## **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: Mike Smith Engineering, Inc.

PROJECT TITLE/FILE NUMBER(S): PA-1900214

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: A Site Approval application for a business that stores and distributes insulating blankets. The project includes the use of an existing 5,600 square foot building for administrative purposes, and the construction of a 20,000 square foot building for storage of blankets. The project site is served by an on-site septic system, service for water will be provided by San Joaquin County Water Works No. 2, and storm drainage will be provided by San Joaquin County Service Area No. 14. The hours of operation will be from 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., seven (7) days per week. The parcel will be accessed from E. State Route 12. (Use Type: Wholesale Distribution-Light)

The project site is located on the south side of E. State Route 12, 180 feet east of N. Knoll Road, Lodi.

ASSESSORS PARCEL NO(S).: 051-120-48

ACRES: 2 acres

GENERAL PLAN: C/RS

**ZONING: C-RS** 

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

Two (2) buildings totaling 25,600 square feet for wholesale and distributing use.

#### **SURROUNDING LAND USES:**

NORTH: Industrial, Commercial, Residential,

SOUTH: Residential

EAST: Residential, Agricultural
WEST: Commercial, Residential

## 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.

Many of these original source materials have been collected from other public agencies or from previously prepared EIR's and other technical studies. Additional standard sources which should be specifically cited below include on-site visits by staff (note date); staff knowledge or experience; and independent environmental studies submitted to the County as part of the project application (Enter report name, date, and consultant.). Copies of these reports can be found by contacting the Community Development Department.

#### 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.?

<u>No</u>

## **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):	Enter concern(s).				
2.	Will th	e project	require	e approval or permits by agencies other than the County?				
		Yes	X	No				
	Agend	y name(	s): Ent	er agency name(s).				
3.	Is the	project w	ithin th	e Sphere of Influence, or within two miles, of any city?				
	X	Yes	511111	No				
	City: ]	<u>Lodi</u>						

## **ENVIRONMENTAL FACTORS POTENTIALLY AFFECTED:**

	The environmental factors checked below would be potentially affected by this project, involving at least one impact that is a "Potentially Significant Impact" as indicated by the checklist on the following pages.					
	Aesthetics		Agriculture and Forestry 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	12.72.12	Mandatory Findings of Significance	
DET	ERMINATION: (To be complet	ed b	y the Lead Agency) On the basis of th	nis in	itial evaluation:	
	I find that the proposed pr <u>DECLARATION</u> will be pre			ect o	on the environment, and a <b>NEGATIVE</b>	
×	significant effect in this cas	se b		beer	on the environment, there will not be a made by or agreed to by the project	
	I find that the proposed pro		MAY have a significant effect on th	e en	vironment, and an ENVIRONMENTAL	
	mitigated" impact on the e document pursuant to appli	nviro cabl ribeo	onment, but at least one effect 1) had be legal standards, and 2) has been a lon attached sheets. An <b>ENVIRONM</b>	as bo	pact" or "potentially significant unless een adequately analyzed in an earlier ssed by mitigation measures based on AL IMPACT REPORT is required, but it	
- 10 miles	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 <b>EIR</b> or <b>NEGATIVE DECLARATION</b> pursuant to applicable standards, and (b) have been avoided or mitigated pursuant to that earlier <b>EIR</b> or <b>NEGATIVE DECLARATION</b> , including revisions or mitigation measures that are imposed upon the proposed project, nothing further is required.					
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Signa	ature				Date	

#### **EVALUATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS:**

- 1) A brief explanation is required for all answers except "No Impact" answers that are adequately supported by the information sources a lead agency cites in the parentheses following each question. A "No Impact" answer is adequately supported if the referenced information sources show that the impact simply does not apply to projects like the one involved (e.g., the project falls outside a fault rupture zone). A "No Impact" answer should be explained where it is based on project-specific factors as well as general standards (e.g., the project will not expose sensitive receptors to pollutants, based on a project-specific screening analysis).
- 2) All answers must take account of the whole action involved, 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 cross-referenced).
- 5) Earlier analyses may be used where, pursuant to the tiering, program EIR, or other CEQA process, an effect has been adequately analyzed in an earlier EIR or negative declaration. Section 15063(c)(3)(D). In this case, a brief discussion should identify the following:
  - a) Earlier Analysis Used. Identify and state where they are available for review.
  - b) Impacts Adequately Addressed. Identify which effects from the above checklist were within the scope of and adequately analyzed in an earlier document pursuant to applicable legal standards, and state whether such effects were addressed by mitigation measures based on the earlier analysis.
  - c) Mitigation Measures. For effects that are "Less than Significant with Mitigation Measures Incorporated," describe the mitigation measures which were incorporated or refined from the earlier document and the extent to which they address site-specific conditions for the project.
- 6) Lead agencies are encouraged to incorporate into the checklist references to information sources for potential impacts (e.g., general plans, zoning ordinances). Reference to a previously prepared or outside document should, where appropriate, include a reference to the page or pages where the statement is substantiated.
- 7) Supporting Information Sources: A source list should be attached, and other sources used or individuals contacted should be cited in the discussion.
- 8) 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.

<u>I. <i>F</i></u>	AESTHETICS.	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant with Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant 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?				×	
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?				×	
d)	Create a new source of substantial light or glare which would adversely affect day or nighttime views in the area?			X		

- a-c) The proposed project is located on E. State Route 12, in the rural community of Victor, east of the city of Lodi. Pursuant to San Joaquin County General Plan 2035 Natural and Cultural Resources Element Figure NCR-1 (page 3.4-13), this section of State Route 12 is not designated as a Scenic Route. Therefore, the project will not impact, or substantially damage, a scenic vista or resources, nor will it affect other regulations governing scenic quality.
  - d) The proposed project is a warehouse and distribution site for insulated blankets. The site will be required to have outdoor lighting in parking areas that will be used at night, but the lighting will be conditioned to be designed to confine direct rays to the premises, allowing no spillover beyond the property lines. Therefore, the project is expected to have a less than significant impact from new sources of light or glare on day or nighttime views in the area.

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#### 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?
- 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?

	X	
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# Impact Discussion:

a-e) The subject property 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 subject property is designated as Urban and Built-Up Land (D) by the Department of Conservation's Rural Land Mapping Project, which is further described as land occupied by structures with a building density of at least 1 unit to 1.5 acres. The subject property is zoned Rural Service Commercial (C-RS) and is located within an existing commercial, industrial, and residential area. The area does not have forest land or agricultural land. Therefore, the proposed project will not convert important farmland to non-agricultural use or forest land to non-forest use, conflict with agricultural or forestland zoning or a Williamson Act Contract, or result in loss of forest land.

		Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant with Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact	Analyzed In The Prior EIR
<u>III.</u>	AIR QUALITY.	•		•	-	
the cor	nere available, the significance criteria established by applicable air quality management or air pollution applicable air quality management or air pollution applicable to the following terminations. Would the project:					
a)	Conflict with or obstruct implementation of the applicable air quality plan?		32 (17) 31 (17) 32 (17)	×		
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?	2.2.4.3.0.1.5 2.2.4.3.0.1.5 2.3.4.3.0.1.5 2.		X		

a-d) The proposed project is a warehouse and distribution site for insulated blankets. The San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District (APCD) has been established by the State in an effort to control and minimize air pollution. The project was referred to the APCD for review on September 24, 2019. A response from APCD dated October 8, 2019, stated that the District concluded that the project would have a less than significant impact on air quality when compared to significance thresholds. Additionally, the project is not subject to District Rule 9510 (Indirect Source Review) as it does not exceed 25,000 square feet of light industrial space. Therefore, the project is expected to have a less than significant impact on any applicable air quality plan, pollutants, or emissions.

V.	BIOLOGICAL RESOURCES.	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant with Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact	Analyzed In The Prior EIR
٧c	ould the project:					
а)	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?			×		
၁)	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?			×		
·)	Conflict with the provisions of an adopted Habitat Conservation Plan, Natural Community Conservation Plan, or other approved local, regional, or state habitat conservation plan?		\$ 5500.00 \$100.000 \$1	×		

a) The California Department of Fish and Wildlife Natural Diversity Database lists *lepidurus packardi* (vernal pool tadpole shrimp) 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 semi-trailer leasing and selling facility, will not have an impact on riparian habitat or wetlands.
- d-f) This application, a warehouse and distribution site for insulated blankets, will be conditioned to participate in the SJMSCP. The applicant has confirmed his intention to participate in the SJMSCP, therefore, the proposed project will be 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.

		Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant with Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact	Analyzed In The Prior EIR
<u>V. (</u>	CULTURAL RESOURCES.					
Wo	ould 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?			×		

- a-b) The proposed 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.
  - 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). In this way, any disturbance to human remains will be reduced to less than significant.

VI.	ENERGY.	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant with Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact	Analyzed In The Prior EIR
Wc	ould 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?			×		111111

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.

			Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant with Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact	Analyzed In The Prior EIR
VII.	GE	OLOGY AND SOILS.	•		•		
Wo	uld 1	the 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?		100	X		The second secon
	iii)	Seismic-related ground failure, including liquefaction?			X		
	iv)	Landslides?				X	
b)		sult in substantial soil erosion or the loss of soil?			×		
c)	or to proper the prope	located on a geologic unit or soil that is unstable, that would become unstable as a result of the ject, and potentially result in on- or off-site dslide, lateral spreading, subsidence, liquefaction collapse?			×		
d)		located on expansive soil and create direct or rect risks to life or property?			X		
e)	use disp	ve soils incapable of adequately supporting the of septic tanks or alternative waste water bosal systems where sewers are not available for disposal of waste water?			×		
f)	pale	ectly or indirectly destroy a unique eontological resource or site or unique geologic ture?				×	

- a) 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 in conjunction with a building permit. Therefore, 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 project will be served by an onsite septic tank or alternative wastewater disposal system for the disposal of waste water. The sewage disposal system shall comply with the onsite wastewater treatment systems standards of San Joaquin County. A percolation test, performed under permit and inspection by the Environmental Health Department, is required. After a successful percolation test, the onsite wastewater treatment system will be evaluated prior to issuance of a building permit. With these standards in place, only soils capable of adequately supporting the use of septic tanks will be approved for the septic system.
- f) The project area has not been determined to contain significant historic or prehistoric archeological artifacts that could be disturbed by project construction, therefore, damage to unique paleontological resources or sites or geologic features is anticipated 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
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?			X		

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 (CO<sub>2</sub>) and, to a lesser extent, other GHG pollutants, such as methane (CH<sub>4</sub>) and nitrous oxide (N<sub>2</sub>O) 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 CO<sub>2</sub> equivalents (MTCO<sub>2</sub>e/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.

<sup>11</sup> 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?			×	100 TO 10	
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) į	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?	6		×		

- a-c) The proposed project is a is a warehouse and distribution site for insulated blankets. The project is not expected to use or store hazardous materials on site, therefore the risk of hazard due to the transportation or use of hazardous materials is expected to be less than significant.
  - d) The project site is not listed as a hazardous materials site on the California Department of Toxic Substances Control EnviroStor database map, compiled pursuant to Government Code 65962.5 and, therefore, will not result in creating a significant hazard to the public or the environment.
  - e) The project site is not located within an airport land use plan nor within two miles of a public airport, therefore, impacts resulting from airport uses to people in the project area are expected to be less than significant.
  - f) The project site is located in the rural community of Victor and is currently developed. The project, a warehouse and distribution site for insulated blankets, will have approximately five (5) employees and an average of one (1) customer and truck delivery per day. Therefore, the project is not expected to generate enough traffic to create traffic congestion

that would interfere with the execution of an emergency plan.

e) Pursuant to the California Building code requirement, the project structure will have fire sprinklers installed inside the structure for safety. Implementation of this safety standard will result in any impact to people or structures from wildland fires being less than significant.

<u>X.</u>	HYE	DROLOGY AND WATER QUALITY.	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)	dis	plate any water quality standards or waste charge requirements or otherwise substantially grade surface or ground water quality?			×		
b)	inte suc	bstantially decrease groundwater supplies or erfere substantially with groundwater recharge ch that the project may impede sustainable bundwater management of the basin?			×		
c)	the the add	bstantially alter the existing drainage pattern of site or area, including through the alteration of course of a stream or river or through the dition of impervious surfaces, in a manner which uld:			×	Felician The Control	
	i)	result in substantial erosion or siltation on- or off- site;	1 1 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2		×		
	ii)	substantially increase the rate or amount of surface runoff in a manner which would result in flooding on- or off-site;			×		
	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			×		
	iv)	impede or redirect flood flows?			×		
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 inagement plan?			×		

- a-b) The Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board (CVRWQCB) has been established to protect the waters of the State by ensuring compliance with clean water laws and taking enforcement actions when violations occur. This project was referred to CVRWQCB for review on September 24, 2019. A response was received from CVRWQCB dated October 10, 2019 containing regulations for wastewater discharge and information on permits that may be required by the project. The project will be subject to the Board's rules and regulations to mitigate for any impacts to surface and ground water. Therefore, any impacts to surface or groundwater quality will be reduced to less than significant.
  - c) The project site is in County Service Area No. 14 and will receive storm drainage through a public system, therefore, the project's impact on drainage is anticipated to be less than significant.
- d-e) The project site is not in a tsunami or seiche zone and the site is located in an area determined to be outside the 0.2% annual chance (500-year) floodplain. Therefore, the risk of release of pollutants due to inundation is less than significant.

<u>XI.</u>	LAND USE AND PLANNING.	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant with Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact	Analyzed In The Prior EIR
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 proposed project is a warehouse and distribution center for insulated blankets located on a site that is currently developed. Therefore, the project's impact on an established community is expected to be less than significant.
- b) This proposed project is a warehouse and distribution center for insulated blankets. The project parcel is zoned Commercial Rural Services (C-RS) and the project use type, Wholesale and Distribution Light, may be conditionally permitted in the C-RS zone with an approved Site Approval application. The proposed project is consistent with all land use policies and regulations of the County Development Code and 2035 General Plan, therefore, the project's impact on the environment due to land use conflict is expected to be less than significant.

XII.	MINERAL RESOURCES.	Potentially Significant Impact	Less I han Significant with Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact	Analyzed In The Prior EIR
Wo	uld 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?				×	

a-b) The proposed project, a warehouse and distribution center for insulated blankets, 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 Victor 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 Victor community.

		Potentially Significant Impact	Significant with Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact	Analyzed In The Prior EIR
XII	I. NOISE.					
Wc	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?		×			50
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?				×	Total Control

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#### **Impact Discussion:**

a) The project site is located on E. State Route 12 and is adjacent to commercially, industrially, and residentially zoned properties. The nearest residence is located adjacent to the western property line of the project site. Development Title Section 9-1025.9 lists the Residential use type as a noise sensitive land use. To provide a buffer to noise sensitive residential properties, Development Title Section 9-1022.4 requires commercial projects that abut a residential zone to be screened using a solid masonry wall six to seven feet in height erected along the abutting property line. Additionally, Development Title Section 9-410.5(b)(1)(2) requires that side and rear yards of lots within the commercial zones must be increased to a minimum of twenty (20) feet when abutting property that is developed with conforming residential uses or zoned for residential. Therefore, the side and rear building setbacks for the subject parcel will be twenty (20) feet where adjacent to residentially zoned properties.

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. Therefore, with the separation created with the required masonry wall, the 20 foot side yard setback from the residential properties, as well as the maximum sound level to which the project will be required to comply, any possible increase in ambient noise levels in the vicinity of the 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 approximately five and one-half (5.5) miles from the nearest airport. Any impacts resulting from proximity to an airport are expected to be less than significant.

<u>XIV</u>	7. POPULATION AND HOUSING.	Potentially Significant Impact	Less I nan Significant with Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact	Analyzed In The Prior EIR
Wo	ould 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?			×		

a-b) The proposed project will not induce substantial population growth in the area either directly or indirectly because the project site is in a commercial zone. 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 and the zoning will remain the same if the project is approved. Therefore, the project's impact on population and housing is expected to be less than significant.

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## XV. PUBLIC SERVICES.

a) Would the project result in substantial adverse physical impacts associated with the provision of new or physically altered governmental facilities, 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:

Fire protection?		×	
Police protection?		X	
Schools?		×	
Parks?		X	
Other public facilities?		×	

## **Impact Discussion:**

a) The proposed project is a warehouse and distribution center for insulated blankets with an existing 5,600 square foot building and a proposed 20,000 square foot building. The project site is located in the Mokelumne Fire District and is in the Lodi Unified School District. Both agencies were provided with the project proposal and invited to respond with any concerns or conditions. No response was received from the school district. The fire district responded with California Fire Code requirements that will be applicable to the project but did not voice concerns regarding the project's possible impacts on response times or other performance objectives. 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.

XVI. RECREATION.	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant with Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact	Analyzed In The Prior EIR
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?	6112-12-23 6112-12-23 712-23-23 811-23-23 811-23-23 811-23-23 811-23-23 811-23-23 811-23-23 811-23-23 811-23-23 811-23-23 811-23-23 811-23-23 811-23-23 811-23-23 811-23-23 811-23-23 811-23-23-23 811-23-23-23 811-23-23-23 811-23-23-23 811-23-23-23 811-23-23-23 811-23-23-23 811-23-23-23-23 811-23-23-23 811-23-23-23 811-23-23-23 811-23-23-23 811-23-23-23 811-23-23-23 811-23-23-23 811-23-23-23 811-23-23-23 811-23-23-23 811-23-23-23 811-			×	

a-b) The proposed 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 and the impacts to parks generated by the employees of this project will be minimal. 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, a warehouse and distribution facility, will not result in an increased demand for recreational facilities. Therefore, the project will have no impact on recreation facilities.

XV	II. TRANSPORTATION.	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant with Mitigation Incorporated	O.g.iiiioaiic		Analyzed In The Prior EIR
Wo	ould the project:					
a)	Conflict with a program plan, ordinance, or policy addressing the circulation system, including transit, roadways, bicycle, and pedestrian facilities?			×		
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)?			X		
d)	Result in inadequate emergency access?			X		
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- The proposed project is a warehouse and distribution facility utilizing an existing 5,600 square foot building and proposing construction of a 20,000 square foot warehouse. The proposed facility is located on the south side of E. State Route 12 in the rural community of Victor, and will operate ten hours per day, seven days a week, with five (5) employees per shift. Access to the project site is via an existing driveway off E. State Route 12, the frontage street for the project site. A project referral was sent to the Department of Public Works and to Caltrans on September 24, 2019. The Department of Public Works requires a traffic study for projects that are expected to generate in excess of fifty vehicles during any hour or, and In the Department's response letter dated October 22, 2019, a traffic study was not required for this project. Likewise, Caltrans, in its response letter dated October 17, 2019, did not require a traffic study. Therefore, the project is expected to have a less than significant impact on traffic volumes on the local streets, will not conflict with program plans, ordinances, or policies, and did not present with any hazardous design features. lieu Lawrage to.
  - The proposed project has adequate access from E. State Route 1/2 that will provide for adequate access for emergency equipment. The Department of Public Works, in its conditions, requires that the driveway approach be improved in accordance to Caltrans' requirements. 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 required improvements, the project's impact on emergency access is expected to be less than significant.

<u>xv</u>	<u> </u>	TRIBAL CULTURAL RESOURCES.	Significant Impact	Significant with Mitigation Incorporated	Significant Impact	In The Prior EIR
a)	cha res 210 lan the or	build the project cause a substantial adverse ange in the significance of a tribal cultural source, defined in Public Resources Code section 074 as either a site, feature, place, cultural adscape that is geographically defined in terms of a size and scope of the landscape, sacred place, object with cultural value to a California Native nerican 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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## **Impact Discussion:**

a) This project site is located in the rural community of Victor, in a developed area. The project is a warehouse and distribution facility for insulated blankets that includes an existing 5,600 square foot building and a proposed 20,000 square foot building. Referrals were sent September 24, 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. The United Auburn Indian Community responded in a letter dated October 14, 2019, that their records indicated there are no known tribal cultural resources in the proposed project area and a consult wasn't necessary. No other 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.

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<u>XIX</u>	K. 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	ould 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?			×		
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?			×		

- a) The proposed project is a warehouse and distribution facility for insulated blankets, located in a developed area in the rural community of Victor, and includes an existing 5,600 square foot building and a proposed 20,000 square foot building. The project site is located in San Joaquin County Water Works No. 2 and will receive water from this public system. The parcel will receive public storm drainage service from County Service Area No. 14. The applicant has provided will serve letters from both utility providers confirming that water and storm drainage will be provided to the project. The project will utilize an onsite sewage disposal system. Therefore, the project will be served by existing and onsite services and will not require new facilities.
- b) The project will be served by a public water system. The applicant has provided a will serve letter from the San Joaquin County Public Works Department confirming that Service Area No. 14 will be able to provide water service to the project.
- c) The project will utilize an onsite sewage disposal system constructed under permit from the Environmental Health Department and subject to the onsite wastewater treatment system regulations that will comply with the standards of San Joaquin County.
- d-e) The project is a proposed warehouse and distribution facility for insulated blankets with a total of 25,600 square feet in structures. As proposed, the project is not anticipated to generate solid waste in excess of State and local standards and will be able to comply with all regulations related to solid waste.

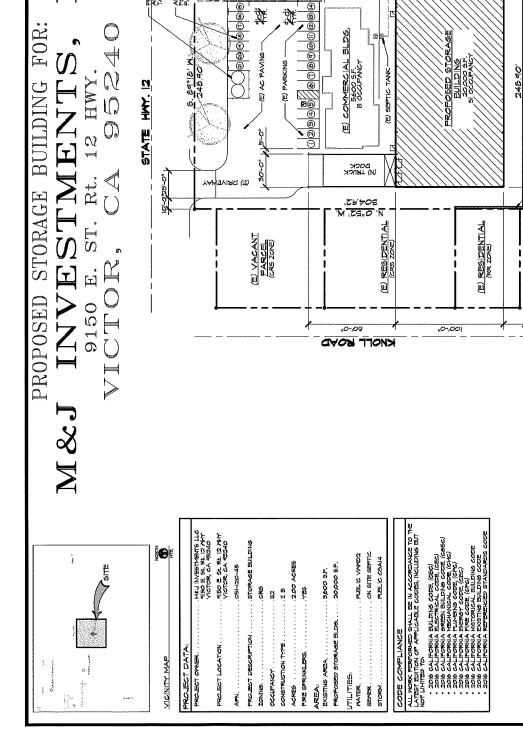
XX	. WILDFIRE.	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant with Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	Analyzed In The Prior EIR
	ocated in or near state responsibility areas or lands				
cla	ssified as very high fire hazard severity zones, would e project:				
a)	Substantially impair an adopted emergency response plan or emergency evacuation plan?		7337617 7377717 7377717 73787177	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?		24.200 p. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1.	×	
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?			×	
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?	1200 1200 1200 1200 1200 1200 1200 1200		×	

a-d) The project location is in the rural community of Victor, 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	Less I nan Significant with Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant 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?			×	
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)?			×	
c) Does the project have environmental effects which will cause substantial adverse effects on human beings, either directly or indirectly?			×	

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.

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



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