#### 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: Jatinder Singh

PROJECT TITLE/FILE NUMBER(S): PA-1900263 (SA)

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: A Site Approval application for truck and trailer parking facility, on a 2.3 acre parcel over two (2) Phases. Phase 1 will be unmanned and includes utilizing the existing paved area for the parking of ten (10) trucks and nine (9) trailers. Phase 2 includes additional surfacing for up to ten (10) additional trucks and up to nine (9) additional trailers. In addition, Phase 2 proposes to convert an existing 1,445 square foot house to an office. The parcel will be served by an existing septic system and existing on-site retention pond, and proposes to connect to public water. (Use Type: Truck Sales & Services – Parking)

The project site is located on the south side of E. Loomis Road, ,1066 feet west of 99 West Frontage Road, Stockton.

ASSESSORS PARCEL NO(S).: 179-100-06

ACRES: 2.3

GENERAL PLAN: I/L

ZONING: I-L

POTENTIAL POPULATION, NUMBER OF DWELLING UNITS, OR SQUARE FOOTAGE OF USE(S): An 80 square foot restroom.

SURROUNDING LAND USES:

**NORTH: Industrial** 

SOUTH: Industrial, Duck Creek.

EAST: Industrial Industrial

#### 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 2/27/20; 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.?

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 of concern(s): Enter concern(s).
2.	Will the project require approval or permits by agencies other than the County?
	Yes X No
	Agency name(s): Enter agency name(s).
3.	Is the project within the Sphere of Influence, or within two miles, of any city?
	X Yes No
	City: Stockton

# **ENVIRONMENTAL FACTORS POTENTIALLY AFFECTED:**

	a "Potentially Significant Impact" as indicated by the checklist on the following pages.						
A	esthetics		Agriculture ar	nd Forestry Resoul	rces	Air Quality	
В	ological Resources		Cultural Reso	urces		Energy	
G	eology / Soils		Greenhouse (	Gas Emissions		Hazards & Hazardous Materials	
Н	ydrology / Water Quality		Land Use / Pl	anning		Mineral Resources	
N	oise	-	Population / F	lousing		Public Services	
R	ecreation		Transportatio	n		Tribal Cultural Resources	
U	tilities / Service Systems		Wildfire			Mandatory Findings of Significance	
DETER	RMINATION: (To be complet	ed b	y the Lead Age	ency) On the basis	of this in	itial evaluation:	
	I find that the proposed propo			have a significar	nt effect o	on the environment, and a <u>NEGATIVE</u>	
X	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 <u>MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION</u> will be prepared.						
	I find that the proposed pro		MAY have a	significant effect c	on the en	vironment, and an <b>ENVIRONMENTAL</b>	
	mitigated" impact on the e document pursuant to appli	nviro cabl ribeo	onment, but at e legal standa d on attached s	least one effect rds, and 2) has be heets. An <b>ENVIRC</b>	1) has b en addre	npact" or "potentially significant unless een adequately analyzed in an earlier essed by mitigation measures based on AL IMPACT REPORT is required, but it	
	significant effects (a) have to applicable standards, and	een (b)	analyzed adec	quately in an earlie voided or mitigate	r <u>EIR</u> or <u>N</u> ed pursua	the environment, because all potentially NEGATIVE DECLARATION pursuant to ant to that earlier EIR or NEGATIVE psed upon the proposed project, nothing	
Signat	uré					3/19/2020 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.

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<u>1. <i>F</i></u>	AESTHETICS.	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant with Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No	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	

The proposed project site is located on East Loomis Road in the unincorporated, urban community of Stockton. Pursuant to San Joaquin County General Plan 2035 Natural and Cultural Resources Element Figure NCR-1 (page 3.4-13), this section of East Loomis Road is not a designated Scenic Route. Therefore, the project will have to impact on a scenic vista.

<u>II. 7</u>	AGRICULTURE AND FORESTRY RESOURCES.	impact	incorporated	impact	impact	Prior Eli
areformed arefor	determining whether impacts to agricultural resources a significant environmental effects, lead agencies may be to the California Agricultural Land Evaluation and the Assessment Model (1997) prepared by the diffornia Dept. of Conservation as an optional model to the in assessing impacts on agriculture and farmland. In the remining whether impacts to forest resources, luding timberland, are significant environmental ects, lead agencies may refer to information compiled the California Department of Forestry and Fire of the California Department of Forestry and Fire of the California Department of Forestry and Fire of the California Department of Forestry and Forest Legacy Assessment Project; and forest boom measurement methodology provided in Forest of the California Air Resources and Early 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?				X	
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?				×	

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# **Impact Discussion:**

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), which is described as land used for 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. The subject property is zoned Limited Industrial (I-L) and is located within an existing industrial corridor. 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.

<u>III.</u>	AIR QUALITY.	Potentially Significant Impact	Less I han Significant with Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	Analyzed In The Prior EIR
the cor	nere available, the significance criteria established by a applicable air quality management or air pollution atrol district may be relied upon to make the following terminations. 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?			×	

The project site is located in the San Joaquin Valley Air Basin, which is regulated by the San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District (SJVAPCD). SJVAPCD is the lead air quality regulatory agency for San Joaquin. This project was referred to the SJVAPCD for review on December 27, 2019. As a condition of approval, the project will be subject to the District's rules and regulations. Therefore, any impacts to air quality will be reduced to less than significant.

įV.	BIOLOGICAL RESOURCES.	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant with Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact	Analyzed In The Prior EIR
Wd	ould 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?			×		
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?		×		•	

The California Department of Fish and Wildlife Natural Diversity Database lists Athene curnicularia (Burrowing owl), Buteo swainsoni (Swainson hawk), and Elanus leucurus (White-tailed kite) 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 in a letter dated January 8, 2020 that the project site is subject to the SJMSCP. The applicant has confirmed that they 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.

The project site is not located in a riparian habitat as there is no river, stream or other waterway on the site, nor is it within an identified protected wetland, therefore the project will have no impact on riparian habitat or wetlands.

The project's impact on resident or migratory wildlife corridors will be reduced to less than significant because the project applicant will participate in the San Joaquin Multi-Species Habitat Conservation and Open Space Plan (SJMSCP). Implementation of the SJMSCP is expected to reduce impacts to biological resources resulting from the proposed project to a level of less-than-significant.

The projects impact on protected biological resources will be reduced to less than significant because the project applicant will participate in the San Joaquin Multi-Species Habitat Conservation and Open Space Plan (SJMSCP). Implementation of the SJMSCP is expected to reduce impacts to biological resources resulting from the proposed project to a level of less-than-significant.

There are no Native Oak Trees, Heritage Oak Trees, or Historical Trees that exist on the property. Therefore, the project site is not expected to interfere with local policies protecting biological resources. The impact to protected biological resources is less than significant.

The project will not conflict with the provisions of an adopted Habitat Conservation Plan, natural Community Conservation Plan, or other approved local, regional, or state habitat conservation plan, because the project applicant will participate in the San Joaquin Multi-Species Habitat Conservation and Open Space Plan (SJMSCP). Implementation of the SJMSCP is expected to reduce impacts to biological resources resulting from the proposed project to a level of less-than-significant.

<b>V</b> .	CULTURAL RESOURCES.	Potentially Significant Impact	Less I nan Significant with Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No	Analyzed In The Prior EIR
Wc	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?			×		

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.

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?			X		
b)	Conflict with or obstruct a state or local plan for renewable energy or energy efficiency?		SE	×		

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. These standards are updated periodically by the California Energy Commission. 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
<u>VII</u>	GE	OLOGY AND SOILS.		oo.poratoa			
Wo	uld	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?			×		
	iii)	Seismic-related ground failure, including liquefaction?			×		
	iv)	Landslides?			×		
b)		sult in substantial soil erosion or the loss of soil?			×		
c)	or f pro land	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?			X		
d)		located on expansive soil and create direct or rect risks to life or property?			×		
e)	use disp	we soils incapable of adequately supporting the of septic tanks or alternative waste water cosal systems where sewers are not available for disposal of waste water?			X		
f)	pale	ectly or indirectly destroy a unique eontological resource or site or unique geologic ture?			X		

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.

The project will not result in substantial soil erosion or the loss of topsoil because the project will require a grading permit as the site will be paved and landscape. The grading will be done under permit and inspection by the San Joaquin County Community Development Department's Building Division, and as a result, impacts to soil erosion or loss of topsoil will be less than significant.

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.

The project will be served by an onsite septic tank or alternative waste water disposal system for the disposal of waste water. The Environmental Health Department is requiring a soil suitability/nitrate loading study to determine the appropriate system and design prior to issuance of building permit(s). The sewage disposal system shall comply with the onsite wastewater treatment systems standards of San Joaquin County prior to approval. A percolation test that meets absorption rates of the manual of septic tank practice or E.P.A. Design Manual for onsite wastewater treatment and disposal system is required for each parcel. With these standards in place, only soils capable of adequately supporting the use of septic tanks will be approved for the septic system.

	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		

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).

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.

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. 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. This will reduce the impact of GHG emissions to a level of less than significant.

<sup>&</sup>lt;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?			×		
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?			X		
c)	Emit hazardous emissions or handle hazardous or acutely hazardous materials, substances, or waste within one-quarter mile of an existing or proposed school?			×	V.	
d)	Be located on a site which is included on a list of hazardous materials sites compiled pursuant to Government Code Section 65962.5 and, as a result, would it create a significant hazard to the public or the environment?			×		
e)	For a project located within an airport land use plan or, where such a plan has not been adopted, within two miles of a public airport or public use airport, would the project result in a safety hazard or excessive noise for people residing or working in the project area?			×		
f)	Impair implementation of or physically interfere with an adopted emergency response plan or emergency evacuation plan?			×		
g)	Expose people or structures, either directly or indirectly, to a significant risk of loss, injury or death involving wildland fires, including where wildlands are adjacent to urbanized areas or where residences are intermixed with wildlands?			X		

The proposed project is a truck parking facility. There is no storage permitted on-site except within the trailers. The nearest school is 0.5 mile from the proposed project site. The project site is not included on the California Department of Toxic Substances Control EnviroStor database map, compiled pursuant to Government Code 65962.5. The project would not result in, create or induce hazards and associated risks to the public. There may be hazardous materials within the trailer if a driver parks on-site between the time he picks up a load and the time he drops off the load. Operational activities would be subject to federal, state, and local laws and requirements designed to minimize and avoid potential health and safety risks associated with hazardous materials. No significant impacts are anticipated related to the transport, use, or storage of hazardous materials during construction activities.

The project site is located in the Traffic Pattern Zone 7a (TPZ) of the comprehensive Airport Land Use Plan boundaries for the Stockton Metropolitan Airport. The project site is located approximately 2.1 miles north of the nearest runway. The project shall abide by the applicable Airport Land Use Plan for the Stockton Metropolitan Airport. A referral was sent to the Airport Land Use Commission and the Stockton Metropolitan Airport on December 27, 2019 for review. The ALUC

responded in a memo dated February 6, 2020 that the project is compatible with the 2018 San Joaquin County Airport Land Use compatibility Plan and is subject to the Airport Land Use Commission's rules and regulations for design and construction.

The scope of the proposed project indicates that no additional emergency services will be required to provide for safe evacuation and adequate access to emergency equipment. The access driveway will be improved to meet the Montezuma Fire District standards for fire apparatus access roads. As such, the project will not impair implementation of, or interfere with, County-adopted emergency response plans.

<u>X.</u>	HYD	PROLOGY 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	late any water quality standards or waste charge requirements or otherwise substantially grade surface or ground water quality?				X	
b)	inte suc	bstantially decrease groundwater supplies or erfere substantially with groundwater recharge the that the project may impede sustainable nundwater management of the basin?				×	
c)	the the add	ostantially 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:				×	14
	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;				×	
	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?	155		0.70	X	ri E
d)		flood hazard, tsunami, or seiche zones, risk ease of pollutants due to project inundation?			X		
e)	qua	nflict with or obstruct implementation of a water ality control plan or sustainable groundwater nagement plan?			×		

The San Joaquin County Department of Public Works will require the applicant to 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.

The proposed project does not propose any substantial alteration to a drainage pattern, stream or river. Any necessary drainage improvements onsite will be required as conditions of approval for the project. The project will not result in substantial soil erosion because the site is flat and will be paved and landscaped subject to building code and Development Title requirements.

Development Title Section 9-1135.2 requires all development projects to provide drainage facilities within and downstream from the development project. Storm water runoff shall be conveyed into a terminal drain or may be retained in a retention basin. The Department of Public Works requires that drainage facilities be provided in accordance with the San Joaquin County Development Standards. The proposed project plans call for storm water to be retained in an on-site retention pond. The Department of Public Works will determine the feasibility of the proposed retention pond.

The project falls within the definition of a Regulated Project as defined in either the County Post-Construction Standards Manual or the County Phase II National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit and must comply with the following conditions:

- 1) A registered professional engineer shall design a system or combination of systems to infiltrate, treat and/or filter the 85th percentile storm drainage as defined in the 2015 "Multi-Agency Post-Construction Stormwater Standards Manual" or in the "California Association of StormWater Quality Agencies" (CASQA) publications and comply with the conditions of the County Phase II National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit. Standard "Best Management Practices" for the type of development proposed shall be incorporated into the system design. CASQA documents are available at http://www.casqa.org. Plans and/or calculations of the proposed system shall be submitted to the County for review and Approval Plan prior to clearance for plan check.
- 2) The proposed project disturbs less than one (1) acre of ground and is not part of a larger plan of common development. The construction phase of the proposed project shall follow best management practices of the County "Small Site Storm Water Management Plan".
- 3) Applicant shall 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 shall be maintained on the construction site and be available for review upon request. The post construction chapter of the SWPPP must identify expected pollutants and how they will be prevented from entering the storm system. The chapter shall also contain a maintenance plan, a spill plan, and a training plan for all employees on proper use, handling and disposal of potential pollutants. The example plans are available in the SWQCCP and CASQA handbooks.
- 4) Owner shall be responsible for providing the county with an annual report of operation and maintenance of any system. The property owner shall also be responsible for the payment to the County of an annual system inspection fee established by Resolution of the Board of Supervisors.
- 5) A Maintenance Plan shall be submitted and the execution of a Maintenance Agreement with San Joaquin County will be required for the owner/operator of stormwater controls prior to the release of the building permit.
- 6) Standard Best Management Practices for the type of development proposed shall be incorporated into the site storm drainage design.

With these conditions from the Department of Public Works, the impact on storm water runoff will be less than significant.

The proposed project site is not in a tsunami or seiche zone. The site is located in the X(levee) flood zone, which is defined as areas of 0.2% annual chance (500-year) flood; or areas of 1% annual chance (100-year) flood with average depths of less than 1 foot or with drainage areas less than 1 square mile. Therefore, there is no risk of release of pollutants due to inundation.

		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?			X		

The approval and operation of the proposed project will not physically divide an established community. The project is an orderly extension of the industrial development that is established within the industrial corridor in the urban community of Stockton and the project is an industrial use adjacent to properties zoned for industrial use. Therefore, the project's impact on an established community will be less than significant.

The proposed project will not result in conflicts between existing and proposed on-site or off-site land uses because the proposed project, truck parking, is consistent with all land use policies and regulations of the County Development Code and 2035 General Plan. Surrounding parcels are zoned industrial. Further to the north are additional industrial developments. The project parcel is zoned Limited Industrial (I-L). The Truck Sales and Service – Parking use type may be conditionally permitted in the I-L zone with an approved Site Approval application.

The project is not a growth-inducing action nor is it in conflict with any existing or planned uses. The project will not set a significant land use precedent in the area. There are no applicable Master Plans, Special Purpose Plans, or Specific Plans in the vicinity.

<u>XII</u>	. MINERAL RESOURCES.	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant with Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact		Analyzed In The Prior EIR
Wo	ould the project:		/es			
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?				X	
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	

The proposed project 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 proposed project is not in a designated MRZ zone. Therefore, the proposed project applications will not have an impact on the availability of mineral resources or mineral resource recovery sites within San Joaquin County.

XIII	I. NOISE.	Potentially Significant Impact	Significant with Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	Analyzed In The Prior EIR
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 poise levels?			×	= 1

The nearest conforming single family residence is located approximately 725 feet south of the project site, on the east side of South of East Munford Road. 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 I states that the maximum sound level for transportation noise is 65dB. 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. The primary noise source would be transportation noise from an unmanned truck parking facility with surrounding Industrial use. Therefore, noise impacts from the proposed project are expected to be less than significant.

The project site is located in the Traffic Pattern Zone 7a (TPZ) of the comprehensive Airport Land Use Plan boundaries for the Stockton Metropolitan Airport. The project site is located approximately 2.11 miles southwest of the nearest runway. The project shall abide by the applicable Airport Land Use Plan for the Stockton Metropolitan Airport. A referral was sent to the Airport Land Use Commission and the Stockton Metropolitan Airport on December 27, 2019 for review. A response from the Airport Land Use Commission was received on February 6, 2020 hat the project is compatible with the 2018 San Joaquin County Airport Land Use compatibility Plan and is subject to the Airport Land Use Commission's rules and regulations for design and construction. As a result, impacts to people in the project area are expected to be less than significant.

<u>XI\</u>	/. 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?				×	

The proposed project will not induce substantial population growth in the area either directly or indirectly because the project site is in an industrial zone and surrounding properties are zoned industrial. The proposed project would not displace substantial numbers of people or existing housing, necessitating the construction of replacement housing elsewhere. Therefore, the project will have no impact on population and housing.

XV. PUBLIC SERVICES.	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant with Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact	Analyzed In The Prior EIR
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?				X	
Parks?				×	

Other public facilities?

The proposed project is a truck parking facility to include the conversion of an existing 1,445 square foot single family residence to an office and grading for parking space for twenty (20) truck and nine-teen (19) trailers. 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.

XVI. RECREATION.	Potentially Significant Impact	Less I han 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?				×	

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 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 retail store, 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	No	Analyzed In The Prior EIR
<u>XV</u>	II. TRANSPORTATION.					
Wc	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?			×		

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The proposed project will not conflict with a program plan, ordinance, or policy addressing the circulation system, including transit, roadways, etc., because the conditions of approval include conditions to mitigate any conflict. The proposed truck parking facility is located on the west side of East Loomis Road, and will be accessible twenty-four (24) hours per day, seven (7) days a week, with no employees. A referral was sent to the San Joaquin County Department of Public Works on December 27, 2019. The Department responded in a letter dated February 13, 2020 that the potential traffic impacts are less than significant.

The Department of Public Works includes in its conditions of approval, the requirement that the E. Loomis Road driveway design shall be improved in accordance with the requirements of San Joaquin County Improvements Standards Drawing No. 17 [return radii for truck-trailer egress shall be designed to prevent encroachment onto opposing lanes of traffic] (Development Title Section 9-1145.5). With these conditions from the Department of Public Works, any hazards from curves or intersections will be reduced to less than significant.

The proposed project has direct access from E. Loomis Road that provide for adequate access for emergency equipment. Development Title Section 9-1145.5 requires that egress shall be designed to prevent encroachment onto opposing lanes of traffic. Pursuant to Development Title Section 9-1015.5(h)(1), access driveways shall have a width of no less than twentyfive (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 will 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	buld 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:**

This project is located in the Urban Community of Stockton, 2.0 miles west of North State Route 99 California Highway, between the Duck Creek to the south and East Loomis Road to the north. There are no known significant tribal cultural resources in the vicinity.

A project referral was sent to the California Native American Heritage Commission, the North Valley Yokuts Tribe, and the United Auburn Indian Community for review. No responses were received before or after the review period.

The project must comply with state and federal laws regarding any resources or remains found during construction. If, in the course of development, concentrations of prehistoric or historic-period materials are encountered, all work in the vicinity of the find must be halted until an archaeologist can evaluate the materials and make recommendations for further action. If human remains are encountered, all work must halt in the vicinity and the County Coroner shall be notified immediately. At the same time, a qualified archaeologist shall be contacted to evaluate the finds. If Human burials are found to be of Native American origin, steps shall be taken pursuant to Section 15064.5(e) of Guidelines for California Environmental Quality Act. The California Valley Miwok Tribe was sent a referral for the project on October 8, 2018 and a response was not received.

<u> </u>	K. UTILITIES AND SERVICE SYSTEMS.	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant with Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant 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?			×	
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?	14 -2	\ \^_	×	

The applicant has provided a will-serve letter from California Water Company that states it will serve the project for public water. The project will utilize an onsite private septic system and a retention pond for storm water. The well and septic system will be maintained privately. The Department of Public Works will determine the size of the onsite storm water basin prior to issuance of building permit. Therefore, the impact on public services is expected to be less than significant. The project is not anticipated to generate solid waste in excess of State and local standards.

		Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant with Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	Analyzed In The Prior EIR
<u>XX</u>	<u> X. WILDFIRE.</u>				
cla	ocated in or near state responsibility areas or lands assified as very high fire hazard severity zones, would be project:				
a)	Substantially impair an adopted emergency response plan or emergency evacuation plan?			×	
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?			×	
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?			×	

The project will have no impact on wildland fires as the project is located outside of a wildfire area.

XXI. MANDATORY FINDINGS OF SIGNIFICANCE.	Significant Impact	Significant with Mitigation Incorporated	Significant Impact	No Impact	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)?			×		
c) Does the project have environmental effects which will cause substantial adverse effects on human beings, either directly or indirectly?			X		

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### Impact Discussion:

The proposed project does not appear to have the potential to significantly degrade the overall quality of the region's environment, or 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, 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. There are no identified historic or prehistoric resources identified on this site. No archaeological or paleontological resources have been identified in the project area.

The applicant has confirmed that he will participate in 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. 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

The project is not expected to have cumulatively considerable impacts. Less than significant impacts to air quality, biological resources, traffic, and hydrology have been identified. Any potential impacts will be adequately addressed through conditions of approval and compliance with existing laws and regulations.

The project does not have environmental effects which will cause substantial adverse effects to the public.

Note: Authority cited: Sections 21083, 21083.05, Public Resources Code. Reference: Section 65088.4, Gov. Code; Sections 21080, 21083.05, 21095, Pub. Resources Code; Eureka Citizens for Responsible Govt. v. City of Eureka (2007) 147 Cal.App.4th 357; Protect the Historic Amador Waterways v. Amador Water Agency (2004) 116 Cal.App.4th at 1109; San Franciscans Upholding the Downtown Plan v. City and County of San Francisco (2002) 102 Cal.App.4th 656.

# **ATTACHMENT: PROJECT SITE PLAN**

