### ATTACHMENT 5: PLANNING COMMISSION STAFF REPORT DATED SEPTEMBER 21, 2017

#### SANTA BARBARA COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION Staff Report for Halsell Rezone and Tentative Tract Map

Hearing Date: October 11, 2017 Staff Report Date: September 21, 2017 Case Nos.: 15RZN-00000-00004, 15TRM-00000-00011 (TRM 14,819) Environmental Document:17NGD-00000-00009 Deputy Director: Jeff Wilson Division: Development Review Supervising Planner: Alex Tuttle Supervising Planner Phone #: 884-6844 Staff Contact: Joyce Gerber Staff Contact Phone #: 568-3518

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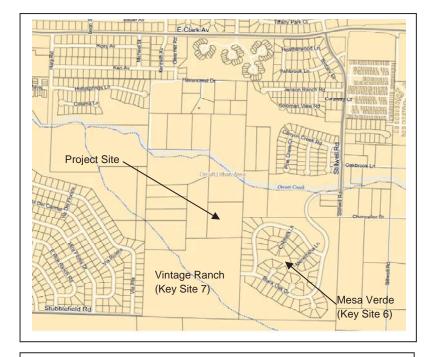
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Application Complete: Processing Deadline:



This site is identified as Assessor Parcel Number 103-200-065, located approximately 0.5 miles south of East Clark Avenue between U.S. Highway 101 and State Route 135, at the southern terminus of Deer Hollow Lane in the Orcutt Community Plan Area, Fourth Supervisorial District.

November 23, 2016 60 days from adoption of MND

#### 1.0 REQUEST

Hearing on the request of David Swenk, agent for Joe Halsell, owner, to consider the following:

- a) Case No. 15RZN-00000-00011 [application filed on September 30, 2015] proposing to amend the County Zoning Map in compliance with Section 35.104 of the Land Use and Development Code (LUDC) to rezone 5.74 gross acres from 2-E-1 (residential, two-acre minimum parcel size) to 1-E-1 (residential, one-acre minimum parcel size) consistent with the provisions of Orcutt Community Plan Policy KSB-1; and
- b) Case No. 15TRM-00000-00004/TM 14,819 [application filed on September 30, 2015] for approval of a Tentative Tract Map in compliance with County Code Chapter 21 to subdivide 5.74 gross acres into 5 lots of 1.41 gross acres (Lot 1), 1.11 gross acres (Lot 2), 1.03 gross acres (Lot 3), 1.10 gross acres (Lot 4), and 1.09 gross acres (Lot 5) on property being rezoned from 2-E-1 to 1-E-1;

and to adopt the Mitigated Negative Declaration (17NGD-00000-00009) pursuant to the State Guidelines for Implementation of the California Environmental Quality Act. As a result of this project, significant but mitigable effects on the environment are anticipated in the following categories: Aesthetic/Visual Resources, Air Quality, Biological Resources, Geologic Processes, Land Use, Noise, Public Facilities, and Water Resources / Flooding.

The MND and all documents may be reviewed at the Planning and Development Department, 123 E. Anapamu Street, Santa Barbara, and 624 West Foster Road, Suite C, Santa Maria. The ND is also available for review at the Orcutt Branch Library, 175 Broadway St, Orcutt, and online at: <u>http://sbcountyplanning.org/environmental/active.cfm</u>.

The application involves Assessor Parcel No. 103-200-065, located at the southern terminus of Deer Hollow Lane, in the Orcutt area, Fourth Supervisorial District.

## 2.0 RECOMMENDATION AND PROCEDURES

Follow the procedures outlined below and recommend that the Board of Supervisors approve Case Nos. 15RZN-00000-00011 and 15TRM-00000-00004, marked "Officially Accepted, County of Santa Barbara (October 11, 2017) County Planning Commission Attachments A-E", based upon the project's consistency with the Comprehensive Plan, including the Orcutt Community Plan, and based on the ability to make the required findings. Your Commission's motion should include the following:

- 1. Recommend that the Board of Supervisors make the required findings for approval of the project, Case Nos. 15RZN-00000-00011 and 15TRM-00000-00004, as specified in Attachment A of this staff report dated September 21, 2017, including CEQA findings;
- 2. Recommend that the Board of Supervisors adopt the Negative Declaration, 17NGD-00000-00009 (included as Attachment C of the staff report dated September 21, 2017), and adopt the mitigation monitoring program contained in the conditions of approval for Case No. 15TRM-00000-00004 (Attachment B);
- Adopt the resolution in Attachment D recommending that the Board of Supervisors approve a rezone (15RZN-00000-00011) changing the zone district on APN 103-200-065 from 2-E-1 to 1-E-1 (draft Ordinance included in Attachment D of this staff report dated September 21, 2017); and
- 4. Recommend that the Board of Supervisors approve Case No. 15TRM-00000-00004, subject to the conditions included as Attachment B of this staff report dated September 21, 2017;

Refer back to staff if the County Planning Commission takes other than the recommended action for appropriate findings and conditions.

## 3.0 JURISDICTION

This project is being considered by the County Planning Commission for a recommendation to the Board of Supervisors based on the following:

- 1. Land Use and Development Code (LUDC) §35-104 identifies the procedures for approving Amendments, including Amendments to the Comprehensive Plan (GPA cases) and amendments to County Zoning Map (RZN cases). The procedures require the Planning Commission to review the requests at a public hearing and to send their recommendation in a resolution to the Board of Supervisors for final action.
- 2. County Code Chapter 21-6 states that the Board of Supervisors shall be the decisionmaker for all tentative maps which are companion to other discretionary cases under their jurisdiction.
- 3. LUDC §35-80.20.B.1 requires that when two or more discretionary applications are under the jurisdiction of more than one review authority, all project applications shall be under the review authority with the highest jurisdiction. In this case, the highest jurisdiction is the Board of Supervisors due to the rezone application. When the Board of

Supervisors is the review authority for a project, the Commission shall make an advisory recommendation to the Board of Supervisors on each project.

#### 4.0 ISSUE SUMMARY

**Rezone and Map.** The subject parcel, APN 103-200-065, is part of Orcutt Community Plan (OCP) Key Site B and is currently zoned 2-E-1 (Residential, two-acre minimum parcel size). OCP Policy KSB-1 directs the County to "consider re-designating / rezoning parcel 103-200-65 to Residential /1-E-1 (one-acre minimum parcel size) if access to all new development on this parcel is provided from the south (on Key Site 7)." Further, OCP Development Standard KSB-4 states, "If feasible, access to the southern portion of this site shall be coordinated with/provided through Key Site 7." Consistent with this direction, the proposed project would rezone the parcel to 1-E-1 and subdivide the 5.74 gross/5.48 net-acre lot into five lots of over one net acre, with access provided from the south on Key Site 7 via a proposed extension of a private drive approved with the Vintage Ranch subdivision (Case Nos. 15DVP-00000-00002 and 15TRM-00000-00002).

**Timing of Infrastructure Improvements.** Key Site 7, the Vintage Ranch subdivision, was previously approved on January 11, 2017 but development of Vintage Ranch has not yet commenced. As the proposed Halsell Tract Map project would connect to a sewer lift station within, and take access through, Vintage Ranch, the proposed project is conditioned to require the applicant to complete the required sewer and driveway improvements concurrent with the first residential development, if they are not yet in place at that time. Easements for public utilities are already in place within Vintage Ranch. Finalization of the access easement over a portion of Vintage Ranch in favor of the Halsell Tract Map is required prior to the Board of Supervisors' decision on the current project. Additionally, the nearest regional drainage basin was not designed to accommodate flows from Key Site B. The proposed project includes an onsite retention basin that would receive flows from all five parcels, which is also conditioned to be constructed concurrently with the first residential development.

**Sensitive Habitat.** The project site has been extensively disturbed by disking and grazing over the past 20 years, and the coastal scrub habitat identified in the OCP EIR no longer exists on-site. The project has been conditioned to protect any existing native oaks and specimen trees, and to require pre-construction nesting bird and rare plant surveys.

# 5.0 **PROJECT INFORMATION**

#### 5.1 Site Information

Site Information		
Comprehensive Plan	Urban, RES-1.0, Orcutt Community Plan Area	
Designation		
Zoning District,	Land Use & Development Code, 2-E-1, 2-acre minimum lot size,	
Ordinance	Orcutt Commun	nity Plan Key Site B
Site Size	5.74 (gross) / 5.48 (net) acres	
Present Use &	Vacant / Undeveloped	
Development		
Surrounding Uses/Zoning	North: Residential Development, 2-E-1	
	South: Planned Residential Development, PRD	
	East: Residential Development, 2-E-1, PRD	
	West: Residential Development, 1-E-1	
Access	New private cul-de-sac accessed from Black Oak Drive and Claret	
	Lane (to be extended through Vintage Ranch) via Stillwell Road	
Public Services	Water Supply:	Golden State Water Company
	Sewage:	Laguna Sanitation via proposed new sewer lines
	Fire:	Santa Barbara County Fire Station no. 22, 1596
		Tiffany Park Court
	Police:	Santa Barbara County Sheriff
	Schools :	Orcutt and Santa Maria Union School Districts

#### 5.2 Setting

**Location:** The 5.74- acre project site is located in the southeastern portion of the Orcutt community in unincorporated Santa Barbara County. The property is located approximately 0.5 miles south of East Clark Avenue, between U.S. Highway 101 and State Route 135, at the southern terminus of Deer Hollow Lane, Orcutt, and is known as Key Site B of the Orcutt Community Plan.

**Environmental Characteristics:** The subject parcel is undeveloped. It is located in a semi-rural area of southeast Orcutt, surrounded by low-density residential development to the north and west. The Mesa Verde and Vintage Ranch residential subdivision projects are located to the east and south, respectively. Vintage Ranch is approved but not yet constructed. Access to the site would be provided off of Black Oak Drive and Claret Lane from the south, through Key Site 7 (Vintage Ranch). Topographically, the site slopes gently from approximately 570 feet above mean sea level (msl) in the southeast corner, to approximately 550 feet above msl in the northwest corner, towards

a steep gulley in the northwest corner of proposed Parcel 1. The habitat value of the site has deteriorated in the years since adoption of the Orcutt Community Plan, as grazing and disking has occurred on the site and the project area is covered primarily with disturbed non-native annual grassland and groves of nonnative trees. Eight coast live oaks, eucalyptus (both individually and in groves), and individual Monterey pine trees are currently present on site. The parcel does not contain prime soil or important farmland. There are no surface water bodies on the subject parcel. Two tributaries of Orcutt Creek are located approximately 275 feet northeast, and 800 feet southwest, of the parcel boundaries. The head of a large gully, an erosional feature with steep walls of crumbling soil, debris, and fallen vegetation, is present in the northwest corner of the parcel.

## 5.3 Description

The project is a request of David Swenk, agent for Joe Halsell, owner, for the following:

**Rezone.** A rezone from 2-E-1 to 1-E-1 consistent with the provisions of Orcutt Community Plan Policy KSB-1.

**Tract Map.** ATentative Tract Map to subdivide the 5.74 gross/5.48 net-acre lot into 5 lots of 1.41 acres gross/1.36 acres net (Lot 1), 1.11 acres gross/1.10 acres net (Lot 2), 1.03 acres gross/1.00 acre net (Lot 3), 1.10 acres gross/1.02 acres net (Lot 4), and 1.09 acres gross/1.00 acre net (Lot 5) on property zoned 1-E-1.

**Grading and Drainage**: Grading for the proposed private access driveway and retention basin would be approximately 9,310 cubic yards of cut and 988 cubic yards of fill. Stormwater run-off from the access driveway and turnaround would be collected by a bioretention system and conveyed by a storm drain to a retention basin at the north side of Lots 1 and 2. Stormwater runoff from the five proposed lots would be conveyed overland to the retention basin.

**Access:** The five single family lots would be accessed from a new 36-foot-wide extension of a private drive (Claret Lane) that would connect to Black Oak Drive via a private access easement across APN 101-400-007 and terminate in a cul-de-sac from which individual driveways would access the five lots. The portion of the private drive located within the subdivision would be maintained via a recorded road maintenance agreement encumbering the owner of each parcel.

**Utilities and Service**: Water would be provided by Golden State Water Company via the purchase of 3.92 acre-feet of supplemental water from the City of Santa Maria. Sewer services would be provided by Laguna County Sanitation District via proposed new sewer lines. Electrical service would be provided by PG&E, gas service by SOCAL Gas, telephone by Verizon, and digital services by Comcast.

No residential development is proposed with this application.

## 5.4 Background Information

The project site is located within the unincorporated community of Orcutt. The County Board of Supervisors adopted the Orcutt Community Plan (Plan) in 1997 and subsequent amendments in 2009, 2011, and 2012. The Orcutt Community Plan (OCP) area contains forty-five "key sites" which were identified during the formulation of the draft Community Plan. The subject parcel is one of 23 lots totaling 78.79 acres and collectively known in the Plan as Key Site B.

The Statement of Overriding Considerations made as part of the OCP adoption proceedings provides a fundamental component of the OCP. Particularly as they pertain to traffic congestion and air pollution, the adverse impacts of increased development on the community were deemed to be offset by the beneficial aspects of the plan. Additionally, site specific mitigation measures for regional Class I impacts were incorporated as Key Site policies or development standards. To that end, all applicable policies and development standards of the OCP have been applied to the project.

### 6.0 PROJECT ANALYSIS

#### 6.1 Environmental Review

#### 6.1.1 OCP EIR

Prior to the adoption of the Orcutt Community Plan (OCP), the County prepared, considered, and certified the Orcutt Community Plan Environmental Impact Report (OCP EIR) (95-EIR-01, certified 7/22/97). The OCP EIR found that even after application of mitigation measures, implementation of the OCP would have unavoidable significant residual environmental impacts to Land Use, Biology, Agriculture, Geology, Flooding, Water Supply, Archaeology, Traffic, Air Quality, Risk of Upset, Police, Solid Waste, Library Services, Visual/Aesthetics, Parks/Trails/Recreation, Schools, and Noise; a Statement of Overriding Considerations was adopted.

The Orcutt Planning Area contains forty-five "key sites" that were identified during the formulation of the draft Community Plan. Generally, the key sites were larger than three acres and were un- or under-developed. More detailed analysis was conducted for key sites where owners contributed financially to the preparation of the EIR, and focused EIRs were written for seven using this information. The additional environmental review increased the information available for Community Plan decision-making, and decreased the level of environmental review likely to be necessary in the future, when actual development of such key sites was proposed.

For key sites such as Key Site B that did not receive expanded review, the level of review in the OCP EIR was limited to the identification of environmental constraints and development standards for issues that promoted needed public benefits such as parks and open space. The OCP EIR specified that future development on these parcels would require additional CEQA review to analyze potential site-specific issues not addressed in the OCP EIR. As a result, a Mitigated Negative Declaration was prepared for the proposed project due to the lack of site-specific review under the OCP EIR.

#### 6.1.2 Key Site B Mitigated Negative Declaration

A Draft Mitigated Negative Declaration (Draft MND, 17NGD-00000-00009) was prepared for the proposed project (see Attachment C) pursuant to Section 15070 of the State Guidelines for the implementation of the California Environmental Quality Act and the County of Santa Barbara Environmental Guidelines. Please refer to the Proposed Final Mitigated Negative Declaration for a full discussion of all environmental issues, including the existing setting, potential project impacts, and required mitigation to reduce these identified impacts.

Mitigation measures required to reduce potentially significant impacts on Aesthetic/Visual Resources, Air Quality, Biological Resources, Geologic Processes, Land Use, Noise, Public Facilities, and Water Resources / Flooding were accepted by the applicant on July 3, 2017 and are included in the recommended conditions of approval (Attachment B). The Draft MND was circulated for a 30-day public review period from July 5 to August 7, 2017.

A single comment letter, dated August 9, 2017, was received from the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW). In response, the MND was revised to include additional information regarding consultation with the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) for California Tiger Salamander (CTS), as well as additional information regarding three rare plant species and their potential to occur on-site.

The cultural resources section of the Draft MND (Section 4.5) was also modified to address tribal cultural resources and summarize the results of tribal consultation, pursuant to the requirements of AB 52.

#### 6.2 Comprehensive Plan Consistency

The following Comprehensive Plan Consistency analysis organizes the applicable Orcutt Community Plan policies with the general policies of the Comprehensive Plan by issue area in order to reduce redundancy.

REQUIREMENT	DISCUSSION
Comprehensive Plan Land Use Element	<b>Consistent:</b> The proposed project would
Designation: Residential	rezone the subject 5.74 (gross) / 5.48 (net) -
	acre parcel (APN 103-200-065) from 2-E-1,
Zoning: 2-E-1, Land Use & Development	2-acre minimum lot size, to 1-E-1, 1-acre
Code (LUDC)	minimum lot size and access would be taken
	through Key Site 7, consistent with Policy
Orcutt Community Plan – Key Site B	KSB-1 and Development Standard KSB-4.
Development Standards:	Therefore, the proposed project is consistent
	with the Key Site B land use element
Policy KSB-1: Key Site B is designated Res	designation and the policy and development
1.0 and zoned 1-E-1 on APNs 103-200-20, -56,	standard.
-79, -80, -84, ·85, -88, -89, -90 and -91; Res.	
1.0 and zoned 2-E·1 on APNs 103-200-56, 57,	
-58, -59, -60, -64, -65, and -74; and designated	
<i>Res.</i> 0.3 and zoned 3-E-1 on APNs 103-200-48,	
-52, -55, -86, and -87. The County shall	
consider re-designating / rezoning parcel 103-	
200-65 to Res. /1-E-1 if access to all new	
development on this parcel is provided from	
the south (on Key Site 7). Any proposed	
development on Key Site B shall comply with	
the following development standards.	
DevStd KSB-4: If feasible, access to the	
southern portion of this site shall be	
coordinated with/provided through Key Site 7.	
<u>Comprehensive Plan Land Use Element –</u>	<b>Consistent:</b> The proposed project is located
Comprenensive 1 un Lana Ose Element –	within the urban boundary line of Orcutt.
Land Use Development Policy 4	Adequate fire and police protection, ingress
Prior to issuance of a use permit, the County	and egress, public school capacity, landfill
shall make the finding, based on information	capacity, and wastewater service would be
provided by environmental documents, staff	available for the proposed project. Water
analysis, and the applicant, that adequate	would be provided by the Golden State
public or private services and resources (i.e.	Water Company via a supplemental water
water, sewer, roads, etc.) are available to	agreement that has been executed with the
serve the proposed development. The	City of Santa Maria in compliance with
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applicant shall assume full responsibility for	Orcutt Community Plan Policy WAT-O-2
costs incurred in service extensions or	(Letter from Lisa Long to David Swenk
improvements that are required as a result of	dated October 5, 2016). Sewage disposal
the proposed project. Lack of available public	would be provided by the Laguna County
or private services or resources shall be	Sanitation District (LCSD) (letter from
grounds for denial of the project or reduction	Martin Wilder to David Swenk dated
in the density otherwise indicated in the land	December 11, 2015) via proposed new sewer
use plan.	lines that would connect to a lift station
	within the previously approved Vintage
Land Use Development Policy 5	Ranch development on Key Site 7 (Case
Within designated urban areas, new	Nos. 15DVP-00000-00002 and 15TRM-
development other than that for agricultural	00000-00002). The LCSD condition letter
purposes shall be serviced by the appropriate	requires permits for service and a can-and-
public sewer and water district or existing	will serve letter prior to zoning clearances.
mutual water company, if such service is	As of the date of this staff report, the Vintage
available.	Ranch project has not yet been constructed.
	Should development of the proposed Halsell
Orcutt Community Plan – Land Use	Tract Map project site occur prior to
	installation of the Vintage Ranch trunk line
Policy LU-O-5: To improve fiscal balance in	and lift station, the owner/applicant of the
both the development, operations, and	Halsell Tract Map site would be required to
maintenance of public infrastructure, the	install them at the owner's expense prior to
County shall pursue establishment of	approval of zoning clearances for any
appropriate funding mechanisms to ensure that	residential development (Condition 22).
development pays its "fair share" of public	
infrastructure costs.	The project is conditioned (Conditions 51-
	56) to pay development impact mitigation
	fees. Therefore, the project would pay its
	"fair share" of public infrastructure costs and
	is consistent with these policies and
	development standards.
Orcutt Community Plan – Residential	Consistent: Implementation of standard
	dust control measures (Condition 7), and
Policy LUR-O-2: Future growth and	emission control measures and other APCD
development shall occur in a manner which	requirements (Condition 58), would ensure
minimizes construction related impacts on the	that construction-related air quality impacts
community.	on the community would be minimized.

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	Additional conditions addressing erosion and sediment control (Conditions 14-16, 20), construction days and hours (Condition 17), equipment shielding during construction (Condition 26), and the disposal of solid waste from construction activities (Condition 18) would minimize construction-related impacts and support development of clean, safe, residential areas. All construction related vehicles, equipment staging and storage areas would be required to be located onsite (Condition 24). Therefore, the proposed project is consistent with this policy.
Hillside and Watershed Protection Policy #1: Plans for development shall minimize cut and fill operations. Plans requiring excessive cutting and filling may be denied if it is determined that the development could be carried out with less alteration of the natural terrain.	<b>Consistent:</b> Grading for the proposed project has been minimized to the maximum extent feasible. The project includes grading for construction of a new private access driveway, storm water retention basin, and related drainage features. Additionally, future residential development would require grading for building sites, access, and
Hillside and Watershed Protection Policy #2: All development shall be designed to fit the site topography, soils, geology, hydrology, and any other existing conditions and be oriented so that grading and other site preparation is kept to an absolute minimum. Natural features, landforms, and native vegetation, such as trees, shall be preserved to the maximum extent feasible. Areas of the site which are not suited to development because of known soil, geologic, flood, erosion or other hazards shall	utilities. Grading for the proposed private access driveway and storm water retention basin would be approximately 9,310 cubic yards of cut and 988 cubic yards of fill, with a remainder of approximately 8,322 cubic yards. While some of this may be used for future building pads, the project would still generate excess material. Condition 16 requires the excess material to be removed in a timely fashion to an approved receptor site.
remain in open space. Hillside and Watershed Protection Policy #3: For necessary grading operations on hillsides,	The proposed project is subject to the standard County erosion control measures. Additionally, Condition 14 requires submittal of grading and erosion and

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the smallest practical area of land shall be	sediment control plans using Best
exposed at any one time during development,	Management Practices (BMP) designed to
and the length of exposure shall be kept to the	stabilize the site, protect natural
shortest practicable amount of time. The	watercourses/creeks, prevent erosion, convey
clearing of land should be avoided during the	storm water runoff to existing drainage
winter rainy season and all measures for	systems, and keep contaminants and
removing sediments and stabilizing slopes	sediments onsite during construction.
should be in place before the beginning of the	Condition 15 requires timely re-vegetation of
rainy season.	graded areas with deep-rooted, native,
	drought-tolerant species to minimize erosion
Hillside and Watershed Protection Policy #4:	potential.
Sediment basins (including debris basins,	
desilting basins, or silt traps) shall be installed	The proposed project is also subject to
on the project site in conjunction with the	standard Flood Control District regulations
initial grading operations and maintained	including those addressing sediment control
through the development process to remove	(Condition 58d). In conformance with
sediment from runoff waters. All sediment	Hillside and Watershed Protection Policy #6,
shall be retained on-site unless removed to an	stormwater run-off from the access driveway
appropriate dumping location.	and turnaround would be collected by a
	bioretention system and conveyed by a storm
Hillside and Watershed Protection Policy #5:	drain to a retention basin at the north side of
Temporary vegetation, seeding, mulching, or	Lots 1 and 2, which has been designed and
other suitable stabilization methods shall be	would be permitted in accordance with Flood
used to protect soils subject to erosion that	Control requirements.
have been disturbed during grading or	
development. All cut and fill slopes shall be	The proposed project would not result in the
stabilized as rapidly as possible with planting	degradation of the water quality of the
of native grasses and shrubs, appropriate non-	groundwater basin or any tributary to Orcutt
native plants, or with acceptable landscaping	Creek. There are no stream corridors within
practices.	the project area. The project would include
IT II. J. and W. Annal. J. D. P. M. D. St.	the use of Low Impact Development (LID)
Hillside and Watershed Policy #6: Provisions	technologies, which would also contribute to
shall be made to conduct surface water to storm drains or suitable watercourses to	minimizing sediment loads and other contaminants. Pollutants, such as chemicals,
prevent erosion. Drainage devices shall be designed to accommodate increased runoff	fuels, lubricants, raw sewage, and other harmful waste, would not be discharged into
resulting from modified soil and surface	or alongside coastal streams or wetlands
conditions as a result of development. Water	either during or after construction. The
conunions us a result of development. Waler	

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runoff shall be retained onsite whenever	project would include Best Management
possible to facilitate groundwater recharge.	Practices such as the installation of oil/water
	separators and sediment traps.
Hillside and Watershed Policy #7:	
Degradation of the water quality of groundwater	As the project site is relatively flat, excessive
basins, nearby streams, or wetlands shall not	grading for creation or enhancement of views
result from development of the site. Pollutants,	would not occur. The new access road, cul-
such as chemicals, fuels, lubricants, raw	de-sac, and driveways have been sited as close
sewage, and other harmful waste, shall not be	as possible to approved access roads. Neither
discharged into or alongside coastal streams or	hillsides nor natural flood channels located on
wetlands either during or after construction.	the project site, and the project would not
	remove large stands of trees. Condition 6
Orcutt Community Plan -	requires that all future development and its
Geology/Topography/Soils Policies	associated landscaping receive BAR approval
	and is installed per those plans prior to final
DevStd GEO-O-2.1: Consistent with Hillside	building inspection clearance. Therefore, the
and Watershed Policy #1, excessive grading for	project is consistent with these Policies and
creation or enhancement of views shall not be	Development Standards.
permitted. Where new roads and driveways	
would require substantial grading, development	
shall be sited close to existing access roads.	
DevStd GEO-O-2.3: To aid in erosion control,	
existing hillside topography, large stands of	
trees, and natural flood channels shall be	
preserved, unless this would prevent reasonable	
development of a property.	
DevStd GEO-O-2.6: All landscape plans shall	
be reviewed by P&D to ensure revegetation of	
graded areas in areas of sandy soils. Landscape	
securities shall be required unless expressly	
waived by P&D.	
Land Use Element - Flood Hazard Area	<b>Consistent:</b> The project site is not located
Policies	within the FEMA designated 100-year
	floodway or the floodway fringe.
Flood Hazard Area Policy #1: All	
development, including construction,	The proposed project is designed to conduct

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excavation, and grading, except for flood	all surface runoff to an onsite Flood Control-
control projects and non-structural agricultural	approved retention basin, thereby
uses, shall be prohibited in the floodway unless	minimizing any potential for development to
off-setting improvements in accordance with	generate off-site runoff. Conditions 14 and
HUD regulations are provided. If the proposed	15 require preparation of a SWPPP and
development falls within the floodway fringe,	immediate re-vegetation of graded areas.
development may be permitted, provided creek	Implementation of these conditions would
setback requirements are met and finish floor	ensure minimization of flood risk, off-site
elevations are above the projected 100-year	runoff, and short- and long-term erosion
flood elevation, as specified in the Flood Plain	associated with future development.
Management Ordinance.	Therefore, the proposed project is consistent
	with these policies.
Orcutt Community Plan - Flooding and	-
Drainage Policies	
Policy FLD-0-1: Flood risks in the Orcutt	
planning area shall be minimized through	
appropriate design and land use controls.	
Policy FLD-O-2: Off-site runoff associated	
with development should be minimized.	
Policy FLD-O-3: Short-term and long-term	
erosion associated with development shall be	
minimized.	
Land Use Element – Historical and	<b>Consistent:</b> Based on the results of a Phase 1
Archaeological Sites Policies	Survey conducted by Dudek, Inc. (Stone and
	McDaniel, February 25, 2016), there are no
Policy #1: All available measures, including	prehistoric or historic cultural resources within
purchase, tax relief, purchase of development	the project area. Additionally, based on the
rights, etc., shall be explored to avoid	results of AB 52 consultation conducted for
development on significant historic,	the proposed project, there are no traditional
prehistoric, archaeological, and other classes	cultural resources located within the project
of cultural sites.	area. Condition 25 requires work to stop and
	standard County procedures to be followed in
Orcutt Community Plan – History and	the event of an unanticipated discovery of

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cultural resources during construction.
Therefore, the proposed project is consistent
with these policies.
<b>Consistent:</b> The project is located within the
urban boundary of Orcutt. Future build-out of
the proposed project would result in five
single family dwellings that would be visible
from Black Oak Drive and adjacent properties.
New single family dwellings and associated
landscaping would be reviewed by the BAR to
ensure that they are in conformance with the
scale and character of the existing community
and preserve the semi-rural character of the
Orcutt Planning Area (OPA) (Condition 6).
All electrical utilities would be required to be
placed underground (Condition 41).
Although development of the site would
Although development of the site would contribute to a change in visual character
compared to existing conditions,
development of the project site would be
consistent with the OCP Key Site B
development standards intended to protect
scenic and visual resources and preserve the
area's semi-rural character. The project site
is not located within a prominent public view
corridor or viewshed and would not disrupt
any important public view corridor or
viewshed.
In order to minimize the impacts of outdoor
lighting associated with future site
development on neighboring properties and the community in general, mitigation

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<b>REQUIREMENT</b> <b>DevStd VIS-O-2.1:</b> Development shall be sited and designed to minimize the disruption of important public view corridors and viewsheds through building orientation, minimization of grading on slopes, landscaping, and minimization of sound walls. <b>Policy VIS-O-6:</b> Outdoor lighting in Orcutt shall be designed and placed so as to minimize impacts on neighboring properties and the community in general. <b>DevStd VIS-O-6.1:</b> Low pressure sodium (LPS) lighting or other alternative methods used for street lighting, parking lot lighting and security lighting should be investigated by the Public Works Department to reduce off-site impacts from night lighting. <b>DevStd VIS-O-6.3.</b> Night lighting fixtures adjacent to residential areas shall be of the minimum height and intensity required for security/safety.	DISCUSSION measures from 95-EIR-01 and standard conditions addressing lighting have been incorporated as conditions of approval (Conditions 3 and 6). These conditions require lighting which is shielded and directed downward to ensure that lighting does not spill over into the open space areas, and the incorporation into the project's design of natural colors and building materials that are compatible with the surrounding development. The Public Works, Transportation Division condition letter dated September 7, 2017 (Condition 58g) contains standard specifications for street lights, which will be of the minimum height and intensity required for security/safety. Therefore, the proposed project is consistent with these policies and development standards.
Orcutt Community Plan – Fire Protection Policy FIRE-O-2: Fire hazards in Orcutt shall be minimized in order to reduce the cost of/need for increased fire protection services and to protect the natural resources in undeveloped open space areas. DevStd FIRE-2.1: Development within or adjacent to high fire hazard areas should include the use of fire prevention measures such as perimeter roads, trails, Class A or B roofs, adequate access to the urban/rural interface and inclusion of structural setbacks	Consistent: Key Site B is located within a designated "High Fire Hazard" area. The project site would continue to receive fire protection services from the Santa Barbara County Fire Department Station 22, located at 1596 Tiffany Park Court. This station is located within a five-minute response time to the project site. The County Fire Department has identified development standards that would adequately mitigate potential fire hazards on the site. These measures include requirements for specified road widths and

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per DevStd BIO 1.7. Fencing within the	adequate fire vehicle turnarounds, adequate
structural setback shall be comprised of fire-	site addressing, installation of fire hydrants
resistant material to minimize fire hazards.	where needed, adequate onsite water
DevStd FIRE-2.2: The County shall require two routes of ingress and egress for development unless the Fire Department waives this requirement based upon substantial evidence that public safety will not be compromised. Emergency access and egress routes are not required to be paved or meet width standards for normal roadways.	pressure and payment of fire mitigation fees (Conditions 54 and 58c). In addition, the Uniform Building Code contains requirements for fire-resistant building materials, including roofing, and requires that all fences within five feet of a building must be made of noncombustible materials or comply with fire-resistive standards of exterior walls.
	Access to the project site would be provided from the south via an extension of Key Site 7 / Vintage Ranch's Claret Lane and Black Oak Drive. Claret Lane and Black Oak Drive, which are approved but not yet constructed, would connect to the existing Mesa Verde development to the east. The Halsell Tract Map project is conditioned to construct these portions of Claret Lane and Black Oak Drive if they are not yet in place at the time of the first Zoning Clearance application for the Halsell Tract Map project (Condition 22). The project's access plan has been preliminarily reviewed and approved by the Fire Department, and no additional routes for ingress or egress are required. Therefore, the proposed project is consistent with these policies and Development Standards.
Orcutt Community Plan – Library	<b>Consistent:</b> A Community Facilities District
Grean Community I with - Library	has been formed for development within the
DevStd LIB-O-1.2: The County shall require a	Orcutt Community Plan area. The District
library mitigation fee on development to fund	provides for funds for the operation and
norary mulganon jee on acvelopment to juna	Provided for rando for the operation and

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the cost of acquisition by purchase or lease,	maintenance of libraries. Adherence to
construction, and furnishing of a new library	Condition 51, which requires the payment of
facility. The fee shall be determined upon	library development impact mitigation fees,
completion of an infrastructure financing	would ensure consistency with these
program. All development approved after	Development Standards.
adoption of the OCP shall be subject to this	
fee, which shall be paid prior to issuance of	
Building Permits or as determined by the	
infrastructure financing program.	
DevStd LIB-O-1.4: If Mello Roos Community	
Facilities Districts are formed in the Orcutt	
Planning Area to fund operation and	
maintenance of a library, prior to	
discretionary project approval of projects	
which impact libraries, all applicants in the	
planning area must either agree to participate	
in the District's funding mechanisms for	
library services or otherwise demonstrate that	
the project is fully mitigating the increase in	
demand for library services caused by the	
project.	
Policy RR-O-1: Resource conservation and	<b>Consistent:</b> Condition 18 requires preparation
recovery shall be implemented in Orcutt to	of a Source Reduction and Solid Waste
divert the waste stream from area landfills to	Management Plan (SRSWMP) including
the maximum extent feasible.	provisions for recycling during the
	construction phase of the project. The project
DevStd RR-O-1.4: Developers shall provide	site is within the service area of Health
recycling bins at all construction sites, where	Sanitation Services (HSS), providing for
collection of currently accepted recyclable	curbside recycling and separate green waste
construction materials could be	pick-up. Additionally, the County ensures
accommodated.	compliance with the goals set by AB 939 by
	requiring a reduction in solid waste generation
	for all new development projects in the
	County. The County estimates that
	implementation of a source reduction and
	recycling program reduces the total volume of

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	waste generated by new development projects by approximately 70%. Therefore, the proposed project would be consistent with this Policy and Development Standard.
Orcutt Community Plan – SchoolsPolicy SCH-O-1: The County shall strive to ensure that new development fully mitigates its impacts to school facilities and does not cause school overcrowding.Action SCH-O-1.1. The County shall require that all statutory school facilities fees established by School Districts in the Orcutt Planning Area pursuant to Govt. Code Section 65996 be paid in full prior to issuance of building permits or as agreed to by the applicant and the school district.	<b>Consistent:</b> The proposed project would result in four net new residential lots and the ability to develop five new single family dwellings. The collection of state-mandated fees (pursuant to Section 65995 (3) (h) of the California Government Code) is considered full and complete mitigation for impacts related to public schools. All required school fees would be paid in full prior to issuance of any building permits. Therefore, the proposed project is consistent with this policy and action.
Orcutt Community Plan – Wastewater Policy WW-O-1: The County shall strive to ensure development of adequate sewer facilities necessary to service projected growth. Policy WW-O-2. Prior to discretionary approval of a new development, the County shall make a finding that there will be adequate capacity and availability for LCSD to serve the new development.	<b>Consistent:</b> The Laguna County Sanitation District (LCSD) condition letter dated November 10, 2015 (Condition 58e) indicates that the LCSD has adequate treatment and disposal capabilities to serve the proposed project, and that wastewater from future development of the five parcels would not cause effluent produced by the District's reclamation plant to exceed RWQCB thresholds. The project would include the extension of a public sewer main (or force main) to the project site, which would require the use of a lift station and
<b>DevStd WW-O-2.1:</b> Prior to the discretionary approval of new development, the developer shall identify all additional facilities required to adequately collect, convey, treat and dispose of the sewage effluent from the development.	force main to the first manhole in the Vintage Ranch project. The LCSD condition letter requires the applicant to obtain a "Final Can and Will Serve Letter" from the LCSD prior to Zoning Clearance issuance and

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<ul> <li>DevStd WW-O-2.3: A "Can and Will Serve Letter" from LCSD will be found adequate for recording of maps or issuance of land use permits (including permits for development of preexisting lots) only if the letter demonstrates:</li> <li>LCSD's effluent, including the effluent from the proposed project, will not exceed the discharge standards established by the Regional Water Quality Control Board;</li> <li>Adequate disposal capabilities exist at the plant or through agreement with the City of Santa Maria (providing that treatment and disposal by the City does not further degrade the underlying groundwater quality) to serve the project(s); and Existing or planned and funded transmission lines have available capacity to serve the project(s).</li> <li>DevStd WW-O-2.4: At the time of discretionary approval, the County shall condition the recordation of the final map or issuance of LUP's on provision of an adequate "Can and Will Serve" letter from LCSD.</li> </ul>	demonstrating the requirements listed in Development Standard WW-O-2.3. Therefore, the proposed project is consistent with these policies and development standards.
<u>Noise Element</u> Policy #1: In the planning of land use, 65 dB Day-Night Average Sound Level should be regarded as the maximum exterior noise exposure compatible with noise-sensitive uses unless noise mitigation features are included in project designs. <u>Orcutt Community Plan – Noise</u>	<b>Consistent:</b> Single family dwellings are considered to be noise sensitive land uses. All proposed development is located outside of the 65 dB(A) CNEL noise contour as identified in the OCP. Therefore, the use of sound walls throughout the project site is not required. Landscaping, unit orientation, and setbacks would be included in the project plans to reduce nuisance noise impacts, ensuring consistency with this development

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Policy NSE-O-1: Development of new noise	
sensitive uses (as defined in the Noise Element)	The closest sensitive noise receptors to the
in Orcutt should provide attenuation of	project site are single family residences
ambient noise levels for indoor living areas	located immediately to the east and north,
and, where practical, for outdoor living areas.	and west of the project site, as well as the
	development approved for Key Site 7 to the
DevStd NSE-O-1.1. Noise sensitive land uses	south (Vintage Ranch). Condition 17 limits
should be located outside of the $65 dB(A)$	construction operations to 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.,
CNEL contours, unless this would prevent	Monday through Friday, excluding State
reasonable development of a property.	holidays, to ensure that construction noise is
	minimized during non-standard work hours.
Policy NSE-O-2. Construction noise in Orcutt	Condition 26 requires noise attenuation
shall be minimized during non-standard work	barriers, muffling of grading equipment, etc.
hours.	for development where construction
	equipment generates noise levels in excess of
DevStd NSE-O-2.1. Standard construction	95 dB(A), which further minimize
working hours (i.e., 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday-	construction noise. Long-term residential
Friday) shall be required for development	use would not be expected to generate noise
activities. Flexibility to allow extended hours	levels in excess of $65 \text{ dB}(A)$ at the property
on weekdays and/or occasional working hours	line. Upon implementation of these
on Saturdays should be determined on a case-	measures, exterior noise levels within the
by-case basis.	proposed project would not exceed 65 dB.
	Therefore, the proposed project is consistent
DevStd NSE-O-2.2. Noise attenuation	with these policies and development
barriers, muffling of grading equipment and	standards.
additional mitigation where deemed	
appropriate should be required for	
development where construction equipment	
generates noise levels in excess of $95 \ dB(A)$ .	
Circulation Element	<b>Consistent:</b> The proposed project would
	result in the creation of four net new
<u>Roadway Standards:</u>	residential lots, generating an estimated 40
a. A project that would contribute ADTs to a	new ADTs and four new PHTs. As discussed
roadway where the Estimated Future Volume	in Section 4.15 (Transportation/Circulation)
does not exceed the policy capacity would be	of the Mitigated Negative Declaration for the
considered consistent with this section of this	proposed project (17MND-00000-00009,
Element.	Attachment C), all affected intersection and

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	road way segments would remain at
Intersection Standards:	acceptable levels of service (LOS C or
1. Projects contributing PHTs (peak hour trips)	better).
to intersections that operate at an Estimated	
<i>Future Level of Service that is better than LOS C</i>	The project applicant would be required to
shall be found consistent with this section of this	pay transportation impact fees in accordance
Element unless the project results in a change in	with the Orcutt Transportation Improvement
<i>V/C</i> (volume/capacity) ratio greater than 0.20	Plan (OTIP) (Condition 56). These
for an intersection operating at LOS A or 0.15	improvements or fees would contribute to
for an intersection operating at LOS B.	long-term improvements to maintain
	acceptable levels of service.
Orcutt Community Plan – Transportation	-
	The five single family lots would be
Policy CIRC-O-2. The County shall strive to	accessed from a new 36-foot-wide extension
provide an efficient and safe circulation system	of a private drive (Claret Lane) that would
to accommodate future growth in Orcutt. The	connect to Black Oak Drive via a private
County will use its best efforts to coordinate	access easement across APN 101-400-007, to
the timing of roadway, intersection and other	the south (Vintage Ranch, Key Site 7).
transportation improvements with the	
completion of the development projects that the	Condition 22 requires that the on-site
improvements are intended to serve.	extension of Claret Lane be constructed in
	association with the first Zoning Clearance
Policy CIRC-O-3. The County shall maintain a	issued for residential development.
minimum Level of Service (LOS) C or better on	Condition 22 also requires this private road
roadways and intersections within the Orcutt	to be maintained by the subdivision's owners
Planning Area, except that minimum Level of	via a Homeowner's Association (HOA) or
Service for the Foster Road/Hwy 135 and	other suitable mechanism formed to provide
Lakeview/Skyway Dr. intersections and	for long-term maintenance of the private
Stillwell and Lakeview Roads shall be LOS D.	road.
DevStd CIRC-0-10.2: If an Assessment	Therefore, the proposed project is consistent
District is formed in the Orcutt Planning Area	with these Policies and Development
to fund and maintain internal subdivision	Standards.
roads, prior to discretionary project approval	
of projects which impact transportation	
systems all applicants in the Planning Area	
must agree to either develop and maintain	
internal subdivision roads through the	

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Assessment District, or agree to maintain these	
roads privately and demonstrate that a	
Homeowners Association will be established	
which will generate adequate revenues to	
provide long term maintenance of the roads.	
Orcutt Community Plan – Groundwater	<b>Consistent:</b> As required by OCP policies,
Policies, Actions and Development Standards	water for future development will be
	provided by Golden State Water Company
Policy WAT-O-2: In order to be found	via the purchase of 3.92 acre-feet of
consistent with Land Use Development Policy	supplemental water from the City of Santa
No. 4 (LUDP#4), the water demand of new	Maria. The applicant has provided a
discretionary development must be offset by	supplemental water purchase agreement for
long-term* supplemental** water supplies that	the proposed project dated October 5, 2016.
do not result in further overdraft of the local	This contract has been executed and finalized
groundwater basin and that are adequate to	and no additional supplemental water is
meet the project's net water demand as	required for this project. Golden State Water
determined by the County considering	Company (GSWC) has provided a
appropriate reliability factors as determined	Preliminary Can and Will Serve Letter dated
by County Water Agency.	September 18, 2015 indicating that GSWC
* "long-term" means permanent source of	will be able to provide domestic and fire
water for development.	protection water service to future
** "supplemental" water means a source of	development on the five one-acre lots.
water other than groundwater, unless: 1.	Condition 28 requires the developer to
the groundwater basin has been determined	provide a final Can and Will Serve letter
to be no longer in overdraft, or 2. The use	from Golden State Water prior to issuance of
of groundwater is consistent with the final	Building Permits. Therefore, the project has
water rights judgment entered in the Santa	complied with OCP Policy WAT-O2 and
Maria Groundwater Basin adjudication	OCP Development standards WAT-O-2.1,
(Santa Maria Valley Water Conservation	WAT-O-2.2, and WAT-O-2.3.
District v. City of Santa Maria, et al., Santa	
Clara County Superior Court Case No. CV	Future development will be required to
770214). Amended by Res. 01-225, 7/10/01	comply with the requirements of the State
	Model Water Efficient Landscape Ordinance
DevStd WAT-O-2.1: Prior to discretionary	and California Green Building Code.
action by any County decision-maker on	
new development, the applicant shall	Therefore, the proposed project is consistent
provide one of the following:	with these policies and development

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	standards.
1. A "Can and Will Serve" letter	
from California Cities Water	
Company dated before July 1997;	
2. An "Intent to Serve" letter from	
California Cities Water Company	
or other water purveyor(s)	
including draft contract(s), if any,	
demonstrating to the County's	
satisfaction that the	
development's net water demand	
will be offset by a long-term	
supplemental water supply and	
that the development will have a	
continuing right to obtain water	
equal to that of the water	
purveyor's other customers.	
Contract(s), if any, must include	
terms consistent with the	
requirements of DevStd WAT-O-	
2.2.	
DevStd Wat-O-2.2: Prior to discretionary	
action on new development, the applicant must	
demonstrate adequacy of the water supply	
proposed to serve the project, unless the	
applicant has satisfied DevStd WAT-O-2.1 #1	
above. This demonstration shall be based on	
the following information, which must be	
provided prior to application completeness:	
Resources	
• Provide information on project's	
projected gross and net demand for	
water. The supplemental water supply	
must offset the project's net water	
demand.	
• Documentation of the reliability of the	
proposed water supply as projected by	

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the Department of Water Resources (for	
State Water) and confirmed by the	
County Water Agency.	
• A description of how the project will be	
served during drought periods. If	
conjunctive use of the Santa Maria	
Groundwater Basin is planned,	
demonstration that use of the basin will	
not contribute to long-term groundwater	
overdraft considering drought periods.	
The factual determination of overdraft	
contribution shall be made by the	
Planning & Development Department	
and County Water Agency.	
• Provide a factual demonstration that the	
water purveyor has available, firm, long-	
term reliable water supplies which equal	
or exceed present demand from existing	
customers, projects approved for new	
service, and the proposed project under	
County review. The demonstration should	
also show that the project use would not	
contribute to overdraft of the basin. The	
factual determination of no additional	
overdraft shall be made by Planning &	
Development and County Water Agency.	
• <i>Provide draft contract(s) with water</i>	
purveyor(s), which demonstrate(s) to the	
satisfaction of the County that the	
development will be served by a long-	
term supplemental water source and will	
have a continuing right to obtain water	
equal to that of the water purveyor's	
other customers.	
• Provide information on the water	
purveyor's existing and projected range	
of potential State Water and/or other	
supplemental water delivery amounts	

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needed for full build-out under the water	
purveyor's management plan, status of	
conservation programs, drought buffers,	
and groundwater pumpage consistent	
with applicable state government code	
requirements on water reporting. Provide	
information on the most recent annual	
water deliveries from various sources in	
the purveyor's service area, as available	
from existing reports.	
Facilities	
• Documentation of the facilities necessary	
to deliver water and demonstration of	
permanent access to the facilities such	
that uninterrupted service would be	
provided. The documentation must	
include a list and description of facilities,	
site plans, capacity and capital costs	
necessary to distribute water to the	
project.	
Demonstration that capital costs	
associated with providing service to the	
new development will not impact existing	
Orcutt development.	
• Demonstration that the water supply	
project is designed, approved, funded	
and scheduled for implementation prior	
to tract map recordation or land use	
clearance.	
• Describe approvals and entitlements	
necessary for the proposed water supply	
and delivery system.	
DevStd Wat-O-2.3: Prior to map recordation	
or land use clearance, the developer must	
provide a Can and Will Serve letter and	
necessary final contract(s) consistent with the	
conditions of the discretionary permits and	
conditions of the discretionary permits and	

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<i>terms of the draft contract(s).</i>	
<b>Policy WAT-O-3:</b> Development in Orcutt shall incorporate water efficient design and technology.	
<ul> <li>Orcutt Community Plan – Air Quality</li> <li>Policy AQ-O-2: Significant fugitive dust and PM<sub>10</sub> emissions shall be reduced through implementation of appropriate construction restrictions and control measures, consistent with standards adopted by the Board.</li> <li>Policy AQ-O-3: The County should promote the use of alternative fuels, solar energy systems, and the use of construction techniques which are designed to conserve energy and minimize pollution in Orcutt, consistent with, but not limited to the provisions of the CA Building Code.</li> </ul>	<b>Consistent:</b> In order to reduce fugitive dust and PM <sub>10</sub> emissions, the project would be required to implement standard dust and emission control measures during construction such as wetting down areas to keep dust from leaving the site, covering stockpiles, tarping of trucks transporting fill material to and from the site, and designating a dust monitor, as specified in the APCD condition letter dated November 5, 2015 (Conditions 7 and 58a). Future development would be required to comply with the requirements of the latest California Building Code, including Title 24 (Building Energy Efficiency Standards) requirements, which are designed to ensure that new buildings achieve energy efficiency and preserve outdoor and indoor environmental quality. Therefore, the proposed project is consistent with these policies.
Orcutt Community Plan – Biological	<b>Consistent:</b> The subject parcel has been
<u>Resources</u>	subject to disking and vegetation removal for many years. Based on the results of the
<i>Policy BIO-O-1: Important natural resources</i> <i>in Orcutt, including sandhill chaparral, central</i>	biological assessment conducted for the project (Rincon Consultants, February 2016),
dune scrub, wetlands, oak trees and woodland,	the site does not currently contain substantial
Bishop pine forest, specimen trees, and central	habitat value, sensitive vegetation
sage scrub shall be protected, consistent with the Open Space Plan and the standards below,	communities, or rare plants. The project is within the potential range of the California
unless this would prevent reasonable	Tiger Salamander. The species was not

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development of a property.	detected in the study area during the		
	biological survey nor were suitable breeding		
DevStd BIO-O-1.1: Development shall be sited	or aquatic habitat or potential burrows		
and designed to avoid disruption and	detected. However, as the parcel is within the		
fragmentation of significant natural resources	dispersal distance of one potential breeding		
within and adjacent to designated undeveloped	ponds, Condition 30 requires that prior to		
natural open space areas, minimize removal of	issuance of Zoning Clearances, the permittee		
significant native vegetation and trees,	obtain all necessary approvals from the		
preserve wildlife corridors and provide	California Department of Fish and Wildlife,		
reasonable levels of habitat restoration. Where	the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, and/or		
possible, significant natural resources, such as	National Marine Fisheries Service, including		
specimen trees, adjacent to designated, natural	an Incidental Take Permit and/or Habitat		
undeveloped open space corridors should be	Conservation Plan for the California Tiger		
preserved.	Salamander, if required.		
DevStd BIO-O-1.3: Landscaping for	At the time of the biological surveys, the		
development on the edge of designated natural	subject parcel contained eight coast live oak		
undeveloped open space areas shall include	trees of protected size (6 in. diameter at		
native trees and shrubs, with habitat	breast height or greater). After completion of		
restoration efforts focused on buffers. Planting			
of highly invasive weedy plants (e.g., iceplant.	Lane, access drive and cul-de-sac, and		
pampas grass, veldt grass, monterey pine,	retention basin were sited to avoid impacts to		
eucalyptus, spiny clotbur, and Australian	established native trees. However,		
fireweed) shall be prohibited within 500 feet of	construction of the onsite storm water		
natural undeveloped open space areas as	retention basin would require removal of one		
designated on the Open Space map (Figure	coast live oak tree. The OCP does not provide		
20).	a formal mitigation approach for oak trees, but		
	rather states that where oak trees are impacted,		
Policy BIO-O-3: Established native trees in	they shall be replaced in a manner consistent		
designated open space areas shall be	with County standards. In accordance with		
protected. Established native trees in	County Standard Conditions and Mitigation		
developable areas shall be incorporated into	Measures Bio-1, Condition 10 requires pre-		
the site landscaping plan to the greatest degree	_		
feasible except where it would interfere with	regardless of their health, at least six feet		
reasonable development of a property. Native	beyond the dripline, as well as replacement of		
trees shall be considered established if they are	any oaks that are removed or damaged at a		
six feet in height.	10:1 ratio and hiring of an outside consulting		
	biologist or arborist to assess damage and		

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DevStd BIO-O-3.1: To the maximum extent	recommend mitigation.	
feasible, development shall be designed to		
avoid damage to established native trees (e.g.,	Condition 3 requires exterior lighting to be	
oaks) by incorporating setbacks, clustering, or	downward facing and shielded, which would	
other appropriate methods. Areas protected	reduce light pollution in the adjacent open	
from grading, paving, and other disturbances	space.	
shall include the area 6 feet outside of		
established native tree driplines, unless this	Condition 31 requires that established native	
distance would interfere with reasonable	trees (over six feet in height) be incorporated	
development of a property. Where native trees	into the site landscaping to the greatest extent	
are removed, they shall be replaced in a	feasible, and also prohibits the planting of	
manner consistent with County standards.	highly invasive weedy plants (e.g., ice plant.	
	pampas grass, veldt grass, Monterey pine,	
Policy BIO-O-4: Non-native trees (e.g.,	eucalyptus, spiny clotbur, and Australian	
eucalyptus groves and windrows) that provide	fireweed) within 500 feet of natural	
known raptor nesting or key roosting sites	undeveloped open space area as designated on	
shall be protected; non-native specimen trees	the OCP Open Space map.	
shall be protected to the greatest degree		
feasible except where it would interfere with	The subject parcel contains individual and	
reasonable development of a property. Non-	stands of mature eucalyptus trees of habitat	
native trees of less than 25 inches in diameter	value that are used by songbirds and raptors	
at breast height do not qualify as specimens for	for nesting and roosting. Construction of the	
this Policy.	access drive cul-de-sac and onsite retention	
	basin would require removal of three	
DevStd BIO-O-4.1: Where non-native	individual eucalyptus trees. Condition 11	
specimen trees are removed for development	requires construction to occur outside of the	
the County should consider replacement with	nesting season, or if this is not feasible, the	
native trees.	performance of pre-construction nesting bird	
	surveys and appropriate fencing and	
Policy BIO-O-5: New facilities in Orcutt,	avoidance of trees with nests. Condition 29	
including roads, bikepaths/trails, sewer lines	requires replacement of damaged or removed	
and retention basins, shall to the maximum	non-native specimen trees on a 1:1 basis with	
extent feasible be sited and designed to avoid	minimum 5-gallon sized native trees.	
disruption of significant natural resources	Therefore, the proposed project is consistent	
within designated natural undeveloped open	with these policies and development	
space areas, minimize removal of significant	standards.	
native vegetation and trees and provide for		
reasonable levels of habitat restoration for		

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significant habitats disrupted by construction.	
Orcutt Community Plan – Fiscal Policies and	<b>Consistent:</b> The project is conditioned to
Development Standards	require the payment of all applicable
	development impact mitigation fees,
<b>Policy-FSCL-0-1:</b> The County shall ensure	including Orcutt area fees (Conditions 51-
that adequate funding is available for the	56). Payment of the Orcutt area fees would
construction of public infrastructure and	ensure that funding is available for the
facilities as identified in the Orcutt Community	operation and maintenance of public
Plan and the Public Infrastructure Financing	facilities in the community of Orcutt. With
Program.	implementation of these conditions of
	approval, the proposed project is consistent
<b>Policy-FSCL-0.2:</b> The County shall strive to	with these policies and development
ensure that funding is available for the	standards.
operation and maintenance of public facilities	
in the community of Orcutt.	
Devstd-FSCL-O-2.2: All development should	
be required to pay its fair share of the cost of	
operation and maintenance of public facilities.	
Devstd-FSCL-0-2.3: Any development	
approved after community plan adoption and	
prior to completion of the Public Infrastructure	
Financing Program shall be required to	
participate in maintenance funding	
mechanisms adopted as part of that program,	
and must agree to pay those on-going fees	
before issuance of Building Permits.	

## 6.3 Zoning: Land Use and Development Code Compliance

#### 6.3.1 Rezone

**Consistent:** Approval of the proposed rezone would amend the current zoning of 2-E-1 (Residential, two-acre minimum parcel size) to 1-E-1 (Residential, one-acre minimum parcel size) under the Santa Barbara County Land Use and Development Code (LUDC). The E-1 zones are applied to areas appropriately located for one-family living at a reasonable range of

population densities, consistent with sound standards of public health, safety, and welfare. This zone is intended to protect the residential characteristics of an area and to promote a suitable environment for family life. Each lot would meet or exceed the one-acre minimum lot size requirement for the 1-E-1 zone. Any future development on the subject parcels would be subject to all applicable provisions of the LUDC, including development standards for density, setbacks, height limits, landscaping, and parking.

6.3.2 Chapter 21, County Code (Subdivision Regulations)

The proposed Parcel Map would be consistent with the rules and regulations of the County's subdivision regulations as described in the findings (Attachment A). The proposed lots would conform to the following applicable configuration requirements as outlined in Chapter 21, Section 21-24:

Lot depth. No lot shall be created the rear line of which is less than 100 feet from the front line of the lot, except that one sideline may be less than one hundred feet in length if it terminates at a corner curve or cul-de-sac turn-around curve. In the case of through lots or corner lots, at least one lot line must be parallel to and not less than one hundred feet distant from the street on which the lot fronts. The rear line of a lot shall be considered as any lot line other than a front line which does not intersect the right-of-way line of the street on which the lot fronts.

**Consistent:** The proposed project would not create rear property lines which are less than 100 feet from the front line of the lot.

# 6.4 Inclusionary Housing Ordinance

Section 46A-3 (Applicability) of the Inclusionary Housing Ordinance (IHO) (Ordinance No. 4855) states that the IHO applies to (1) development of five or more net new primary housing units, and/or (2) subdivisions that would permit the eventual development of five or more net new primary housing units. Approval of the proposed project would permit the eventual development of five new primary housing units, for a net increase of four new units over what would occur under existing conditions. Therefore, the IHO does not apply to the proposed project.

## 6.5 Subdivision/Development Review Committee

The proposed project was reviewed by the Subdivision/Development Review Committee (SDRC) on November 5, 2015 and updated project information was provided to the SDRC members in July of 2017. The Air Pollution Control District, Fire Department, Flood Control Division, Parks Division, and Surveyor have issued condition letters which are included in Attachment B of this staff report.

### 6.6 Development Impact Mitigation Fees

A series of ordinances and resolutions adopted by the County Board of Supervisors require the payment various development impact mitigation fees. This project is subject to the fees as shown in the following table. The amounts shown are estimates only. The actual amounts will be calculated in accordance with the fee resolutions in effect when the fees are paid. The amount and timing of development impact mitigation fees will be dependent upon the specific development proposed (and approved) in the future, in accordance with the fee resolution in effect when the fees are paid.

The developer of a project that is required to pay development impact mitigation fees may appeal to the Board of Supervisors for a reduction, adjustment or waiver of any of those fees based on the absence of a reasonable relationship between the impacts of the proposed project and the fee category for which fees have been assessed. The appeal must be in writing and must state the factual basis on which the particular fee or fees should be reduced, adjusted or waived. The appeal must be submitted to the director(s) of the relevant departments within 15 calendar days following the determination of the fee amount(s). For a discretionary project, the date of determination of fee amounts is the date on which the decision-maker adopts the conditions of approval and approves the project.

Estimated Orcutt Development Plan Impact Mitigation Fees			
Fee Program	Base Fee (per unit or 1,000 sf)	Estimated Fee	Fee due at
Quimby	\$4,556/lot * 5 lots	\$22,780	Map Recordation
Transportation	\$3,600/unit * 5	\$18,000	Final Inspection
Bikeways	\$348/unit * 5	\$1,740	Final Inspection
Landscape Medians	\$401/unit * 5	\$2,005	Final Inspection
TOTAL		\$21,745	Final Inspection
Fire	\$590/1,000 sf	unknown	Final Inspection
Library	\$805/SFD * 5	\$4,025	Final Inspection
Public Administration	\$449/SFD * 5	\$2,245	Final Inspection
Sheriff	\$317/SFD * 5	\$1,585	Final Inspection

# 7.0 APPEALS PROCEDURE

The recommendation of the Planning Commission will be forwarded to the Board of Supervisors. Pursuant to Government Code Section 65856, any interested party may file a written request with the Clerk of the Board for a hearing by the Board of Supervisors within five days after the Planning Commission acts on the proposed zoning map amendment. Whether or not a written request is filed, a public hearing before the Board of Supervisors will be conducted.

#### ATTACHMENTS

- A. Findings
- B. Conditions of Approval for 15TRM-00000-00004
- C. Proposed Final Mitigated Declaration 17NGD-00000-00009
- D. Draft Ordinance / Resolution
- E. Tract Map