions of approved actions for a previously approved expansion to an existing religious assembly will not result in the loss of availability of a known mineral resource of a resource recovery site because the site does not contain minerals of significance or known mineral resources. San Joaquin County applies a mineral resource zone (MRZ) designation to land that meets the significant mineral deposits definition by the State Division of Mines and Geology. The project site in Stockton has been classified as MRZ-1. The San Joaquin County General Plan 2035 Volume II, Chapter 10-Mineral Resources, Table 10-7, defines MRZ-1 as "Areas where adequate information indicates that no significant mineral deposits are present, or where it is judged that little likelihood exists for their presence." Therefore, the project will not result in the loss of mineral resources or mineral resource recovery sites within the region and in the Stockton community.

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XIII	. NOISE.			•	•	
Wo	ould 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?			×		
b)	Generation of excessive groundborne vibration or groundborne noise levels?				×	
c)	For a project 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?			×		

- a) The nearest residence is located approximately 170 feet north of the project site. Development Title Section 9-1025.9 lists the Residential use type as a noise sensitive land use. Development Title Section Table 9-1025.9 Part II states that the maximum sound level for stationary noise sources during the daytime is 70 dB and 65dB for nighttime. This applies to outdoor activity areas of the receiving use, or applies at the lot line if no activity area is known. The proposed project would be subject to these Development Title standards. There is no reason to believe the applicant will exceed the Development Title noise standards with the proposed operation because all activities associated with the new buildings will take place indoors, therefore impacts from the proposed project are expected to be less than significant.
- b) The project does not include any operations that would result in excessive ground-borne vibrations or other noise levels therefore, the project will not have any impact on vibrations or other noise levels.
- c) The project site is located in the Traffic Pattern Zone 7a Traffic Pattern Zone of the comprehensive Airport Land Use Plan boundaries for the Stockton Metropolitan Airport. The project site is located approximately 1.7 miles southwest of the nearest runway. The Airport Land Use Commission, in response to the project referral, stated that the project is compatible with the 2018 Stockton Metropolitan Airport Land Use Compatibility Plan, a document developed to provide guidance intended to minimize the public's exposure to excessive noise and safety hazards. As a result, impacts to people in the project area are expected to be less than significant.

XIV	. POPULATION AND HOUSING.	Potentially Significant Impact	Significant with Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact	Analyzed In The Prior EIR
Wo	uld 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)?				×	
b)	Displace substantial numbers of existing people or housing, necessitating the construction of replacement housing elsewhere?				X	

a-b) The proposed project will not induce substantial population growth in the area either directly or indirectly because the project does not propose new homes or businesses. The project is a revisions of approved actions for a previously approved expansion of an existing religious assembly. The project will expand the existing twelve (12) acre parcel with the addition of the adjacent one (1) acre parcel and convert the existing residence on the adjacent parcel to classrooms and a fellowship hall. The existing residence is owned by the religious assembly and the residence is vacant. Therefore, the proposed project would not displace substantial numbers of people or existing housing, necessitating the construction of replacement housing elsewhere because the project site is currently vacant. Therefore, the project will have no impact on population and housing.

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Less Than

Impact Discussion:

The proposed project is a revisions of approved actions for a previously approved expansion of an existing religious assembly. The project site is located in the Montezuma Fire District and the Stockton Unified School District. Both agencies were provided with the project proposal and invited to respond with any concerns or conditions. A response was not received from either agency. The project site is served by the San Joaquin County Sheriff's Office. The office was provided with the project proposal and invited to respond with any concerns or conditions. A response was not received from that office. As proposed, the project is not anticipated to result in a need for a substantial change to public services.

	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant with Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact	Analyzed In The Prior EIR
XVI. RECREATION.					
a) Would the project increase the use of existing neighborhood and regional parks or other recreational facilities such that substantial physical deterioration of the facility would occur or be accelerated?				×	
b) Does the project include recreational facilities or require the construction or expansion of recreational facilities which might have an adverse physical effect on the environment?				X	

a-b) This project will not 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, because the project will not generate any new residential units. This project does not include recreational facilities or require the construction or expansion of recreational facilities, which might have an adverse physical effect on the environment, because the type of project proposed, an expansion to an existing religious assembly, will not result in an increased demand for recreational facilities. Therefore, the project will have no impact on recreation facilities.

		Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant with Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact		Analyzed In The t Prior EIR
	II. TRANSPORTATION. uld the project:		шестретией			
a)	Conflict with a program plan, ordinance, or policy addressing the circulation system, including transit, roadways, bicycle, and pedestrian facilities?				X	
b)	Would the project conflict or be inconsistent with CEQA Guidelines section 15064.3, subdivision (b)?				X	
c)	Substantially increase hazards due to a geometric design feature (e.g., sharp curves or dangerous intersections) or incompatible uses (e.g., farm equipment)?				×	
d)	Result in inadequate emergency access?				X	
lm	pact Discussion:					
a)	a) The proposed project will not conflict with a program plan, ordinance, or policy addressing the circulation system, including transit, roadways, etc., because the religious assembly is existing and the current application, a revisions of approved actions for a previously approved expansion to an existing religious assembly, does not require any alterations to existing roadways and circulation systems.					
b)	N/A					
c)	The proposed project will not increase hazards due to a religious assembly is existing and the current application expansion to an existing religious assembly, does not recexpansion for religious education and fellowship is comparation.	, a revisions quire any alte	of approved act erations to existin	ions for a pr ig roadways	eviously or drive	y approved
d)	The proposed project is a revisions of approved action fo	r a previousl	y approved expa	nsion of an	approve	ed religious

assembly. The project site is located on the east side of South 'B' Street and has two points of ingress/egress: A driveway on South 'B' Street and a driveway on South 'D' Street. Pursuant to Development Title Section 9-1015.5(h)(1), access driveways shall have a width of no less than twenty-five (25) feet for two-way aisles and sixteen (16) feet for one-way aisles, except that in no case shall driveways designated as fire department access be less than twenty (20) feet wide. With these existing improvements, the project is not expected to result in inadequate emergency access.

XV	III. T	RIBAL CULTURAL RESOURCES.	Significant Impact	Mitigation Incorporated	Significant Impact	In The Prior EIR
a)	chares 210 land the	auld the project cause a substantial adverse range in the significance of a tribal cultural ource, defined in Public Resources Code section 0.74 as either a site, feature, place, cultural dscape that is geographically defined in terms of size and scope of the landscape, sacred place, object with cultural value to a California Native terican tribe, and that is:				
	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 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.			×	

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a) This project site is located in the urban community of Stockton, 920 feet from Duck Creek, a waterway in San Joaquin County that falls under the streams category. The project is a revisions of approved action for the expansion of a previously approved religious assembly. The expansion is onto an adjacent parcel that is currently developed with a residence and a garage. Additionally, the site is surrounded by development such as streets, sidewalks, and public water and sewer infrastructure.

Referrals were sent July 26, 2019 to the California Tribal TANF Partnership, the California Native American Heritage Commission, the California Valley Miwok Tribe, the North Valley Yokuts Tribe, and the United Auburn Indian Community. No responses or requests for consult were received as a result of the referral, therefore any possible disruption to a potential site is expected to be less than significant.

XIX	. UTILITIES AND SERVICE SYSTEMS.	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant with Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact	Analyzed In The Prior EIR
Wo	uld 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?				×	
b)	Have sufficient water supplies available to serve the project and reasonably foreseeable future development during normal, dry and multiple dry years?				X	
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?				X	
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?				X	
e)	Comply with federal, state, and local management and reduction statutes and regulations related to solid waste?				X	
lm	pact Discussion:					
ı-c)	The project is a revisions of approved actions for a The expansion will add 9,055 square feet to an exist project site is in a developed area in the urban con	ting religious an munity of Sto	assembly that curre ockton. The projec	ently has 41, t site is serv	787 squa ed by a	are feet. The public water

- a system and a public sewer system. Therefore, the project will be served by existing services and will not require new facilities.
 - d) The project site is served by the Lovelace Materials Recovery Facility and Transfer Station and the Foothill Sanitary Landfill which, according to the current permit, is projected to be in operation until 2082, providing adequate capacity for the proposed project.
 - e) The proposed project will be required to comply with state and local statutes and regulations related to solid waste so there will be no significant impact in this area.

XX	. WILDFIRE.	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant with Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact	Analyzed In The Prior EIR
If lo	ocated in or near state responsibility areas or lands ssified as very high fire hazard severity zones, would project:					
a)	Substantially impair an adopted emergency response plan or emergency evacuation plan?			X		
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?			X		
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?			X		
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?			X		

a-d) The project location is in the urban community of Stockton, CA, which is not identified as a Community at Risk from Wildfire by Cal Fire's "Fire Risk Assessment Program". Communities at Risk from Wildfire are those places within 1.5 miles of areas of High or Very High wildfire threat as determined from CDF-FRAP fuels and hazard data. Therefore, the impact of wildfires on the project are expected to be less than significant.

XXI. MANDATORY FINDINGS OF SIGNIFICANCE.	Potentially Significant Impact	Significant with Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact	Analyzed In The Prior EIR
a) Does the project 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?			X		
b) Does the project have impacts that are individually limited, but cumulatively considerable? ("Cumulatively considerable" means that the incremental effects of a project are considerable when viewed in connection with the effects of past projects, the effects of other current projects, and the effects of probable future projects)?			X		
c) Does the project have environmental effects which will cause substantial adverse effects on human beings, either directly or indirectly?			X		

a-c) Review of this project has not indicated any features which might significantly impact the environmental quality of the site and/or surrounding area. Mitigation measures have been identified in areas where a potentially significant impact has been identified and these measures have reduced these impacts to a less than significant level.

Note: Authority cited: Sections 21083, 21083.05, Public Resources Code. Reference: Section 65088.4, Gov. Code; Sections 21080, 21083.05, 21095, Pub. Resources Code;

ATTACHMENT: (MAP[S] OR PROJECT SITE PLAN[S])

