## Negative Archaeological Survey Report 749 San Ysidro Road Montecito Area, Santa Barbara County, California APN 011-100-049

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#### **PROJECT INFORMATION PAGE**

**Report Type:** Intensive Pedestrian Survey (12.768 acres)

Project Common Name: 749 San Ysidro Road

APN, Property Address: 011-100-049, 749 San Ysidro Road, Santa Barbara County, CA

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USGS Quadrangle: Santa Barbara and Carpinteria

Sites: None

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#### 1.0 INTRODUCTION / PROJECT LOCATION

County: Santa Barbara

USGS Quad Map: Santa Barbara and Carpinteria

Section, Township, and Range or Land Grant: T 14/15N, R 26W

**Physical Address:** 749 San Ysidro Road, Santa Barbara County, CA (Figures 1 and 2)

**Other Locational Data:** From Santa Barbara County Planning & Development, 123 East Anapamu Street, Santa Barbara:

- Proceed on US 101 North for 3.3 miles to exit 93 toward Eucalyptus Lane/San Ysidro Road;
- Take exit 93, Eucalyptus Lane/San Ysidro Road, and proceed 0.1 miles, and;
- Turn left onto Eucalyptus Lane/San Ysidro Road and proceed 1.5 miles.

#### APN: 011-100-049

#### 2.0 OWNER'S CONTACT INFORMATION

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#### 3.0 SURVEY

Type: Intensive Pedestrian Date of Survey: November 11, 2020 Field Crew: Lucas Nichols, Wood Staff Archaeologist.

#### 4.0 DESCRIPTION

**Description of Survey Technique:** An intensive ground surface survey was conducted by Wood's project archaeologist on November 11, 2020 of the proposed improvement area (Figure 2). Ground surfaces within the proposed Project site were intensively surveyed using no greater than 15-meter (49-foot) transects. The survey was divided into four areas representing the four proposed residential development lots. Consistent with Santa Barbara County Cultural Resources Guidelines, photographs were taken of all surveyed areas (Appendix A).

Assessment of Adequacy of Visibility for Purposes of the Survey: The intensive archaeological surface survey was generally characterized by ground surfaces that were covered by light to dense surface vegetation, providing fair to complete (30 to 100 percent) ground surface visibility.

The Proposed Lots 1 and 4 are located in gently sloping fallow fields. The ground surface was partially covered by annual grasses and in many places appears to have been recently mowed (Appendix A, Photos 1 and 2). As a result, ground surface visibility was fair to very good (30 to 50 percent). Evidence of past importation of fill soils is visible on the southern halves of Proposed Lot 1 and Proposed Lot 4 (Appendix A, Photos 3 and 4). These areas are raised higher than the natural landscape and clearly visible from a distance. A seasonal drainage runs north to south through the eastern half of Proposed Lot 4 and is lined with sandstone cobbles and boulders. The cobbles and boulders were the type of sandstone that would be found in the area but the size, shape, and context of the rocks indicates that they were imported, possibly during the importation of soils. Rodent burrow tailings (up to 4 burrows per square meter) afforded examination of subsurface soils. Soils observed included a brown sandy loam, consistent with soils described within the Project site (USDA/SCS 1974).

The northern half of Proposed Lot 3 contains substantial development including the single-family dwelling, guest house, barn, and pool, while the southern half is a fallow field. Topography ranged from level to gently sloping. The ground surface was partially covered by existing structures, pavement, and wood chips; however, a majority of the ground surface was visible. Visible ground surfaces were partially covered by annual grasses and landscaping, resulting in fair to excellent (30 to 80 percent) ground surface visibility (Appendix A, Photos 5 and 6). Previous improvements are evident in these areas as indicated by the many retaining walls and landscaping (Appendix A, Photos 7 and 8). Rodent burrow tailings (up to 4 burrows per square meter) afforded examination of subsurface soils. Soils observed included a brown sandy loam, consistent with soils described within the Project site (USDA/SCS 1974).

The topography of Proposed Lot 2 is level to gently sloping. Ground surfaces were partially covered by annual grasses, landscaping, and wood chips, resulting in fair to complete (30 to 100 percent) ground surface visibility (Appendix A, Photo 9). Previous improvements including a tennis court and landscaping, was observed (Appendix A, Photo 10). Rodent burrow tailings (up to 4 burrows per square meter) afforded examination of subsurface soils. Soils observed included a brown sandy loam, consistent with soils described within the Project site (USDA/SCS 1974).

**Explanation of Why an Extended Phase 1 was not Performed:** In light of previous investigations (Berry 1986; Stone 1984; Wilcoxon 1977), the intensive Phase 1 survey of all proposed Project development areas provided a reliable evaluation of the absence of prehistoric and Historical-period archaeological resources on the ground surface as well as throughout the A Horizon topsoils. Ground surface visibility was complemented by the inspection of rodent burrow tailings that exposed soil deeper than the 10- to 26-inch A Horizon topsoil depth. The

absence of prehistoric and Historical-period archaeological materials throughout the rodent burrow tailings indicates that there is very little potential for unknown subsurface resources. Oak Creek is over 50 feet distant from the proposed development areas, such that alluviation associated with intense storm events carried in the drainage would not extend within areas of ground disturbance. Therefore, no Extended Phase 1 archaeological excavations are necessary to supplement the results of the current intensive Phase 1 survey.

**Confirmation of Negative Results:** No unrecorded prehistoric or historical-period resources were identified during previous pedestrian surveys (Berry 1986; Stone 1984; Wilcoxon 1977), nor were any identified during the current intensive Phase 1 survey, and no known archaeological resources are recorded within the Project site.

**Project Description:** The Project site encompasses 12.768-acres, to be split into four lots of a minimum 3 acres (Figure 2). The Project site is located on a gentle, southern facing slope of the foothills of the Santa Ynez mountains. Oak Creek runs north to south over 50 feet away from all proposed development areas. An unnamed seasonal drainage also runs north to south in the central portion of the property. Milpitas-Positas fine sandy loam (2 to 9 percent slopes) is present within the Project site (USDA/SCS 1974). Milpitas-Positas fine sandy loam is located on gentle to moderately sloping areas on terraces in unpredictable patterns. The A Horizon topsoil is approximately 24 inches thick and consists of a brown or light brownish-gray fine sandy loam and loam. Underlying B Horizon subsoils include dark yellowish-brown and yellowish-brown clay and sandy clay to a depth of 54 inches.

Historic aerial photographs from 1948 indicate that the entire project site was a fruit tree orchard with four buildings. Two appear to be the extant single-family residence and guest house. A 1965 aerial photograph indicates that the orchards and all buildings were removed except the single-family residence and guest house.

The property was surveyed in 1977 by L. Wilcoxon, using 6-m (20-foot) parallel transects, visiting natural and artificial exposures (e.g., rodent tailings and road cuts), and exploring surface soil to a depth of 8 centimeters (3 inches) below the surface with a hand mattock. The Project site was used as a horse pasture with little vegetative cover, and ground surface visibility was excellent. No archaeological resources were identified (Wilcoxon 1977). Subsequent intensive surveys of portions of the parcel were conducted in 1984 and 1986, with the same negative result (Berry 1986; Stone 1984).

The County of Santa Barbara Department of Planning permit records were accessed for the Project site. An Emergency Permit (Land Use Permit 98-EMP-019) was issued (Case Number 98-LUS-484 MO) in 1998 to Stuart Whitman for the stockpiling of 3,000 cubic yards of fill soils following the El Nino winter of 1998. The fill soils were a result of the Army Corps of Engineers and the County Public Works Department clearing out debris basins after the El Nino winter storms. An additional 2,048 cubic yards of fill was deposited in 1999. The Land Use Permit explains that the fill soil was spread to a 4-ft. depth in the southern area of the Project site (the fill soils were

observed during the current intensive field survey).

**Recommended Conditions:** The potential for unknown, potentially significant cultural resources to exist within the proposed improvement areas is very low because of the reliable previous archaeological surveys and the negative results of the current survey. Representatives of the local Barbareño/Ventureño Band and of the Santa Ynez Band of Chumash Indians both requested consultation in the event of any future development of the four parcels created as a result of this Project. Standard recommendations follow:

- 1. In the unlikely event that potentially intact cultural resources are encountered, ground disturbances in this location will be immediately suspended and redirected outside of the immediate area of the find. A County-qualified archaeologist will prepare a plan to characterize the nature, extent, and significance of the cultural materials in consultation with the appropriate local tribal representatives, to be reviewed and approved by County of Santa Barbara. All archaeological investigations will be undertaken consistent with County of Santa Barbara Cultural Resource Guidelines. If the cultural resources are determined to be significant, a mitigation plan will be prepared and conducted by a County-qualified archaeologist subsequent to review and approval by the County of Santa Barbara. All excavations will be monitored by a qualified Native American monitor.
- 2. In the unlikely event that potential human remains are identified during construction or excavations, all activity in the vicinity of the find will be immediately suspended and redirected elsewhere. All steps required to comply with Public Resources Code 5097.98 will be implemented, including contacting the Sheriff Coroner to determine if the bones are human and not of modern age. If they are human and prehistoric, the Most Likely Descendant (MLD) of the bones will be identified by the Native American Heritage Commission (NAHC). The Project owner and MLD will identify a mutually agreeable location for the reinternment of the bones. The County of Santa Barbara will be informed of these processes.
- The appropriate local tribal representatives will be notified of any Project revisions or of future development within the four parcels resulting from this project and shall be consulted regarding their potential concerns.

#### 5.0 RECORDS SEARCH

An archaeological resources site records and literature search of the CCIC was conducted on December 3, 2020. The records search identified all previously recorded archaeological resources and cultural resource surveys within the proposed Project site and a 0.5-mile buffer around it (Appendix B).

Sixteen previous investigations have been conducted within the Project site or the 0.5-mi buffer; three of these previous investigations were conducted within some portion of the Project site (Berry 1986; Stone 1984; Wilcoxon

1977). No previously recorded archaeological resources exist within the Project site. One prehistoric resource and two historical-period resources were identified within the 0.5-mi buffer surrounding the Project Site.

#### Prehistoric Archaeological Resource

**<u>CA-SBA-2699/P-42-002699</u>**: Originally recorded in 1988 as a milling slick on a boulder approximately 400 meters from the Project site, subsequent attempts to identify the boulder in 1994 and 2017 have located neither the milling slick feature, the boulder, nor any potential associated subsurface archaeological material that may represent traces of prehistoric occupation (Cooley and Santoro 1995a, 1995b; Leftwich 2017).

#### Historical-Period Archaeological Resources:

**<u>CA-SBA-3622H/P-42-003622</u>**: This site is the extant alignment of State Highway (State Route [SR]) 192, connecting SR 154 to US Highway 101. SR-192 was originally constructed in 1926 as Valley Road by the County of Santa Barbara and incorporated into the State Highway system in 1933. The highway alignment includes many historical features, including water tunnels of dressed sandstone and mortar with capping stones (Darcangelo and Mikesell 1999; Larson et al. 2005a).

**<u>CA-SBA-3785H/P-42-003785</u>**: This site is a box culvert that carries Oak Creek under SR-192. The culvert includes a sandstone-lined channel topped by a concrete deck with sandstone guardrails, built during initial highway construction in the 1920s (Larson et al. 2005b).

#### 6.0 SACRED LANDS FILE SEARCH

A search of the Native American Heritage Commission's (NAHC's) Sacred Lands File (SLF) was requested on November 13, 2020. Sarah Fonseca, NAHC Cultural Resources Analyst, responded to this request in a letter received on November 24, 2020 with a "positive" result, indicating tribal resources are noted in the Project site vicinity. Ms. Fonseca identified nine Chumash tribal representatives as potentially having specific knowledge of heritage resources within the Chumash territory. A consultation letter was sent to each of the tribal representatives the NAHC identified on December 4, 2020, describing the proposed Project description, the CCIC results, and the intensive archaeological survey. A summary of this list of contacts and their responses is provided in Table 1 below; all responses were received by phone. Appendix C includes the NAHC search request letter, the NAHC's response, and an example of the correspondence letter with the identified individuals. All letters sent were identical, with only names and addresses changed (the letter sent to Eleanor Arrellanes is used in Appendix C as an example).

Wood's project archaeologist, Scott D. Sunell, discussed the findings and recommendations with the parties described in Table 1 below. Patrick Tumamait and Eleanor Arrellanes, representatives of the local Barbareño/Ventureño Band, both agreed with the findings of the report and requested notification in the event of future development and/or inadvertent discoveries. Representatives of SYBCI also agreed with the findings of the

archaeological report as presented and indicated that the "tribe does not oppose the lot line adjustment; however, tribe requests notice of any future development of the four resultant parcels and tribe reserves the right to address excavation and Native American cultural resources for each of the four parcels in the future."

Tribal Representative	Response	Follow-up Consultation	Response
Kenneth Kahn, Chairperson, SYBCI	Called on 12/10/20, no response; left a message requesting input from the Tribal Office	Called on 12/14/20, status of letter uncertain; follow-up from Kelsie Merrick on 12/15/20 indicated that counsel was reviewing the letter and would respond by 12/18/20; counsel requested a consultation meeting for 1/25/21	Remote meeting on 1/25/21, with Nakia Zavalla, Kelsie Merrick, and Sam Cohen; standard recommendations are acceptable, requested updates in the event of future ground disturbance, and monitoring in the event that discoveries are made during construction/grading
Julie Lynn Tumamait- Stenslie, Chairperson, Barbareño/Ventureño Band of Mission Indians	Called on 12/10/20, no response; left a message requesting input from Ms. Tumamait-Stenslie	Called on 12/14/20, left a message requesting input from Ms. Tumamait- Stenslie.	None
Eleanor Arrellanes, Barbareño/Ventureño Band of Mission Indians	Called on 12/10/20 to request input. Ms. Arrellanes suggested monitoring for any future ground disturbance due to the sensitivity of the area and agreed to the recommendations	None required	Standard recommendations are acceptable, requested updates in the event of future ground disturbance, and monitoring if discoveries are made
Patrick Tumamait, Barbareño/Ventureño Band of Mission Indians	Mr. Tumamait called Wood on 12/7/20 to suggest Native American monitoring of the parcels in the event of future ground disturbance	None required	Standard recommendations are acceptable, requested updates in the event of future ground disturbance, and monitoring if discoveries are made
Raudel Banuelos, Barbareño/Ventureño Band of Mission Indians	Called on 12/10/20, no response; left a message requesting input from Mr. Banuelos.	Called/texted on 12/14/20 to request input from Mr. Baneulos. No response.	None
Mark Vigil, Chief, San Luis Obispo County Chumash Council	Called on 12/10/20, but the number provided by the NAHC had been disconnected. No response	No option for followup	No option for followup
Julio Quair, Chairperson, Chumash Council of Bakersfield	Called on 12/10/20, no response or answering machine at the listed number. Sent an email to follow up, but the listed address was undeliverable. No response	No option for followup	No option for followup
Mariza Sullivan, Chairperson, Coastal Band of the Chumash Nation	Ms. Sullivan has received the letter and forwarded it to the Coastal Band's consultation committee for review.	Responded on 12/14/20, 1/4/21	Deferred consultation to Barbareño/Ventureño Band of Mission Indians
Fred Collins, Spokesperson, Northern Chumash Tribal Council	Called on 12/10/20, no response; left a message requesting input from Mr. Collins.	Responded on 12/14/20, discussed project over the phone	Deferred consultation to Barbareño/Ventureño Band of Mission Indians

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### 7.0 REFERENCES

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Cooley, T, & Santoro, L.

- 1995a *P-42-002699 Archaeological Site Record Update.* On file at the Central Coast Information Center, University of California, Santa Barbara.
- 1995b Phase I Cultural Resources Survey of a 10.98 Acre Parcel for the Proposed Montecito Fire District Headquarters. On file at the Central Coast Information Center, University of California, Santa Barbara.

Darcangelo and Mikesell

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- 2005a *P-42-003622 Archaeological Site Record Update.* On file at the Central Coast Information Center, University of California, Santa Barbara.
- 2005b *P-42-003785 Archaeological Site Record.* On file at the Central Coast Information Center, University of California, Santa Barbara.

Leftwich, B.

2017 *P-42-002699 Archaeological Site Record Update.* On file at the Central Coast Information Center, University of California, Santa Barbara.

Stone, D.

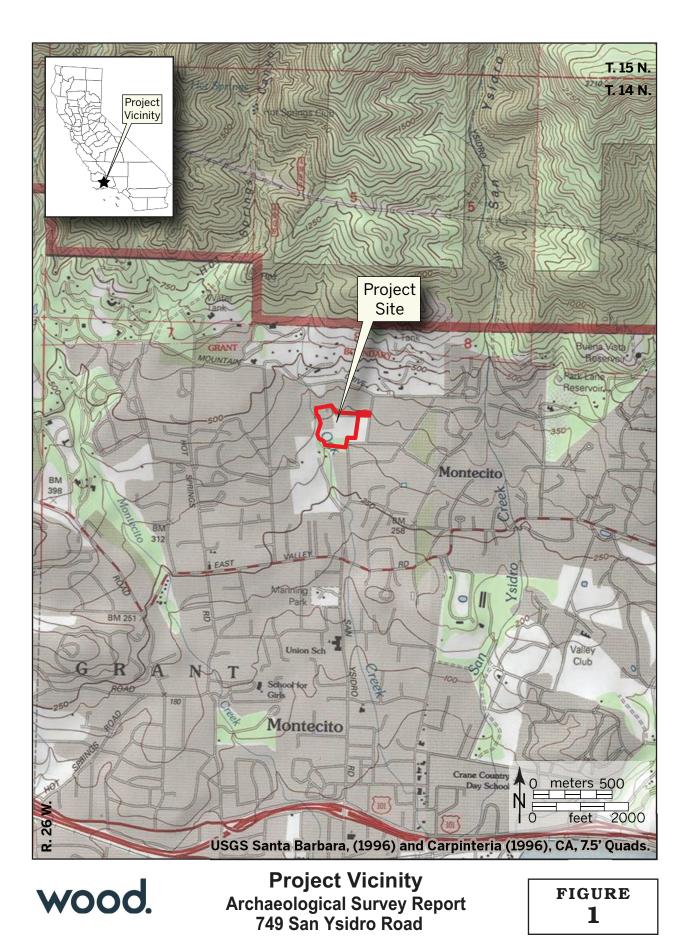
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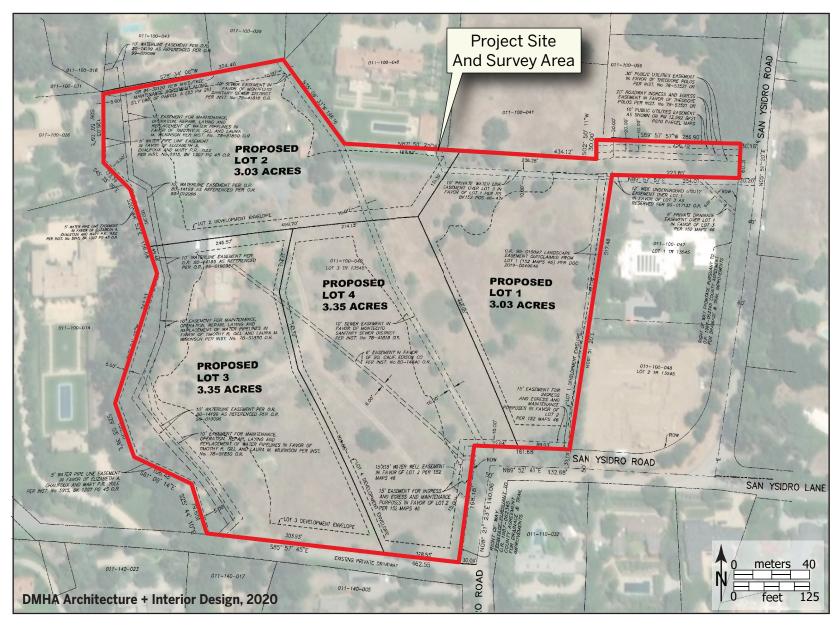
United States Department of Agriculture and Soil Conservation Service (USDA/SCS)

1974 Soil Survey of Santa Barbara County, CA, South Coastal Part.

Wilcoxon, L.

1977 An Archaeological Reconnaissance of Land Parcel No. 11-100-5 (The Stuart Whitman Property). On file at the Central Coast Information Center, University of California, Santa Barbara.





Site Plan Archaeological Survey Report 749 San Ysidro Road

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# **APPENDIX A**

# 749 San Ysidro Road Archaeological Survey Field Photos



Photo 1. Overview of Proposed Lot 4, looking south.



Photo 2. Overview of Proposed Lot 1, looking south.



Photo 3. Evidence of imported fill soils within Proposed Lot 4, looking southwest.



Photo 4. Evidence of imported fill soils within Proposed Lot 1, looking east.  $$\mathbf{2}$$ 



Photo 5. Overview of Proposed Lot 3, looking northwest.



Photo 6. Overview of Proposed Lot 3, looking south. 3



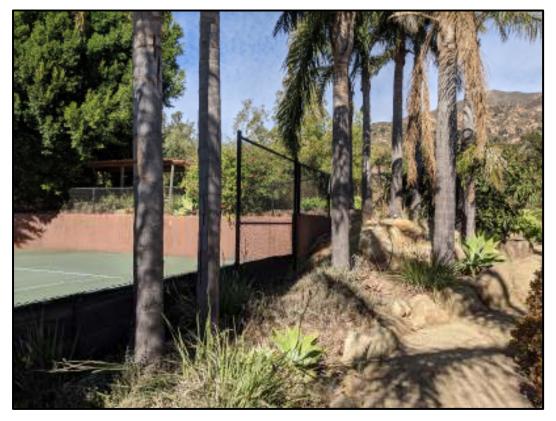
Photo 7. Overview of Proposed Lot 3, looking northwest.



Photo 8. Overview of Proposed Lot 3, looking north.



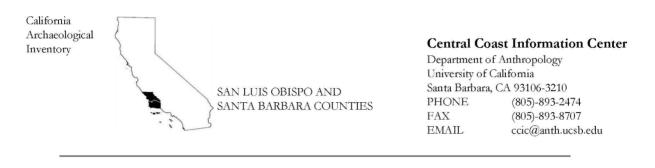
Photo 9. Overview of Proposed Lot 2, looking west.



**Photo 10.** Overview of Proposed Lot 2, looking north. 5

# **APPENDIX B**

## Central Coast Information Center Records and Literature Search Results



12/3/2020

Records Search #: 20-254

To Whom It May Concern:

On the above date, a record search was performed remotely on behalf of researcher Scott Sunell and firm Wood Environment and Infrastructure Solutions, Inc. for the 749 San Ysidro Road project in Santa Barbara County.

If you have any questions about this project, please contact me.

Sincerely,

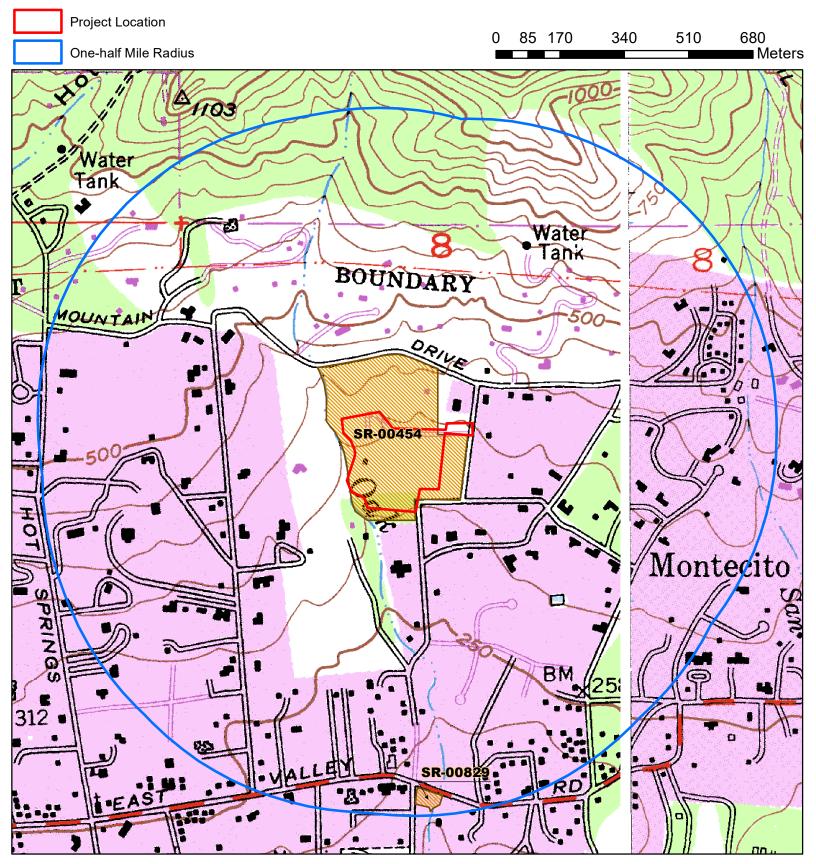
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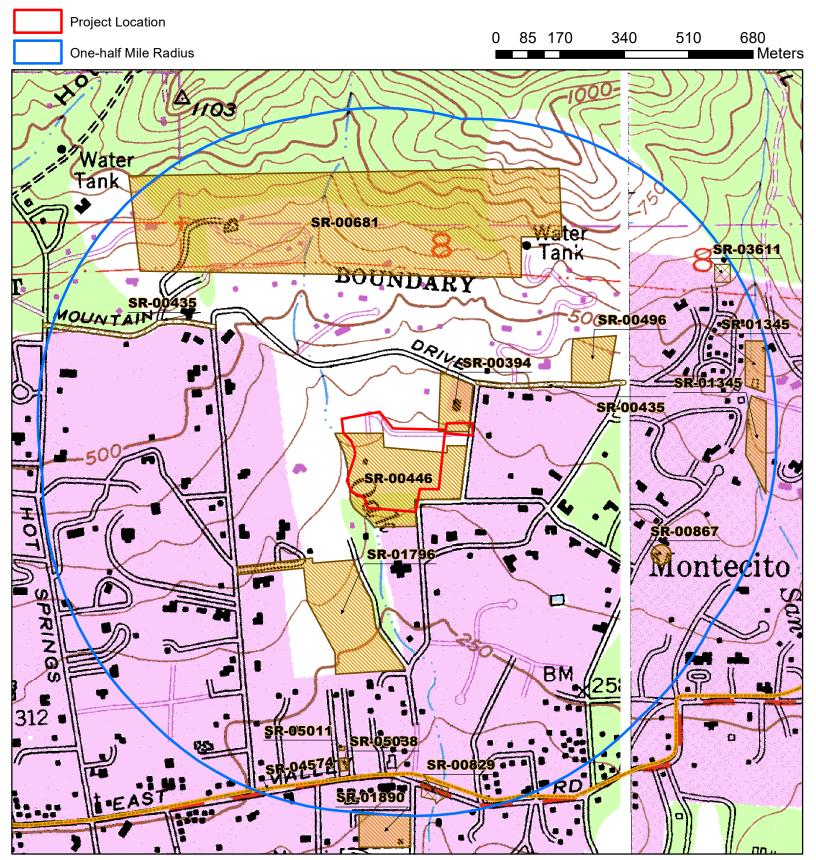
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## **Report List**

Report No.	Other IDs	Year	Author(s)	Title	Affiliation	Resources
SR-00394		1986	Berry, S.	Phase I Archaeological Assessment APN 11- 100-04.	None given	
SR-00435		1976	Perez, M.	Archaeological reconnaissance of six areas to be affected by installation of water mains in the Montecito County Water District.		
SR-00446		1984	Stone, D.	Phase I Archaeological Assessment, APN 11- 100-23.		
SR-00454		1977	Wilcoxon, L.	An Archaeological Reconnaissance of Land Parcel No. 11-100-5 (The Stuart Whitman Property).		
SR-00496		1987	Brooks, S.	Letter Report: Report of Phase I Archaeological Investigation of Property at 1590 East Mountain Drive, Montecito, CA		
SR-00681		1987	Brooks, S.	Oak Creek Canyon Ranch Archaeological Survey		
SR-00829		1990	PHR Associates	Phase II historic resource investigation, 1505 East Valley Road, Montecito, CA.		
SR-00867		1990	Cultural Resource Management Services	Phase 1 cultural resources investigation, 690 El Bosque Road, APN 7-120-29		
SR-01345		1992	Gibson, R.	Results of Phase One Archaeological Surface Survey for Two Parcels on the San Ysidro Ranch, Santa Barbara County, CA		
SR-01796		1995	Santoro, L.	Phase 1.5 Archaeological Investigation of APN 11-140-34 Santa Barbara, California		42-002699
SR-01890		1996	Science Applications International Corp.	Phase 1 Culutural Resources Investigation Juarez-Hosmer Adobe Site		
SR-03611		2006	Carbone, Larry A.	Phase 1 Archaeological Resources Evaluation for Proposed Phase IV Development at the San Ysidro Ranch Property, Montecito Area, County of Santa Barbara, California.	Western Points Archaeology	

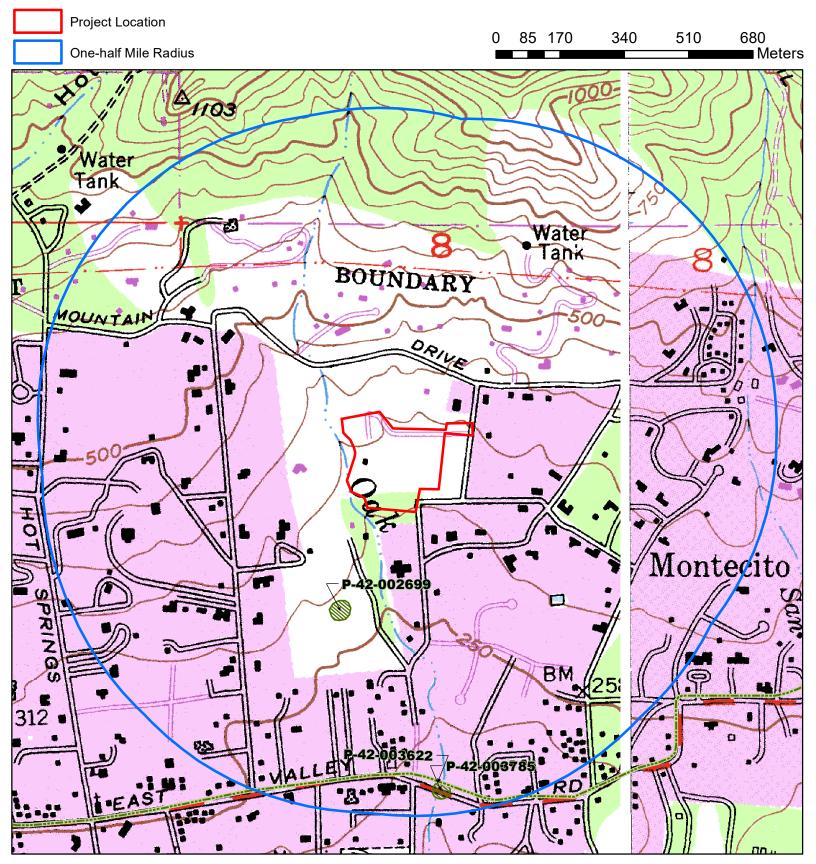
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SR-04574		2006	Wee, Stephen and Larson, Bryan	Historical Resources Evlauation Report: Masonry Features within State Right-of-Way Along State Route 192, Santa Barbara County, California	JRP Historical Consulting	42-003622, 42-003755, 42-003756, 42-003757, 42-003758, 42-003759, 42-003760, 42-003761, 42-003762, 42-003763, 42-003764, 42-003765, 42-003766, 42-003767, 42-003776, 42-003769, 42-003770, 42-003771, 42-003772, 42-003774, 42-003775, 42-003779, 42-003780, 42-003781, 42-003782, 42-003783, 42-003784, 42-003785, 42-003786, 42-003787, 42-003788, 42-003789, 42-003790, 42-003791, 42-003792, 42-003796, 42-003794, 42-003795, 42-003799, 42-003797, 42-003798, 42-003799, 42-003790, 42-003801, 42-003799,
SR-05011		2013	Perez, Don	Cultural Resources Survey - Montecito Relo- Alt 2/ Ensite #14732 (255706) 512 Santa Angela Lane, Montecito, Santa Barbara County, CA, 93108 Unsectioned Portion of T4N R25W	EBI Consulting	
SR-05011a		2013	C. Roland-Nawi	Reply in Reference to FCC_2013-0820_002 From SHPO	OHP	
SR-05038		2012	Loftus, Shannon	AT&T Site VN0065 (85376) Verizon Switch 521 Santa Angela Lane, Santa Barbara, Santa Barbara County, California 93108	Ace environmental	

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## **Resource List**

Primary No.	Trinomial	Other IDs	Туре	Age	Attribute codes	Recorded by	Reports
P-42-002699	CA-SBA-002699	Agency Nbr - WESTEC-Montecito +1	Site	Prehistoric	AP04	1995 (T. Cooley, L. Santoro, ISERA GROUP INC, 5370 Hollister Ave #5, Santa Barbara, CA 93111); 2017 (Brent Leftwich, Leftwich Archaeology)	SR-01796
P-42-003622	CA-SBA-003622H	Resource Name - OS-192, MS- 192; Other - Highway 192	Site	Historic	HP11; HP19; HP37	1999 (M. Darcangelo, S. Mikesell, Far Western); 2005 (B. Larson, A. Walters, A. Rischel, JRP Historical Consulting)	SR-04283, SR- 04574, SR-05641
P-42-003785	CA-SBA-003785H	Other - JRP-16; Other - State Route 192	Site	Historic	HP11	2005 (B. Larson, A. Walters, A. Rischel, JRP Historical Consulting)	SR-04574

# **APPENDIX C**

Native American Heritage Commission Sacred Lands File Search Results

## Sacred Lands File & Native American Contacts List Request

NATIVE AMERICAN HERITAGE COMMISSION

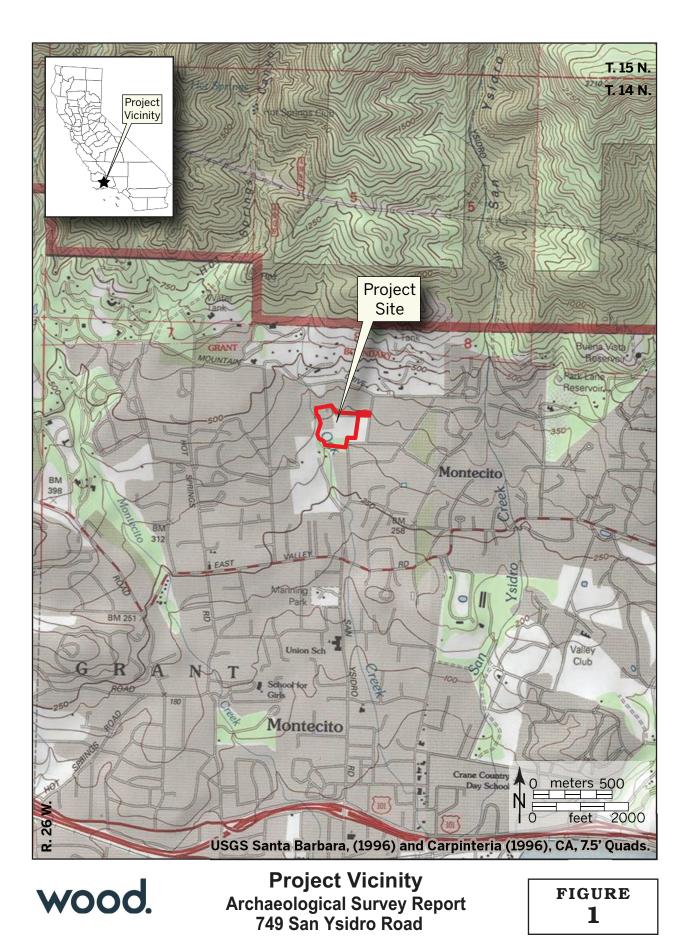
1550 Harbor Blvd, Suite 100 West Sacramento, CA 95501 (916) 373-3710 (916) 373-5471 – Fax <u>nahc@nahc.ca.gov</u>

## Information Below is Required for a Sacred Lands File Search

Project:						
County:						
USGS Quadrangle						
Name:						
Township:	Range:	Section(s):				
Company/Firm/Agenc	Company/Firm/Agency:					
Contact Person:						
Street Address:						
City:		Zip:				
Phone:	Extension:					
Fax:						
Email:						

Project Description:

Project Location Map is attached



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## NATIVE AMERICAN HERITAGE COMMISSION

November 24, 2020

Lucas Nichols, Archaeologist Wood Environmental & Infrastructure Solutions, Inc.

Via Email to: lucas.nichols@woodplc.com

#### Re: 749 San Ysidro Road Project, Santa Barbara County

Dear Mr. Nichols:

A record search of the Native American Heritage Commission (NAHC) Sacred Lands File (SLF) was completed for the information you have submitted for the above referenced project. The results were <u>positive</u>. Please contact the tribes on the attached list for more information. Other sources of cultural resources should also be contacted for information regarding known and recorded sites.

Attached is a list of Native American tribes who may also have knowledge of cultural resources in the project area. This list should provide a starting place in locating areas of potential adverse impact within the proposed project area. I suggest you contact all of those indicated; if they cannot supply information, they might recommend others with specific knowledge. By contacting all those listed, your organization will be better able to respond to claims of failure to consult with the appropriate tribe. If a response has not been received within two weeks of notification, the Commission requests that you follow-up with a telephone call or email to ensure that the project information has been received.

If you receive notification of change of addresses and phone numbers from tribes, please notify me. With your assistance, we can assure that our lists contain current information.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact me at my email address: <u>Sarah.Fonseca@nahc.ca.gov</u>.

Sincerely,

Sarah Fonseca Cultural Resources Analyst

Attachment

#### Native American Heritage Commission Native American Contact List Santa Barbara County 11/24/2020

#### Barbareno/ Ventureno Band of Mission Indians

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December 4, 2020

Ms. Eleanor Arrellanes Barbareño/Ventureño Band of Mission Indians P.O. Box 5687 Ventura, CA 93005

#### RE: Phase 1 Archaeological Resources Investigation 749 San Ysidro Road Montecito Area, Santa Barbara County, CA

Dear Ms. Arrellanes:

Wood Environment & Infrastructure Solutions, Inc. (Wood) is preparing an Archaeological Resources Investigation for proposed improvements at 749 San Ysidro Road, Santa Barbara County, CA (see Attachment 1 for a map of the Project vicinity), in compliance with Santa Barbara County Cultural Resources Guidelines (revised February 2018). A Vesting Tentative Tract Map and Montecito Growth Management Ordinance (MGMO) Point Assignments are proposed that will result in the division of the 12.768-acre parcel into four residentially developable lots (Attachment 2).

Wood's project archaeologist submitted records search requests through the Native American Heritage Commission (NAHC) Sacred Lands File (SLF) and the Central Coast Information Center (CCIC), at the University of California, Santa Barbara, covering the Project site and a 0.5-mile buffer. Following these requests, an intensive pedestrian ground surface survey of the entire parcel was conducted on November 11, 2020.

The CCIC results indicate that the Project site was previously surveyed in 1977 (Wilcoxon 1977) and no archaeological resources were identified. The pedestrian survey conducted by Wood's project archaeologist likewise identified no archaeological resources within the Project site. The NAHC, however, indicated that the Project site was "Positive" for Chumash heritage resources. Pages 2 and 3 describe these results in detail.

Your name was included in the list provided to Wood by the NAHC. We invite you to communicate any comments or concerns regarding the results of this investigation. Please contact Scott D. Sunell at (805) 252-4269 or scott.sunell@woodplc.com.

Sincerely,

me.

Scott D. Sunell, PhD, RPA Senior Archaeologist, Wood Environment & Infrastructure Solutions, Inc. 104 W. Anapamu Street, Suite 204A Santa Barbara, CA 93101





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#### **Existing Setting**

The Project site is located on a gentle, southern facing slope of the foothills of the Santa Ynez mountains. Oak Creek is located on the western periphery of the Project site and runs north to south. Two existing structures, a single-family residence and a guest house, are present on the northwestern portion of the Project site. An unnamed seasonal drainage runs, also north to south, in the central portion of the property.

Historic aerial photographs of the Project site indicate that in 1948 the entire project site was all orchard with four existing structures. Two of these structures appear to be the existing single-family residence and the guest house. In a 1965 aerial photograph the orchards had been removed, and only the single-family residence and guest house remain. The property was surveyed in 1977 by L. Wilcoxon, using 6-m parallel transects, visiting natural and artificial exposures (e.g. rodent tailings and road cuts), and disturbing soil to a depth of 8 centimeters below the surface with a hand mattock. The project site was then in use as a horse pasture, with little vegetative cover, and visibility was excellent. No archaeological resources were found at that time (Wilcoxon 1977).

In 1998 an Emergency Permit (Land Use Permit 98-EMP-019) was issued (Case Number 98-LUS-484 MO) for the stockpiling of 3,000 cubic yards of fill soils following the El Niño winter of 1998. The fill soil is a result of the Army Corps of Engineers and the County Public Works Department clearing out drainage basins from the El Niño winter. An additional 2,048 cubic yards of fill was deposited in 1999. This resulted in the partial coverage of the southern portion of the site with imported fill.

#### **Records Search Results**

The CCIC records search identified all recorded archaeological sites and previous cultural resource surveys of the proposed Project site and those within a 0.5-mile buffer. Three previous investigations have been conducted within a 0.5-mi radius of the proposed Project site. One previous investigation evaluated the Project site directly; no archaeological resources were identified (Wilcoxon 1977). Three archaeological resources are known within the 0.5-mi buffer, however.

A search of the Native American Heritage Commission's (NAHC's) Sacred Lands File was requested on November 13, 2020. Sarah Fonseca, NAHC Cultural Resources Analyst, responded to this request in a letter received on November 24, 2020. The SLF search response was "positive," indicating tribal cultural resources are noted in the general vicinity of the Project site (Attachment 3).

#### Fieldwork





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An intensive ground surface survey conducted on November 11, 2020 was completed in transects spaced at 15-meter (49foot) intervals. Ground surfaces were partially covered by annual grasses, landscaping, and wood chips, resulting in fair to complete (30 to 100 percent) ground surface visibility. Significant past ground disturbance, including a tennis court and landscaping, was observed. Rodent burrow tailings (up to 4 burrows per square meter) afforded examination of subsurface soils. Soils observed included a brown sandy loam, consistent with soils described within the Project site (USDA/SCS 1972). Photos of the Project site are attached (Attachment 4).

#### **Results and Conclusions**

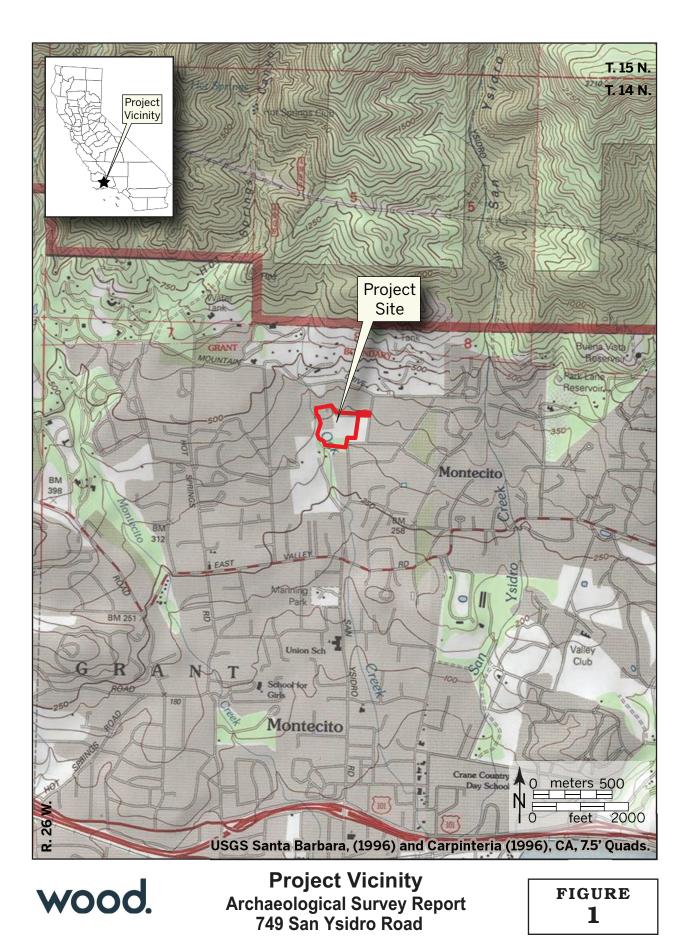
No previously unrecorded prehistoric or historic-period resources were identified during the current intensive ground survey. The intensive Phase 1 survey of the Project site provided a reliable evaluation of the absence of prehistoric and historic-period archaeological resources on the ground surface as well as throughout the A Horizon topsoil. Ground surface visibility was complemented by the inspection of rodent burrow tailings that exposed subsurface deposits. Though recent imported fill covered the southern portion of the project site and therefore blocked a complete investigation of the original land surface, previous pedestrian survey provided complete coverage of this area (Wilcoxon 1977). Therefore, no Extended Phase 1 archaeological excavations are necessary to supplement the results of the current intensive Phase 1 survey to identify resources below the imported fill soils.

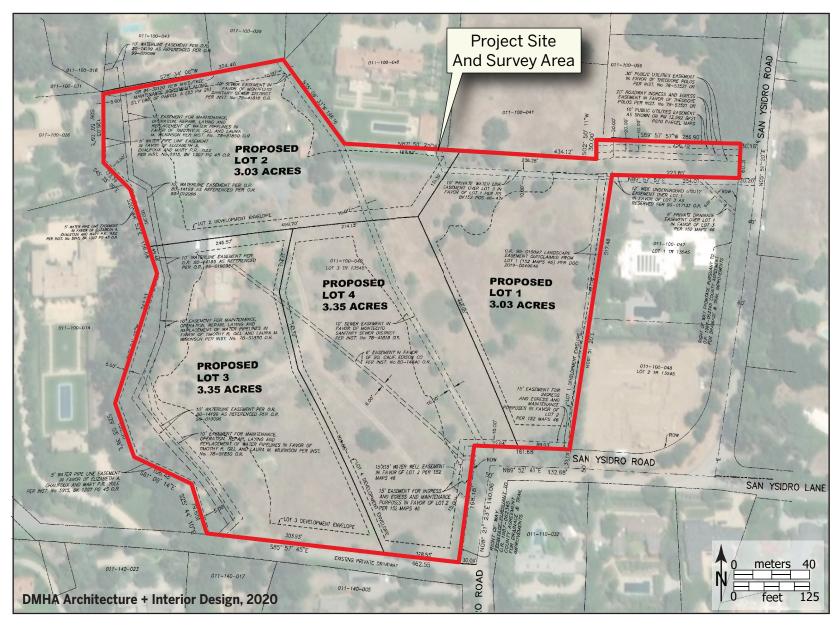
#### References

#### Wilcoxon, Larry R.

- 1977 An Archaeological Reconnaissance of Land Parcel No. 11-100-5 (The Stuart Whitman Property). Submitted to Santa Barbara County Office of Environmental Quality, Santa Barbara, California. On file at the Central Coast Information Center, University of California, Santa Barbara.
- Attachments: 1: Figure 1 Project Vicinity
  - 2: Figure 3 Project Site
    3: NAHC Sacred Lands File Search Correspondence
    4: Project Photos







Site Plan Archaeological Survey Report 749 San Ysidro Road

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November 24, 2020

Lucas Nichols, Archaeologist Wood Environmental & Infrastructure Solutions, Inc.

Via Email to: lucas.nichols@woodplc.com

#### Re: 749 San Ysidro Road Project, Santa Barbara County

Dear Mr. Nichols:

A record search of the Native American Heritage Commission (NAHC) Sacred Lands File (SLF) was completed for the information you have submitted for the above referenced project. The results were <u>positive</u>. Please contact the tribes on the attached list for more information. Other sources of cultural resources should also be contacted for information regarding known and recorded sites.

Attached is a list of Native American tribes who may also have knowledge of cultural resources in the project area. This list should provide a starting place in locating areas of potential adverse impact within the proposed project area. I suggest you contact all of those indicated; if they cannot supply information, they might recommend others with specific knowledge. By contacting all those listed, your organization will be better able to respond to claims of failure to consult with the appropriate tribe. If a response has not been received within two weeks of notification, the Commission requests that you follow-up with a telephone call or email to ensure that the project information has been received.

If you receive notification of change of addresses and phone numbers from tribes, please notify me. With your assistance, we can assure that our lists contain current information.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact me at my email address: <u>Sarah.Fonseca@nahc.ca.gov</u>.

Sincerely,

Sarah Fonseca Cultural Resources Analyst

Attachment

Gavin Newsom, Governor

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Photo 1. Overview of Proposed Lot 4, looking south.



Photo 2. Overview of Proposed Lot 1, looking south.



Photo 3. Evidence of imported fill soils within Proposed Lot 4, looking southwest.



Photo 4. Evidence of imported fill soils within Proposed Lot 1, looking east.  $$\mathbf{2}$$ 



Photo 5. Overview of Proposed Lot 3, looking northwest.



Photo 6. Overview of Proposed Lot 3, looking south. 3



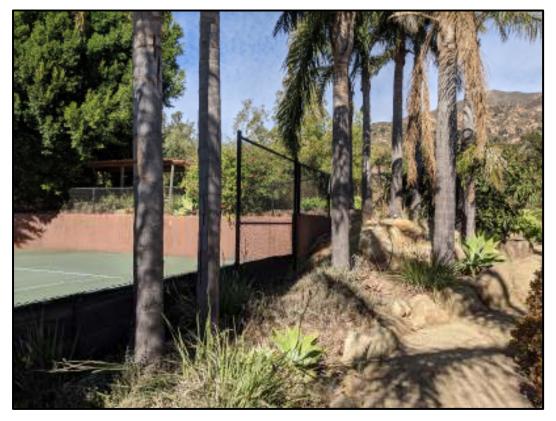
Photo 7. Overview of Proposed Lot 3, looking northwest.



Photo 8. Overview of Proposed Lot 3, looking north.



Photo 9. Overview of Proposed Lot 2, looking west.



**Photo 10.** Overview of Proposed Lot 2, looking north. 5