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PREPARATION OF A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR PA-1900108 (MS) MINOR SUBDIVISION – DATED SEPTEMBER 26, 2019 (STATE CLEARINGHOUSE NUMBER: 2019109002)

Dear Ms. Goulart:

The Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) received a Mitigated Negative Declaration for the PA-1900108 (MS) Minor Subdivision.

The proposed project includes a Minor Subdivision application to subdivide two (2) parcels totaling 151.4 acres into four (4) parcels:

- Parcel 1 to contain 2 acres as a homesite parcel;
- Parcel 2 to contain 50.8 acres;
- Parcel 3 to contain 48.6 acres;
- Parcel 4 to contain 50.0 acres.

The project site is located northwest of Lodi, on the east side of North Davis Road, 0.6 miles north of W. Woodbridge Road.

DTSC recommends the following issues be evaluated prior to development of the site:

 The Mitigated Negative Declaration should acknowledge the potential for project sites to have resulted in the release of hazardous wastes/substances. In instances in which releases have occurred, further studies should be carried out to delineate the nature and extent of the contamination, and the potential threat to public health and/or the environment should be evaluated. The Mitigated Negative Declaration should also identify the mechanism to initiate any required

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> investigation and/or remediation and the government agency who will be responsible for providing appropriate regulatory oversight.

- If the project requires importation of soil to backfill any excavated areas, proper sampling should be conducted to ensure imported soil is free of contamination. DTSC recommends the imported materials be characterized according to DTSC's 2001 *Information Advisory Clean Imported Fill Material* (<u>https://dtsc.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/sites/31/2018/09/SMP_FS_Cleanfill-Schools.pdf</u>).
- Since the site and surrounding areas have been used for agricultural activities, proper investigation for organochlorinated pesticides should be discussed in the Mitigated Negative Declaration. DTSC recommends that it be evaluated according to DTSC's 2008 Interim Guidance for Sampling Agricultural Properties (Third Revision) (<u>https://dtsc.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/sites/31/2018/09/Ag-Guidance-Rev-3-August-7-2008-2.pdf</u>). In addition, sampling should be conducted in accordance with DTSC's 2006 Interim Guidance Evaluation of School Sites with Potential Contamination from Lead Based Paint, Termiticides, and Electrical Transformers (<u>https://dtsc.ca.gov/wpcontent/uploads/sites/31/2018/09/Guidance_Lead</u> Contamination_050118.pdf).

DTSC appreciates the opportunity to review the Mitigated Negative Declaration. Should you need any assistance with an environmental investigation, please submit a request for Lead Agency Oversight Application, which can be found at: <u>https://dtsc.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/sites/31/2018/09/VCP_App-1460.doc</u>. Additional information regarding voluntary agreements with DTSC can be found at: <u>https://dtsc.ca.gov/brownfields/</u>.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (916) 255-3710 or via email at <u>Gavin.McCreary@dtsc.ca.gov</u>.

Sincerely,

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