## **Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program**

The purpose of the program is to ensure that the mitigation measures required by the Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) for the City's requested actions are properly implemented. The City will monitor the mitigation measures for implementation of the project. The Mitigation Monitoring Checklist provides a mechanism for monitoring the mitigation measures in compliance with the IS/MND. General guidelines for the use and implementation of the monitoring program are described below.

<u>Mitigation Monitoring Checklist.</u> The Mitigation Monitoring Checklist is organized by categories of environmental impacts, (e.g., Air Quality, Biological Resources, Cultural Resources, etc.). The checklist identifies the implementation schedule and the responsible party for implementing the measure. A description of these items is provided below.

<u>Schedule for Implementation</u>. The mitigation measures required for the project will be implemented at various times as construction proceeds and during operation. Some measures must be implemented before or during construction activities, while others must be implemented on completion. For each mitigation measure, the implementation schedule is identified.

<u>Monitoring Responsibility</u>. The Monitoring Responsibility explains who will ensure that the mitigation measures are properly implemented is identified for each mitigation measure. The City of Taft shall be responsible for either monitoring each measure, or delegating to an agency or party at their discretion.

Mitigation Measure	Schedule for Implementation	Monitoring Responsibility		
Biological Resources				
BIO-1: Prior to groundbreaking activities the City shall review development				
applications and identify locations where habitat suitable for sensitive species				
may exist. Prior to the pre-permit site inspection applications will be checked	Prior to Construction	City of Taft		
against publicly available aerial imagery and databases such as the California				
Natural Diversity Database, California Native Plant Society Inventory of Rare				
and Endangered Plants, and United States Fish and Wildlife Service List of				
Threatened and Endangered Species to evaluate the potential for sensitive				
habitat on-site. During the pre-permit site inspection City staff and third party				
inspectors will determine if sensitive species are present. If it is determined that				
sensitive species are present or could be present CDFW will be consulted.				
CDFW may recommend approval of the proposed development, ask to conduct				
a site inspection, or request additional studies in order to make the				
determination that no impacts to sensitive species will occur.				
Cultural Resources	,	1		
CUL-1: Future developers within the Specific Plan Area, for projects not				
considered exempt, shall retain a qualified architectural historian to evaluate all				
historic-age buildings within the proposed project footprint for California	Prior to Construction	City of Taft		
Register of Historical Resources (CRHR) eligibility, to determine any potential				
adverse impacts to historical resources under CEQA. A report of findings shall				
be prepared and submitted to the City within 30 days of completion of the				
evaluation, concurrent with the proposed application for development.				
CUL-2: For new development that involves grading or excavation below the				
previous level of disturbance, if cultural resources are encountered during				
ground-disturbing activities, work in the immediate area shall be halted and an				
archaeologist meeting the Secretary of the Interior's Professional Qualification	Prior to Construction	City of Taft		
Standards for archaeology (NPS 1983) shall be contacted immediately to				
evaluate the find. If necessary, the evaluation may require preparation of a				

treatment plan and archaeological testing for CRHR eligibility. If the discovery proves to be significant under CEQA and cannot be avoided by the project, additional work such as data recovery excavation may be warranted to mitigate any significant impacts to cultural resources. In the event that archaeological resources of Native American origin are identified during project construction, a qualified archaeologist will consult with the City to begin Native American consultation procedures.			
<b>CUL-3:</b> If human remains are discovered, work shall halt in that area and the procedures set forth in the California Public Resources Code (Section 5097.98) and State Health and Safety Code (Section 7050.5) will be followed. The Principal Investigator shall contact the County Coroner.	During Construction	City of Taft County of Kern	and
Geology and Soils			
<b>GEO-1:</b> In the event that fossils or fossil-bearing deposits are discovered during Project construction, the contractor shall notify a qualified paleontologist to examine the discovery and excavations within 50 feet of the find shall be temporarily halted or diverted. The area of discovery shall be protected to ensure that fossils are not removed, handled, altered, or damaged until the Site is properly evaluated, and further action is determined. The paleontologist shall document the discovery as needed, in accordance with Society of Vertebrate Paleontology standards (Society of Vertebrate Paleontology 1995), evaluate the potential resource, and assess the significance of the finding under the criteria set forth in CEQA Guidelines Section 15064.5. The paleontologist shall notify the appropriate agencies to determine procedures that would be followed	During Construction	City of Taft County of Kern	and
before construction is allowed to resume at the location of the find. If the Project proponent determines that avoidance is not feasible, the paleontologist shall prepare an excavation plan for mitigating the effect of the Project based on the qualities that make the resource important. The plan shall be submitted to the County of Kern for review and approval prior to implementation.			

Hazards and Hazardous Materials		
<b>HAZ-1:</b> For projects within the Specific Plan Area that require excavation at any		
of the locations where a Cortese List site was recorded, a Phase I		
Environmental Site Assessment (and Phase II sampling where appropriate)	Prior to Construction	City of Taft,
would be required. If the Phase I Environmental Site Assessment determines		Department of Toxic
that remediation is required, the project sponsor would be required to		Substances Control
implement all remediation and abatement work in accordance with the		(DTSC), and
requirements of the Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC), Regional		Regional Water
Water Quality Control Board (RWQCB), or other jurisdictional agency.		Quality Control Board
		(RWQCB),
Noise		
<b>NOI -1:</b> Prior to the issuance of a building permit any light industrial adjacent to		
residential, the Planning Director, or designee, shall insure that uses are limited		
to activities that would not exceed 75 CNEL. The Applicant shall submit a final	Prior to Construction	City of Taft
acoustical memorandum for review and approval by the Planning Director, or		
designee, to confirm that central air conditioning is incorporated into project		
plans and that standard building noise reductions shall be achieved. The		
memorandum shall calculate the exterior-to-interior noise reduction which will		
account for the specific window and glass door sizes and types to confirm		
interior noise level standard are less than 45 A-weighted decibels (dBA)		
Community Noise Equivalent Level (CNEL). The Planning Director, or		
designee, shall ensure that the project plans include perimeter noise barrier		
walls for sensitive receptors.		