

#### DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

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# Referral Early Consultation

Date: September 29, 2022

To: Distribution List (See Attachment A)

From: Teresa McDonald, Associate Planner

**Planning and Community Development** 

Subject: LOT LINE ADJUSTMENT AND WILLIAMSON ACT CANCELLATION

APPLICATION NO. PLN2020-0059 - FOSTER

Respond By: October 14, 2022

Public Hearing Date: To Be Determined – Board of Supervisor's Public Hearing to be advertised

separately, at a later date.

### \*\*\*\*PLEASE REVIEW REFERRAL PROCESS POLICY\*\*\*\*

The Stanislaus County Department of Planning and Community Development is soliciting comments from responsible agencies under the Early Consultation process to determine: a) whether or not the project is subject to CEQA and b) if specific conditions should be placed upon project approval.

Therefore, please contact this office by the response date if you have any comments pertaining to the proposal. Comments made identifying potential impacts should be as specific as possible and should be based on supporting data (e.g., traffic counts, expected pollutant levels, etc.). Your comments should emphasize potential impacts in areas which your agency has expertise and/or jurisdictional responsibilities.

These comments will assist our Department in preparing a staff report to present to the Planning Commission. Those reports will contain our recommendations for approval or denial. They will also contain recommended conditions to be required should the project be approved. Therefore, please list any conditions that you wish to have included for presentation to the Commission as well as any other comments you may have. Please return all comments and/or conditions as soon as possible or no later than the response date referenced above.

Thank you for your cooperation. Please call (209) 525-6330 if you have any questions.

Applicant: Jeff Foster

Project Location: 6248 Carver Road, between Ladd Road and St. Francis Avenue, in the

Modesto area.

APN: 004-066-018 and 004-066-043

Williamson Act

Contract: 1974-1663
General Plan: Agriculture

Current Zoning: General Agriculture (A-2-40)

Project Description: Request to adjust the lines of two parcels from .34± and 12.28± acres to 1± and 11.62± acres respectively, and cancel a .66± acre portion of Williamson Act Contract No. 1974-1663 in the General Agriculture (A-2-40) zoning district. The purpose of the lot line adjustment is to increase the size of the .34± acre parcel to meet the 1 acre minimum required for parcels served by private well and septic, and to correct for a physical improvement which is found to encroach upon a property line. The .34± acre parcel is improved with a single-family dwelling and garage. The 12.28± acre parcel is planted in row crops and is improved with a barn and accessory structures. The existing .34± acres and the proposed 1± acres are non-conforming with Williamson Act's

minimum parcel size. A Williamson Act Contract Non-Renewal has been filed and recorded on the 12.28± acre portion of Contract No. 1974-1663. The remaining acreage (11.62± acres) of Williamson Act Contract 1974-1663 will remain under contract if the cancellation and lot line adjustment are approved.

Full document with attachments available for viewing at: <a href="http://www.stancounty.com/planning/pl/act-projects.shtm">http://www.stancounty.com/planning/pl/act-projects.shtm</a>



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Attachment A

Distribution List

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	COMMUNITY SERVICES DIST:	Х	STAN CO PUBLIC WORKS
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Χ	GSA: STRGBA		StanCOG
	HOSPITAL DIST:	Х	STANISLAUS FIRE PREVENTION BUREAU
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Х	MOSQUITO DIST: EASTSIDE		STATE OF CA SWRCB DIVISION OF DRINKING WATER DIST. 10
Χ	MOUNTAIN VALLEY EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES		SURROUNDING LAND OWNERS
	MUNICIPAL ADVISORY COUNCIL:		INTERESTED PARTIES
Χ	PACIFIC GAS & ELECTRIC	Х	PRA & NON PROJECT SPECIFIC NOTIFICATION REQUEST
	POSTMASTER:		TELEPHONE COMPANY: AT&T
	RAILROAD:		TRIBAL CONTACTS (CA Government Code §65352.3)
Χ	SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY APCD	Х	US ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS
Χ	SCHOOL DIST 1: STANISLAUS UNION		US FISH & WILDLIFE
Χ	SCHOOL DIST 2: MODESTO CITY SCHOOLS		US MILITARY (SB 1462) (7 agencies)
	00110020		
	WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT		USDA NRCS
X			USDA NRCS



TO:

### **STANISLAUS COUNTY CEQA REFERRAL RESPONSE FORM**

TO:	Stanislaus County Plann 1010 10 <sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 34 Modesto, CA 95354		munity Developr	nent	
FROM:					
SUBJECT:	LOT LINE ADJUSTME APPLICATION NO. PLN2			ACT	CANCELLATION
Based on this project:	agency's particular field(s	s) of expert	ise, it is our posi	tion the	e above described
	_ Will not have a significant _ May have a significant effe _ No Comments.				
capacity, soil to the following forms of the	are specific impacts which sypes, air quality, etc.) – (attended on the second of the	ach addition sures for th N OR CON R TO ISSUA	e above-listed imposition in the cest in the c	sary) pacts: F TO BI DING P	PLEASE BE SURE E IMPLEMENTED ERMIT, ETC.):
Response pre	pared by:				
Name		Title			Date

## **FOSTER**

# **WA-CAN LLA PLN2020-0059**

### AREA MAP

LEGEND

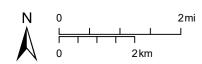
Project Site

Sphere of Influence

City

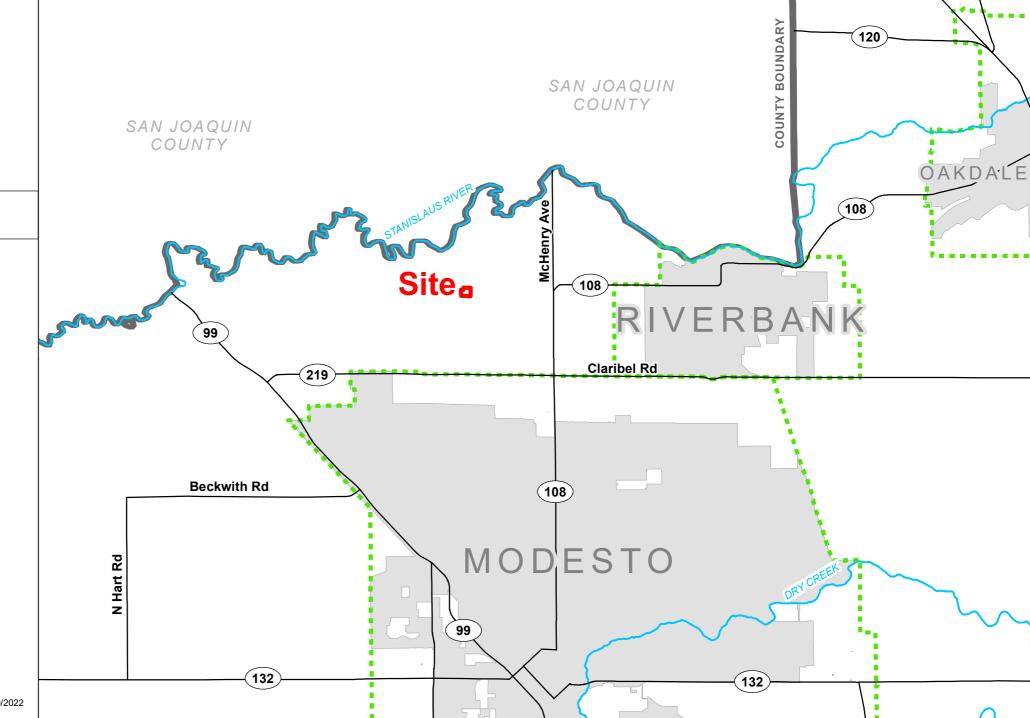
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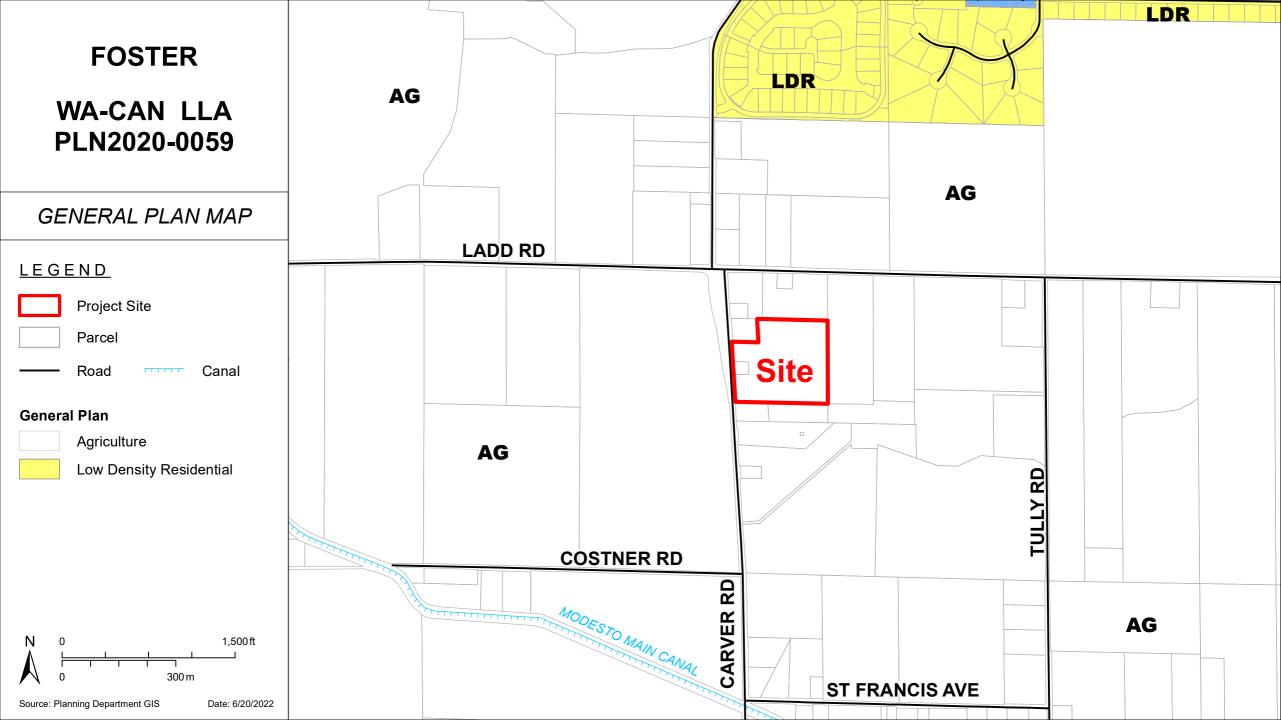
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Date: 6/20/2022

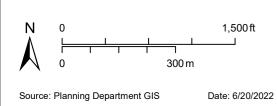




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### **ZONING MAP**







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2022 AERIAL AREA MAP

LEGEND

Project Site

— Road

Canal



N 0 1,500 ft 0 300 m

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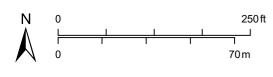
2022 AERIAL SITE MAP

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Project Site

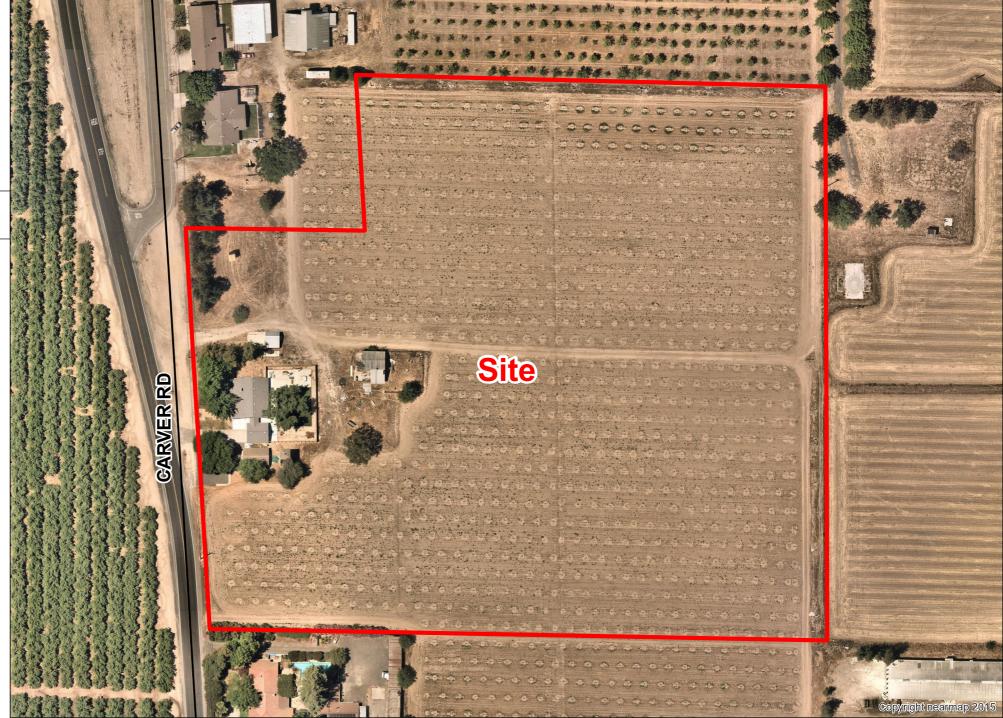
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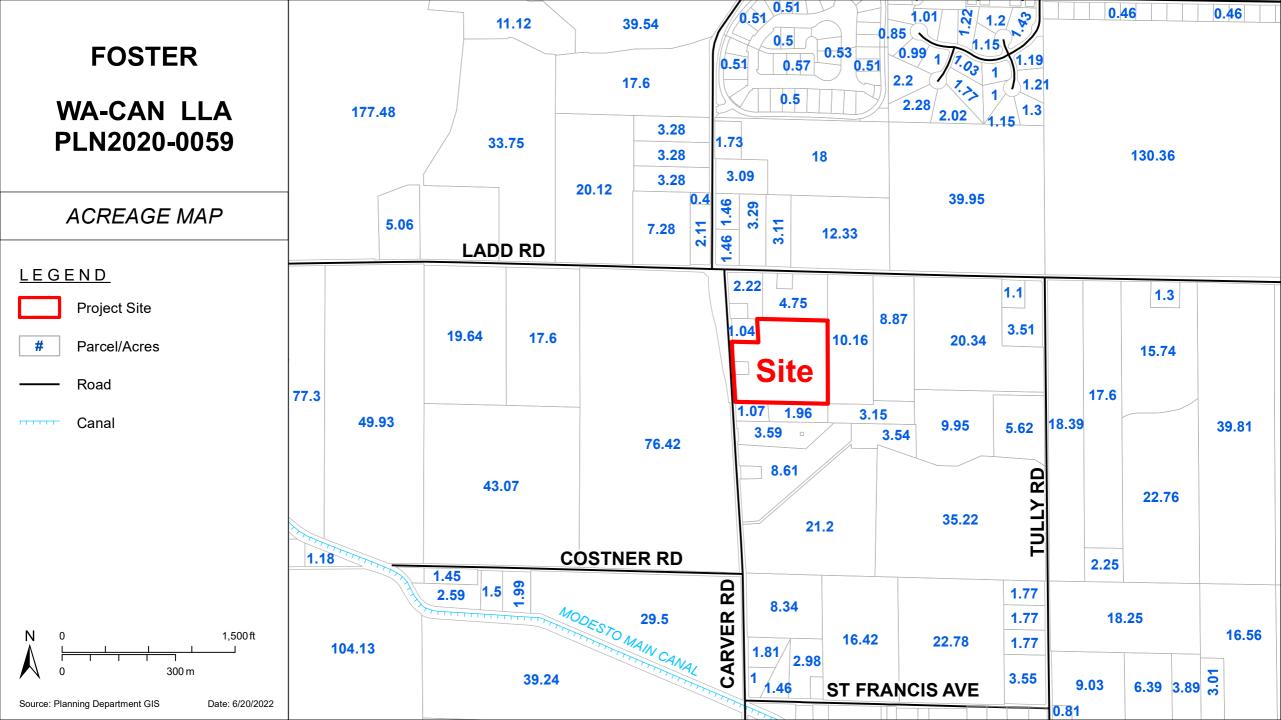
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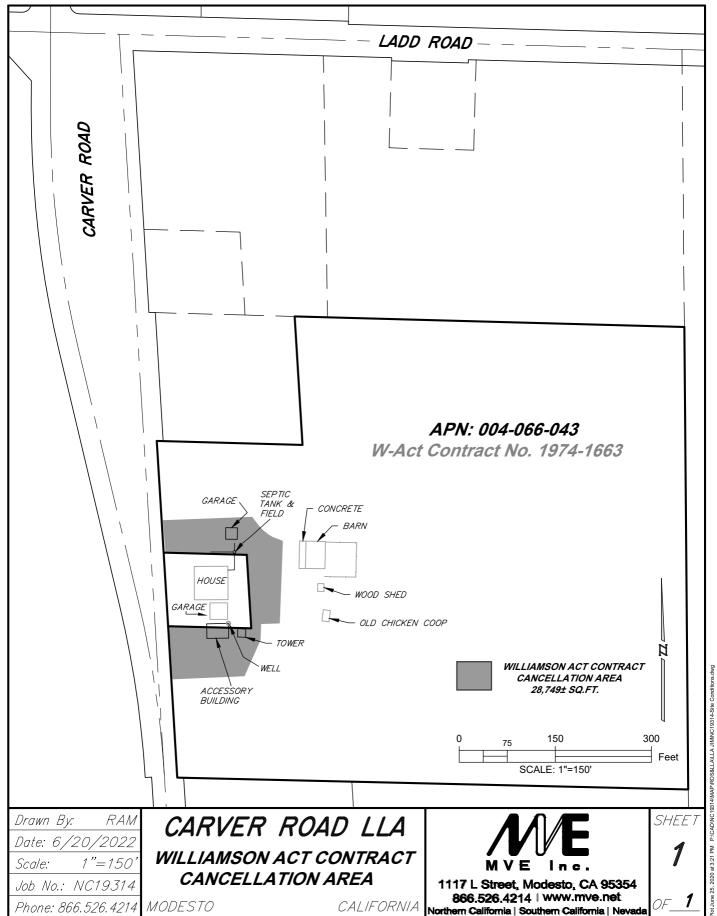


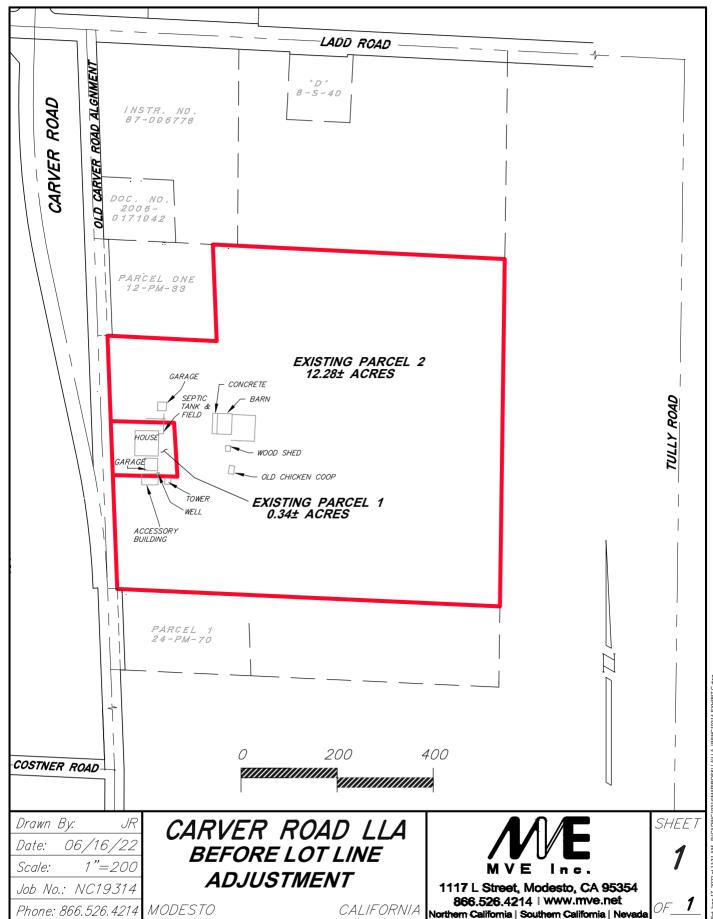
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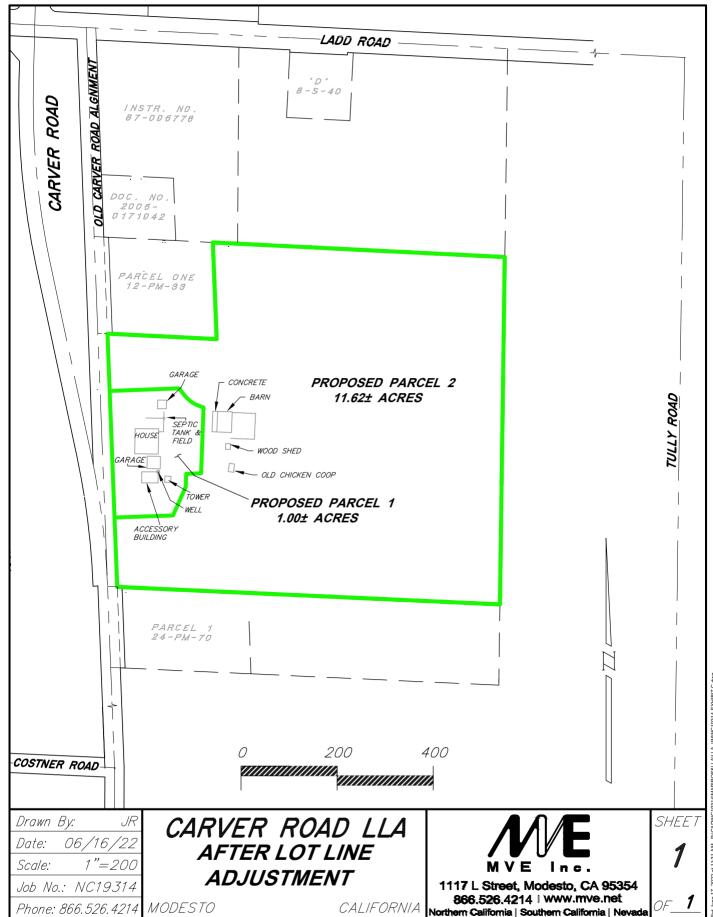
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Form Available Online: http://www.stancounty.com/planning/applications.shtm

## APPLICATION QUESTIONNAIRE

	e Check all applicable boxes LICATION FOR:	PLANNING STAFF USE ONLY:		
Staff is available to assist you with determining which applications are necessary				Application No(s): PLN 2020 - 0054  Date: 16/20
	General Plan Amendment Rezone Use Permit Variance		Subdivision Map Parcel Map Exception Williamson Act Cancellation	S 30 T 2 R 9  GP Designation: GP  Zoning: A-2-40  Fee: 2452 LWACAN, +UA  Receipt No. 555840  Received By: TM
	Historic Site Permit	Ø	Other (see attached LLA Application)	Notes: WA Cancellation + LLA

In order for your application to be considered COMPLETE, please answer all applicable questions on the following pages, and provide all applicable information listed on the checklist on pages i – v. Under State law, upon receipt of this application, staff has 30 days to determine if the application is complete. We typically do not take the full 30 days. It may be necessary for you to provide additional information and/or meet with staff to discuss the application. Pre-application meetings are not required, but are highly recommended. An incomplete application will be placed on hold until all the necessary information is provided to the satisfaction of the requesting agency. An application will not be accepted without all the information identified on the checklist.

Please contact staff at (209) 525-6330 to discuss any questions you may have. Staff will attempt to help you in any way we can.

## PROJECT INFORMATION

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** (Describe the project in detail, including physical features of the site, proposed improvements, proposed uses or business, operating hours, number of employees, anticipated customers, etc. – Attach additional sheets as necessary)

\*Please note: A detailed project description is essential to the reviewing process of this request. In order to approve a project, the Planning Commission or the Board of Supervisors must decide whether there is enough information available to be able to make very specific statements about the project. These statements are called "Findings". It is your responsibility as an applicant to provide enough information about the proposed project, so that staff can recommend that the Commission or the Board make the required Findings. Specific project Findings are shown on pages 17 – 19 and can be used as a guide for preparing your project description. (If you are applying for a Variance or Exception, please contact staff to discuss special requirements).

This is a request to cancel a portion of Williamson Act Contract No. 74-1663 in order to facilitate a Lot Line

Adjustment which would correct long standing physical improvements (constructed across property lines). Also, this Lot Line Adjustment will increase an undersized parcel to meet the minimum parcel size of 1-acre. A summary

of the required Williamson Act Contract "Cancellation Findings" is provided as an attachment to this application.

## PROJECT SITE INFORMATION

Complete and accurate information saves time and is vital to project review and assessment. Please complete each section entirely. If a question is not applicable to your project, please indicated this to show that each question has been carefully considered. Contact the Planning & Community Development Department Staff, 1010 10<sup>th</sup> Street – 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, (209) 525-6330, if you have any questions. Pre-application meetings are highly recommended.

ASSESSOR'S PARCEL	- NOMBEK	S): Book_	(	<u>004</u> Page	e066	Parcel	043
Additional parcel numbers: Project Site Address or Physical Location:		rver Road					
	Modesto	o, CA 95356	;				
Property Area:	Acres:	12.23±	_ or	Square feet: _	532,738±		
Current and Previous Land U	se: (Explain e	existing and p	revious	s land use(s) of s	ite for the last te	n years)	
The project site has been	n and is curi	rently used	as a l	nomesite and i	s in agricultur	al producti	on.
List any known previous p project name, type of project, and Parcel Map, recorded on	d date of approv	val)			Permit, Parcel I	Map, etc.: (	Please identif
Existing General Plan & Zo Proposed General Plan & Zo (if applicable)							
ADJACENT LAND USE direction of the project site)	E: (Describe	adjacent lan	d uses	within 1,320 fe	et (1/4 mile) an	id/or two par	cels in each
East: <u>Agricultural uses</u>	& Single-Fa	mily Dwelli	ngs	***************************************			
West: <u>Agricultural uses</u>	& Single-Fa	mily Dwelli	ngs				
North: <i>Agricultural uses,</i>	Single-Fam	ily Dwelling	gs & tl	ne unincorpora	ated Commun	ity of Del R	io
South: <i>Agricultural uses</i>	& Single-Fa	mily Dwelli	ngs				
WILLIAMSON ACT CON	NTRACT:						
Yes ⊠ No □		erty currently umber:		a Williamson Act 74-1663	Contract?	_	
	If yes, has	a Notice of N	on-Rer	ewal been filed?			
	Date Filed:	Yes - File	d: 01/3	1/2020 & Record	ded: 02/04/2020		

Yes 🗵	No		Do you pro	pose to cancel any p	ortion of the Co	ontract?	
Yes 🗖	No	X		any agriculture, cons project site. (Such e	•	•	asements affecting the Act Contracts)
			If yes, pleas	se list and provide a	recorded copy:		
SITE CI	HAR	ACTE	RISTICS: (Check o	one or more)	Flat 🗷	Rolling D S	teep 🗖
VEGET	ATIC	ON: Wh	nat kind of plants are	growing on your pro	perty? (Check	one or more)	
Field crop	os 🗵	3	Orchard $\square$	Pasture/Grassl	and 🗵	Scattered trees	
Shrubs			Woodland $\square$	River/Riparian		Other $\square$	
Explain C	other:						
Yes 🗆	No	X		nove any trees? (If mation regarding trans		· ·	nned for removal on plot
GRADII	NG:						
Yes 🗆	No	X		any grading? (If own areas to be graded			yards and acres to be
STREA	MS,	LAKE:	S, & PONDS:				
Yes 🗖	No	X	Are there any streat on plot plan)	ıms, lakes, ponds or	· other waterco	urses on the proper	ty? (If yes, please show
Yes 🗖	No	X	• -	ange any drainage p			rovide additional sheet if
Yes 🗆	No	K	Are there any gullie	s or areas of soil ero	osion? (If yes, pl	ease show on plot pla	n)
Yes 🗆	No	X	low lying areas, see	eps, springs, streams	s, creeks, river l	banks, or other area	ditches, gullies, ponds, on the site that carries w areas to be graded on
							in authorization from artment of Fish and

STRUCTURES:	:			
Yes 🛛 No 🗖	Are there structures on the property lines and other feat	, ,	ow on plot plan. Sho	ow a relationship to
Yes D No 🗵	Will structures be moved or o	demolished? (If yes, indicate	on plot plan.)	
Yes □ No ☑	Do you plan to build new stru	uctures? (If yes, show location	on and size on plot plan.)	
Yes ☐ No 区	Are there buildings of possiles size on plot plan.)			and show location and
PROJECT SITE				
Existing Building C	overage:Sq.	Ft. Lands	caped Area:	Sq. Ft.
Proposed Building	Coverage:Sq.	Ft. Paved	Surface Area:	Sq. Ft.
Building height in fe	eet (measured from ground to high purtenances, excluding buildings, les, etc.): (Provide additional sheets	nest point): (Provide addition measured from ground to	al sheets if necessary) <u></u>	N/A
Proposed surface	material for parking area: (Provi	de information addressing d		non-asphalt/concrete
UTILITIES AND	IRRIGATION FACILITIES:			
Yes 🗵 No 🗖	Are there existing public or p yes, show location and size on p		Includes telephone, p	ower, water, etc. (If
Who provides, or w	vill provide the following services to	the property?		
Electrical:	MID	Sewer*:	Private Septic	System
Telephone:	AT&T	Gas/Propane:	Propar	ne
Water**	Private Well	Irrigation:	MID	

\*Please Note: A "will serve" letter is required if the sewer service will be provided by City, Sanitary District, Community Services District, etc.

\*\*Please Note: A "will serve" letter is required if the water source is a City, Irrigation District, Water District, etc., and the water purveyor may be required to provide verification through an Urban Water Management Plan that an adequate water supply exists to service your proposed development.

Will any special or unique sewage wastes be generated by this development other than that normally associated with resident or employee restrooms? Industrial, chemical, manufacturing, animal wastes? (Please describe:)

None -	N/A		44								
single fa	amily	reside	ence, it	is likely that Waste	by the proposed projec Discharge Requireme of quantities, quality, tre	nts will be required b	y the Regional Water				
Yes 🗆	No	X		Are there existing irrigation, telephone, or power company easements on the property? (If yes, show location and size on plot plan.)							
Yes 🗆	No	X		Do the existing utilities, including irrigation facilities, need to be moved? (If yes, show location and size on plot plan.)							
Yes 🗆	No	X	Does	the project require	extension of utilities? (If y	es, show location and size	on plot plan.)				
AFFOR	DAE	BLE H	OUSIN	IG/SENIOR:							
Yes 🗆	No	X	Will t	he project include af	fordable or senior housin	g provisions? (If yes, plea	ase explain)				
RESIDE	ENTI	AL PI	ROJEC	CTS: (Please comple	te if applicable – Attach add	itional sheets if necessary)					
Total No.	Lots	•		Total Dwellin	g Units:	Total Acreag	e:				
Net Dens	sity pe	er Acre:			Gross De	nsity per Acre:					
(comple	te if a	pplica	ble)	Single Family	Two Family Duplex	Multi-Family Apartments	Multi-Family Condominium/ Townhouse				
Number	of Un	its:									
Acreage:	!				en men		## ## ##				
PROJE	CTS	: (Plea	ase comp	lete if applicable – Atta	CTURING, RETAIL, ch additional sheets if necesing(s): N/A	ssary)					
Type of u	use(s)	: <u>N/A</u>									

Days and hours of open	ration: <i>N/A</i>								
Seasonal operation (i.e., packing shed, huller, etc.) months and hours of operation:									
Occupancy/capacity of	building: <b>N/A</b>								
Number of employees:	(Maximum Shift): N/A	(Minimum Shift):	N/A						
Estimated number of da	aily customers/visitors on site at peak	time: N/A							
Other occupants: N/A									
Estimated number of tro	uck deliveries/loadings per day:	N/A							
Estimated hours of truc	k deliveries/loadings per day:	N/A							
Estimated percentage of	of traffic to be generated by trucks:	N/A							
Estimated number of ra	ilroad deliveries/loadings per day:	N/A							
Square footage of:									
Office area:		Warehouse area:							
Sales area:		Storage area:	### ##						
Loading area:		Manufacturing area:							
Other: (explain	type of area)								
Yes □ No 区	Will the proposed use involve toxic of	r hazardous materials or waste? (P	lease explain)						
ROAD AND ACCE	SS INFORMATION:		4.44.40.10.10.10.10.10.10.10.10.10.10.10.10.10						
What County road(s) w	ill provide the project's main access?	(Please show all existing and proposed	driveways on the plot plan)						
• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	ain access is currently and will								
W. C.									

Yes 🛚	No	X	Are there private or public road or access easements on the property now? (If yes, show location and size on plot plan)
Yes 🛘	No	X	Do you require a private road or easement to access the property? (If yes, show location and size on plot plan)
Yes 🗆	No	X	Do you require security gates and fencing on the access? (If yes, show location and size on plot plan)
approval	of a	n Exc	cels that do not front on a County-maintained road or require special access may require ception to the Subdivision Ordinance. Please contact staff to determine if an exception is cuss the necessary Findings.
STORM	DR	AIN.	AGE:
How will y	our p	oroje	ct handle storm water runoff? (Check one) Drainage Basin Direct Discharge Doverland
Cther	: (ple	ease	explain) <b>N/A</b>
If direct d	ischa	rge i	s proposed, what specific waterway are you proposing to discharge to?
with you	napp ON C	licat CON	
No grad	ling	or d	evelopment is proposed which would require erosion control measures
			may be required to obtain an NPDES Storm Water Permit from the Regional Water Quality I prepare a Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan.
ADDITI	ONA	L IN	NFORMATION:
			ace to provide any other information you feel is appropriate for the County to consider during review of Attach extra sheets if necessary)
**See at	tach	ned l	Williamson Act Contract - Cancellation Findings
4 1.07 11.24.27			



Project Management · Civil/Structural Engineering · Urban Design · Land Planning Entitlements · Right-of-Way/Permitting · Surveying · Construction Staking · Graphics

### **Findings Statement**

Partial Contract Cancellation
Williamson Act Contract No. 1974-1663

Jeff & Britta Foster

Stanislaus County, California

This application is to request for a partial cancellation of Williamson Act Contract 1974-1663, occupying Assessor's Parcel Number (APN) 004-066-043. This application is being submitted concurrently with a Lot Line Adjustment including APN 004-066-018. The Lot Line Adjustment is being processed to make an adjustment isolating the specific area of land under Williamson Act Contract No. 1974-1663 which is currently used as part of a homesite and associated amenities but NOT for farming. This particular portion of contract area has not been used for farming for over 50 years. The portion of contract 1974-1663 being canceled is approximately 28,749± square feet (0.66 acres).

In accordance with CA Government Code §51282, which outlines the requirements necessary for cancellation of land conservation contracts, the findings to be made are each listed below with the justification following in **bold/italics**:

(1) That the cancellation is for land on which a notice of nonrenewal has been served pursuant to Section 51245.

A Notice of Non-Renewal was recorded for a 12.28± acre portion (APN: 004-066-043) of Williamson Act Contract No. 1974-1663 on February 4, 2020 (DOC-2020-0007850-00). After the cancellation of the Williamson Act Contract, the remaining 11.62± acres remaining will be entered into a new Williamson Act Contract as part of a Lot Line Adjustment, Rescission Re-Entry action.

(2) That cancellation is not likely to result in the removal of adjacent lands from agricultural use.

This project involves the cancellation of a 0.66± acre portion of a Williamson Act contract, leaving the remaining 11.62± acres of the contract in place and in agricultural production. The 0.66± acres proposed for cancellation is occupied by various improvements related to an adjoining property (APN: 004-066-018). These improvements include portions of two accessory buildings, a domestic water well and a septic system. The reason the cancellation is being requested is to allow the 0.66± acre site, developed as a standalone homesite, to increase in size in order to meet the minimum parcel size and to correct improvements which are encroaching onto the neighboring parcel (APN: 004-066-043). This small strip of land subject to the cancellation is and historically has been isolated from agricultural use and utilized as

part of an adjacent homesite and therefore will not result in removal of adjacent lands for planting, harvest or other agricultural uses.

(3) That cancellation is for an alternative use which is consistent with the applicable provisions of the city or county general plan.

The 0.66± acre area proposed for cancellation is occupied by existing improvements associated with a long standing homesite. The reason the cancellation is being requested is to allow the adjacent 0.34± acre parcel (APN: 004-066-018) to become 1-acre in size, consistent with the minimum site requirements of the Stanislaus County Code and consistent with the County's General Plan. The 0.66± acre area proposed to be cancelled from Williamson Act Contract and the resulting 1-acre parcel after the Lot Line Adjustment is too small to be covered under a Williamson Act Contract, as it is under 10 acres in size. No other changes to the current land use are proposed.

(4) That cancellation will not result in discontiguous patterns of urban development.

This cancellation will be transparent in so far that the character of the property involved, specifically the area this cancellation involves, will remain as it has been for over 50+ years. There are no additional buildings, roads or other type of development proposed. Therefore, the project will not result in discontiguous patterns of urban development.

(5) That there is no proximate noncontracted land which is both available and suitable for the use to which it is proposed the contracted land be put, or, that development of the contracted land would provide more contiguous patterns of urban development than development of proximate noncontracted land..."

There is no proximate non-contracted land which is both available and suitable for this project request, as it involves an existing homesite parcel and the creation of a homesite parcel in the County's General Agriculture Zoning District has been prohibited for over 20 years. As stated previously, the agricultural use of the subject property is consistent with both the Williamson Act program and the rules and regulations of Stanislaus County. Therefore, this request will not result in discontiguous land use patterns.