Stanislaus County

Public Works Department

Date of Notice: November 12, 2020

CORPORATE YARD PHASE II PROJECT

PUBLIC NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF

DRAFT INITIAL STUDY AND

MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION

The Stanislaus County Public Works Department, in compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), has prepared a draft Initial Study and Mitigated Negative Declaration Report (IS/MND) for the Corporate Yard Phase II project and is inviting your comments. Comments should be focused on the sufficiency of the document in disclosing the potential environmental effects from the project and proposed mitigation measures. The draft IS/MND can be viewed on the County website at <http://www.stancounty.com/publicworks/projects.shtm> under the Corporate Yard Phase 2 Project. Hard copies of the draft IS/MND are available for review at the Stanislaus County Department of Public Works front counter at 1716 Morgan Road, Modesto, CA 95358. Compact disks containing the IS/MND are available upon request through the Stanislaus County Department of Public Works; general phone number at 209-525-4130.

Comments must be post marked by 5:00 pm on **December 12, 2020** to be considered by the Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors and included in the final CEQA document certification. Please send written comments to: Theron Roschen, Project Manager,1716 Morgan Road, Modesto, CA 95358-5805or email your comments to roschent@stancounty.com with “Corporate Yard Phase II” in the email subject line.

**Subject:** Stanislaus County Department of Public Works proposes to renovate the County’s existing Corporate Yard; demolish three existing structures, construct two new structures and install lighting, paving and drainage improvements. The County Corporate Yard Phase II Projectis located in the center of Stanislaus County, approximately 2.7 miles southeast of downtown Modesto, and approximately 1.3 miles northwest of the town of Ceres, adjacent to State Route 99. The purpose of this project is to continue to upgrade the aging facility that is currently used for vehicle maintenance, storage, fueling and administration activities for the Department of Public Works, and has been in operation since 1958.

**Recommended CEQA Finding:** The recommended finding is that the project will not have a significant effect on the environment with implementation of Board-approved environmental mitigation measures.

 Theron Roschen, Project Manager

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