

Summary Form for Electronic Document Submittal

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SCH #: _____

Project Title: Godinho Heifer Ranch Expansion Project

Lead Agency: Merced County

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Project Location: Los Banos, Merced County
City *County*

Project Description (Proposed actions, location, and/or consequences).

Project sponsor seeks a Conditional Use Permit to expand the existing heifer facility to 471 dry cows and 3,030 support stock, an increase of 1,497 animals from existing numbers. The project would include construction of new barns totalling approximately 298,200 square feet, a mechanical solids separator pad, and a new well. As a result, approximately six acres of existing cropland would be converted to active ranch facilities, a continued agricultural use.

Identify the project's significant or potentially significant effects and briefly describe any proposed mitigation measures that would reduce or avoid that effect.

Air Quality construction dust and criteria pollutants (SJVAPCD approved Dust Control Plan), odors (implement Odor Control Plan). Biological Resources: protected bird species (pre-construction and/or protocol surveys avoidance and mitigation measures), night lighting (implement approved Lighting Plan). Cultural Resources: undiscovered cultural resources (work stoppage and consultation with a qualified archaeologist). Hazards: nuisance insects (implement BMPs). Water Quality: surface water quality (comply with Construction General Permit Order from SWRCB, groundwater contamination (implement BMPs, comply with requirements of NMP/WMP and WDR), water quality/off-site locations (written agreement with water recipient for compliance with all regulations), groundwater depletion (follow guidelines of Groundwater Sustainability Plan). Land Use: conflict with policies regarding odors and nuisance insects (implement measures and BMPs to control odors and nuisance insects).

If applicable, describe any of the project's areas of controversy known to the Lead Agency, including issues raised by agencies and the public.

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Provide a list of the responsible or trustee agencies for the project.

San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District
State Water Resources Control Board
Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board