



Office of Planning and Environmental Review Notice of Preparation

NOVEMBER 16, 2018

To: ALL INTERESTED PARTIES

SUBJECT: NOTICE OF PREPARATION OF A DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT FOR CARLI

EXPANSION MINING USE PERMIT AMENDMENT, COMMUNITY PLAN AMENDMENT AND REZONE, RECLAMATION PLAN AMENDMENT, AND DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT

(PLNP2017-00243)

Comment Period

November 19, 2018 to December 18, 2018

Scoping Meeting – Open House Format

Day, December 6, 2018, 3:00 pm To 6:00 pm

Micron Corporate Center)

9616 Micron Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95827

Sacramento County will be the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Lead Agency for preparation of an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for a project known as Carli Expansion Mining Use Permit, Community Plan Amendment and Rezone, Reclamation Plan and Development Agreement. This Notice of Preparation has been sent to responsible and trustee agencies and involved federal agencies pursuant to Section 15082 of the CEQA Guidelines. Agencies should comment on the scope and content of the environmental information that is germane to the agencies' statutory responsibilities in connection with the proposed project. Interested parties may also comment and provide input on the scope of the EIR. Due to the time limits mandated by State law, your response must be sent at the earliest possible date, but not later than 30 days after receipt of this notice.

The Scoping Meeting will be an open house format and interested parties may drop in to review the proposed project exhibits and submit written comments at any time between 3:00 PM and 6:00 PM. Representatives from Sacramento County's Office of Planning and Environmental Review and the project applicant will be available to address questions regarding the EIR process and proposed project.

The project description, location, and the probable environmental effects are contained in the attached materials and may also be viewed online at:

https://planningdocuments.saccounty.net/ViewProjectDetails.aspx?ControlNum=plnp2017-00243

Please send your Agency's response to this Notice to:

Tim Hawkins, Environmental Coordinator
Department of Community Development
Planning and Environmental Review Division
827 7th Street, Room 225, Sacramento, CA 95814
or via e-mail at: CEQA@saccounty.net.

Your response should include the name of a contact person.

Agencies or individuals with specific questions about the project should contact Mark Michelini, Project Manager, at (916) 874-5648 for further information.

Project Title:

CARLI EXPANSION MINING USE PERMIT AMENDMENT, COMMUNITY PLAN AMENDMENT AND REZONE, RECLAMATION PLAN AMENDMENT AND DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT

Control Number:

PLNP2017-00243

Project Proponent(s):

OWNER/APPLICANT:

Vulcan Material Company Attention: Kevin Torell

APN's:

Carli Expansion Site: 067-0120-073
Processing Facility Site: 067-0120-069.

Location:

The Carli Expansion Mining Use Permit Amendment, Community Plan Amendment and Rezone, Reclamation Plan and Development Agreement project site is located within unincorporated Sacramento County within the Vineyard Community Plan Area. The project is located at 11509 Florin Road, on the south side of Jackson Road (HWY 16) between Eagles Nest Road and Sunrise Boulevard, at Latitude N 38° 30' 7.2" degrees and Longitude W 121° 15' 18". See Plate NOP 1. The 153 acre project site currently consists of a commercial composting operation, a cell tower and non-native grassland. There are no residences located on the project site. The project site is in the Vineyard community of unincorporated Sacramento County.

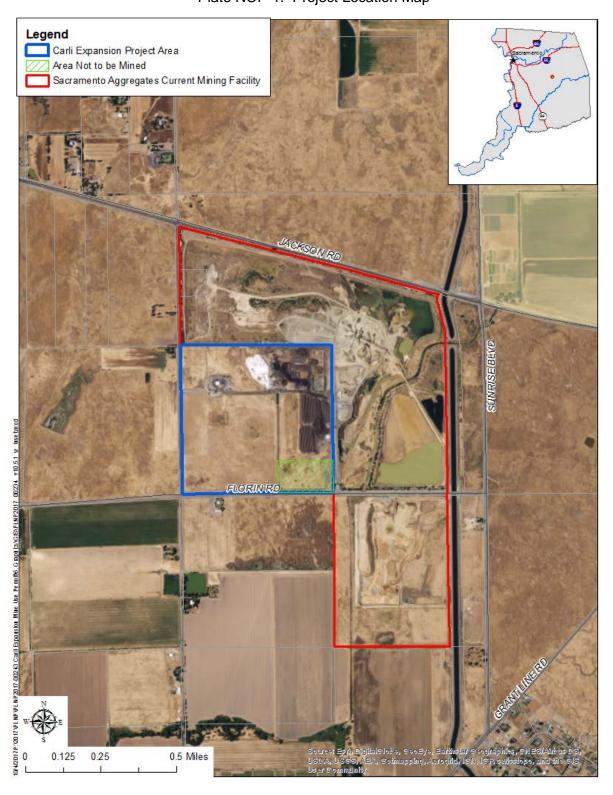


Plate NOP-1. Project Location Map

Project Description

Requested Entitlements

- An Amendment to a Use Permit to allow surface mining on one parcel totaling approximately 153 acres. The mining activities will disturb approximately 140 acres of the 153 acre parcel. It would also allow an asphalt/concrete recycling plant and a ready mix concrete (RMC) plant to operate at the existing permitted processing plant located adjacent to the Project site.
- 2. A Community Plan Amendment and Rezone to change the community plan land designation and corresponding zoning for 153 acres from Permanent Agriculture-Extensive (AG-160) to Permanent Agriculture-Extensive with Surface Mining Combining Zone (SM).
- 3. A Reclamation Plan Amendment to incorporate the Carli Expansion which includes open space and dry grazing as the end use of the mine.
- 4. A Development Agreement between the applicant and the County of Sacramento.

The project proposal includes amending the existing 1994-0715 (SMA) 52960 use permit to expand the mining operation to include 140 acres of the Carli parcel thereby allowing mining and transport of aggregate materials (sand and gravel) from the Carli site to the adjacent permitted processing plant.

The applicant is also proposing to place an asphalt/concrete recycling plant to crush broken concrete and asphalt on the existing processing plant site as shown on Plate NOP 2. This would allow the applicant to import 100,000 tons per year of broken concrete and asphalt from nearby demolition projects. In addition, the applicant is requesting the ability to import 50,000 tons of outside aggregate products per year to mix with existing products to provide to customers. In addition to the asphalt/concrete recycling plant, the applicant is proposing to place a RMC plant on the existing processing plant site.

Approximately 140 acres of the 153-acre site is proposed to be mined and the mining will occur in one mining pit. The depth of the mine is proposed to be 70 to 75 feet below ground surface. The Carli expansion would be mined in two phases; T-1 and T-2 (see Plate NOP-2).

The mining operator has an approved reclamation plan for the existing property being mined and proposes to utilize a new surface area (Carli Expansion Area) which is not included within the existing reclamation plan; therefore, the project includes an amended Reclamation Plan for the Carli expansion. The end use of the Carli Expansion parcel is proposed to be open space and dry land grazing.

The Development Agreement (DA) is a formal agreement between a developer and a local jurisdiction, and is intended as a planning tool utilized for large complex projects. The DA's for all the new mines located in the area of Construction Material Market Equalizer (the southeast portion of unincorporated Sacramento County) have a Cents per Ton Funding Section. The Cents per Ton Funding Section states that the mining operators pay a Cents per Ton fee pursuant to the DA. These funds must be paid for each ton of aggregate material sold by the mining operator. The DA's are designed to have each of the mines' cents per ton fees to be at the same rate.

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Plate NOP-2 Mining Plan

The Cents per Ton fees will be paid by the operator to a non-profit organization. The non-profit organization for this applicant has not been chosen at this time. The operator is currently reviewing non-profit organizations to receive the Cents per Ton fees. Furthermore, the DA will include an allocation process for the Cents per Ton fees. The allocation process includes the timing of payments and specifies a special fund depository within the Regional Parks Department account. The DA also has an expense authorization that limits expenses to funds collect in the prior calendar year. This will ensure that allocations are made only for the actual deposits and not project deposits for the fiscal cycle.

PROBABLE ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECTS/EIR FOCUS:

The analysis within the EIR will focus primarily upon issues associated with land use, traffic, air quality, hydrology and water quality, aesthetics, biological resources, noise, cultural resources, and hazards and hazardous materials.

INTENDED USES OF THE EIR:

The Board of Supervisors will use the information contained in the EIR to evaluate the proposed project and render a decision to approve or deny the requested entitlements. Agencies, such as the California Department of Fish and Wildlife and the California Regional Water Quality Control Board the California State Mining and Geology Board the United States Fish and Wildlife Service and the United States Army Corps of Engineers may also use the EIR for planning/permitting purposes.