NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A NEGATIVE DECLARATION

Notice is hereby given that the County of Fresno has prepared Initial Study Application (IS) No. 7308 pursuant to the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act for the following proposed project:

INITIAL STUDY APPLICATION NO. 7308 and VARIANCE APPLICATION NO. 4026 filed by GARY ROBERTS, proposing to allow the creation of a 2.5-acre parcel and a 17.05-acre parcel from an existing 19.55-acre parcel in the AE-20 (Exclusive Agricultural, 20-acre minimum parcel size) Zone District. The subject parcel is located on the east side of Thompson Avenue, between Jensen and North Avenues, approximately 1.7 miles west of the City of Sanger (2374 S. Thompson Avenue, Sanger, CA) (Sup. Dist. 4) (APN 332-021-22). Adopt the Negative Declaration prepared for Initial Study Application No. 7308 and take action on Variance Application No. 4026 with Findings and Conditions.

(hereafter, the "Proposed Project")

The County of Fresno has determined that it is appropriate to adopt a Negative Declaration for the Proposed Project. The purpose of this Notice is to (1) provide notice of the availability of IS Application No. 7308 and the draft Negative Declaration and request written comments thereon; and (2) provide notice of the public hearing regarding the Proposed Project.

Public Comment Period

The County of Fresno will receive written comments on the Proposed Project and Negative Declaration from July 8, 2020 to August 7, 2020.

Email written comments to cmonfette@fresnocountyca.gov, or mail comments to:

Fresno County Department of Public Works and Planning Development Services and Capital Projects Division Attn: Chrissy Monfette 2220 Tulare Street, Suite A Fresno, CA 93721

IS Application No. 7308 and the draft Negative Declaration may be viewed at the above address Monday through Thursday, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., and Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. (except holidays), or at www.co.fresno.ca.us/initialstudies. An electronic copy of the draft Negative Declaration for the Proposed Project may be obtained from Chrissy at the addresses above.

* SPECIAL NOTICE REGARDING PUBLIC PARTICIPATION DUE TO COVID-19 *

Due to the current Shelter-in-Place Order covering the State of California and Social Distance Guidelines issued by Federal, State, and Local Authorities, the County is implementing the following changes for attendance and public comment at all Planning Commission meetings until notified otherwise. The Board chambers will be open to the public. Any member of the Planning Commission may participate from a remote location by teleconference pursuant to Governor Gavin Newsom's executive Order N-25-20. Instructions about how to participate in the meeting will be posted at https://www.co.fresno.ca.us/planningcommission 72 hours prior to the meeting date.

Public Hearing

The Planning Commission will hold a public hearing to consider approving the Proposed Project and the Negative Declaration on August 13, 2020, at 8:45 a.m., or as soon thereafter as possible, in Room 301, Hall of Records, 2281 Tulare Street, Fresno, California 93721. Interested persons are invited to appear at the hearing and comment on the Proposed Project and draft Negative Declaration.

For questions please call Chrissy Monfette (559) 600-4245.

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