

TO: ENVIRONMENTAL EVALUATION **COMMITTEE** 

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PROJECT TYPE: Kudu, Inc Parcel Map #02501SUF	PERVISOR DIST: <u>#3</u>
LOCATION: 950 W. Lindsey RoadAF	PN: <u>020-110-031-000</u>
Calipatria, CA 92233 PARCEL SIZ	'E: <u>±321.92 AC.</u>
GENERAL PLAN (existing) Agriculture GENERAL P	PLAN (proposed) N/A
ZONE (existing) A-3-G (Heavy Agricultural, Geothermal Overlay) ZONE	(proposed) N/A
GENERAL PLAN FINDINGS   ☐ CONSISTENT ☐ INCONSISTENT	MAY BE/FINDINGS
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**REQUESTED ACTION:** 

(See Attached)

# ■ MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION

Initial Study & Environmental Analysis For:

Parcel Map #02501 Initial Study #22-0028 KUDU, Inc.



Prepared By:

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# SECTION 1 INTRODUCTION

#### A. PURPOSE

This document is a ☐ policy-level, ☒ project level Initial Study for evaluation of potential environmental impacts resulting with the proposed Parcel Map (Refer to Exhibit "A" & "B").

# B. CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA) REQUIREMENTS AND THE IMPERIAL COUNTY'S GUIDELINES FOR IMPLEMENTING CEQA

As defined by Section 15063 of the State California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines and Section 7 of the County's "CEQA Regulations Guidelines for the Implementation of CEQA, as amended", an **Initial Study** is prepared primarily to provide the Lead Agency with information to use as the basis for determining whether an Environmental Impact Report (EIR), Negative Declaration, or Mitigated Negative Declaration would be appropriate for providing the necessary environmental documentation and clearance for any proposed project.

According to Section	15065, an <b>EIR</b> is deemed	d appropriate for a particular	proposal if the	following co	nditions
occur:					

- The proposal has the potential to substantially degrade quality of the environment.
- The proposal has the potential to achieve short-term environmental goals to the disadvantage of long-term environmental goals.
- The proposal has possible environmental effects that are individually limited but cumulatively considerable.
- The proposal could cause direct or indirect adverse effects on human beings.

According to Section 15070(a), a **Negative Declaration** is deemed appropriate if the proposal would not result in any significant effect on the environment.

According to Section 15070(b), a Mitigated Negative Declaration is deemed appropriate if it is determined
that though a proposal could result in a significant effect, mitigation measures are available to reduce these
significant effects to insignificant levels.

This Initial Study has determined that the proposed applications will not result in any potentially significant environmental impacts and therefore, a Negative Declaration is deemed as the appropriate document to provide necessary environmental evaluations and clearance as identified hereinafter.

This Initial Study and Negative Declaration are prepared in conformance with the California Environmental Quality Act of 1970, as amended (Public Resources Code, Section 21000 et. seq.); Section 15070 of the State & County of Imperial's Guidelines for Implementation of the California Environmental Quality Act of 1970, as amended (California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Chapter 3, Section 15000, et. seq.); applicable requirements of the County of Imperial; and the regulations, requirements, and procedures of any other responsible public agency or an agency with jurisdiction by law.

Pursuant to the County of Imperial <u>Guidelines for Implementing CEQA</u>, depending on the project scope, the County of Imperial Board of Supervisors, Planning Commission and/or Planning Director is designated the Lead Agency, in accordance with Section 15050 of the CEQA Guidelines. The Lead Agency is the <u>public agency which has the</u>

principal responsibility for approving the necessary environmental clearances and analyses for any project in the County.

#### C. INTENDED USES OF INITIAL STUDY AND NEGATIVE DECLARATION

This Initial Study and Negative Declaration are informational documents, which are intended to inform County of Imperial decision makers, other responsible or interested agencies, and the general public of potential environmental effects of the proposed applications. The environmental review process has been established to enable public agencies to evaluate environmental consequences and to examine and implement methods of eliminating or reducing any potentially adverse impacts. While CEQA requires that consideration be given to avoiding environmental damage, the Lead Agency and other responsible public agencies must balance adverse environmental effects against other public objectives, including economic and social goals.

The Initial Study and Negative Declaration, prepared for the project will be circulated for a period of 20 days (30-days if submitted to the State Clearinghouse for a project of area-wide significance) for public and agency review and comments. At the conclusion, if comments are received, the County Planning & Development Services Department will prepare a document entitled "Responses to Comments" which will be forwarded to any commenting entity and be made part of the record within 10-days of any project consideration.

#### D. CONTENTS OF INITIAL STUDY & NEGATIVE DECLARATION

This Initial Study is organized to facilitate a basic understanding of the existing setting and environmental implications of the proposed applications.

#### **SECTION 1**

**I. INTRODUCTION** presents an introduction to the entire report. This section discusses the environmental process, scope of environmental review, and incorporation by reference documents.

#### **SECTION 2**

II. ENVIRONMENTAL CHECKLIST FORM contains the County's Environmental Checklist Form. The checklist form presents results of the environmental evaluation for the proposed applications and those issue areas that would have either a potentially significant impact, potentially significant unless mitigation incorporated, less than significant impact or no impact.

PROJECT SUMMARY, LOCATION AND EVIRONMENTAL SETTINGS describes the proposed project entitlements and required applications. A description of discretionary approvals and permits required for project implementation is also included. It also identifies the location of the project and a general description of the surrounding environmental settings.

**ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSIS** evaluates each response provided in the environmental checklist form. Each response checked in the checklist form is discussed and supported with sufficient data and analysis as necessary. As appropriate, each response discussion describes and identifies specific impacts anticipated with project implementation.

#### **SECTION 3**

**III. MANDATORY FINDINGS** presents Mandatory Findings of Significance in accordance with Section 15065 of the CEQA Guidelines.

IV. PERSONS AND ORGANIZATIONS CONSULTED identifies those persons consulted and involved in PKG

preparation of this Initial Study and Negative Declaration.

V. REFERENCES lists bibliographical materials used in preparation of this document.

VI. NEGATIVE DECLARATION - COUNTY OF IMPERIAL

VII. FINDINGS

#### **SECTION 4**

VIII. RESPONSE TO COMMENTS (IF ANY)

IX. MITIGATION MONITORING & REPORTING PROGRAM (MMRP) (IF ANY)

#### E. SCOPE OF ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSIS

For evaluation of environmental impacts, each question from the Environmental Checklist Form is summarized and responses are provided according to the analysis undertaken as part of the Initial Study. Impacts and effects will be evaluated and quantified, when appropriate. To each question, there are four possible responses, including:

- 1. **No Impact:** A "No Impact" response is adequately supported if the impact simply does not apply to the proposed applications.
- 2. **Less Than Significant Impact:** The proposed applications will have the potential to impact the environment. These impacts, however, will be less than significant; no additional analysis is required.
- 3. **Potentially Significant Unless Mitigation Incorporated:** This applies where incorporation of mitigation measures has reduced an effect from "Potentially Significant Impact" to a "Less Than Significant Impact".
- 4. **Potentially Significant Impact:** The proposed applications could have impacts that are considered significant. Additional analyses and possibly an EIR could be required to identify mitigation measures that could reduce these impacts to less than significant levels.

#### F. POLICY-LEVEL or PROJECT LEVEL ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSIS

This Initial Study and Negative Declaration will be conducted under a  $\square$  policy-level,  $\boxtimes$  project level analysis. Regarding mitigation measures, it is not the intent of this document to "overlap" or restate conditions of approval that are commonly established for future known projects or the proposed applications. Additionally, those other standard requirements and regulations that any development must comply with, that are outside the County's jurisdiction, are also not considered mitigation measures and therefore, will not be identified in this document.

#### G. TIERED DOCUMENTS AND INCORPORATION BY REFERENCE

Information, findings, and conclusions contained in this document are based on incorporation by reference of tiered documentation, which are discussed in the following section.

#### 1. Tiered Documents

As permitted in Section 15152(a) of the CEQA Guidelines, information and discussions from other documents can be included into this document. Tiering is defined as follows:

"Tiering refers to using the analysis of general matters contained in a broader EIR (such as the pre prepared

for a general plan or policy statement) with later EIRs and negative declarations on narrower projects; incorporating by reference the general discussions from the broader EIR; and concentrating the later EIR or negative declaration solely on the issues specific to the later project."

Tiering also allows this document to comply with Section 15152(b) of the CEQA Guidelines, which discourages redundant analyses, as follows:

"Agencies are encouraged to tier the environmental analyses which they prepare for separate but related projects including the general plans, zoning changes, and development projects. This approach can eliminate repetitive discussion of the same issues and focus the later EIR or negative declaration on the actual issues ripe for decision at each level of environmental review. Tiering is appropriate when the sequence of analysis is from an EIR prepared for a general plan, policy or program to an EIR or negative declaration for another plan, policy, or program of lesser scope, or to a site-specific EIR or negative declaration."

Further, Section 15152(d) of the CEQA Guidelines states:

"Where an EIR has been prepared and certified for a program, plan, policy, or ordinance consistent with the requirements of this section, any lead agency for a later project pursuant to or consistent with the program, plan, policy, or ordinance should limit the EIR or negative declaration on the later project to effects which:

- (1) Were not examined as significant effects on the environment in the prior EIR; or
- (2) Are susceptible to substantial reduction or avoidance by the choice of specific revisions in the project, by the imposition of conditions, or other means."

#### Incorporation By Reference

Incorporation by reference is a procedure for reducing the size of EIRs/MND and is most appropriate for including long, descriptive, or technical materials that provide general background information, but do not contribute directly to the specific analysis of the project itself. This procedure is particularly useful when an EIR or Negative Declaration relies on a broadly-drafted EIR for its evaluation of cumulative impacts of related projects (*Las Virgenes Homeowners Federation v. County of Los Angeles* [1986, 177 Ca.3d 300]). If an EIR or Negative Declaration relies on information from a supporting study that is available to the public, the EIR or Negative Declaration cannot be deemed unsupported by evidence or analysis (*San Francisco Ecology Center v. City and County of San Francisco* [1975, 48 Ca.3d 584, 595]). This document incorporates by reference appropriate information from the "Final Environmental Impact Report and Environmental Assessment for the "County of Imperial General Plan EIR" prepared by Brian F. Mooney Associates in 1993 and updates.

When an EIR or Negative Declaration incorporates a document by reference, the incorporation must comply with Section 15150 of the CEQA Guidelines as follows:

- The incorporated document must be available to the public or be a matter of public record (CEQA Guidelines Section 15150[a]). The General Plan EIR and updates are available, along with this document, at the County of Imperial Planning & Development Services Department, 801 Main Street, El Centro, CA 92243 Ph. (442) 265-1736.
- This document must be available for inspection by the public at an office of the lead agency (CEQA Guidelines Section 15150[b]). These documents are available at the County of Imperial Planning & Development Services Department, 801 Main Street, El Centro, CA 92243 Ph. (442) 265-1736.
- These documents must summarize the portion of the document being incorporated by reference or briefly PKG

describe information that cannot be summarized. Furthermore, these documents must describe the relationship between the incorporated information and the analysis in the tiered documents (CEQA Guidelines Section 15150[c]). As discussed above, the tiered EIRs address the entire project site and provide background and inventory information and data which apply to the project site. Incorporated information and/or data will be cited in the appropriate sections.

- These documents must include the State identification number of the incorporated documents (CEQA Guidelines Section 15150[d]). The State Clearinghouse Number for the County of Imperial General Plan EIR is SCH #93011023.
- The material to be incorporated in this document will include general background information (CEQA Guidelines Section 15150[f]). This has been previously discussed in this document.

#### Environmental Checklist

1. Project Title: Parcel Map #02501

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- 2. Lead Agency: Imperial County Planning & Development Services Department
- 3. Contact person and phone number: Gerardo A. Quero, Planner I, (442)265-1736, ext. 1748
- 4. Address: 801 Main Street, El Centro CA, 92243
- 5. **E-mail**: gerardoguero@co.imperial.ca.us
- 6. Project location: 950 W. Lindsey Road, Calipatria, CA 92233, Assessor's Parcel Number (APN) 020-110-031
- 7. Project sponsor's name and address: KUDU, Inc.

696 N. 8<sup>TH</sup> Street, Brawley, CA 92227

- 8. General Plan designation: Agriculture
- 9. Zoning: A-3-G (Heavy Agricultural with Geothermal Overlay)
- 10. **Description of project**: The applicant, KUDU, Inc., is proposing a minor subdivision to separate a parcel with two existing agricultural fields into two legal parcels. The subject property contains approximately 321.92 Acres. The reason behind the proposed parcel map is for a land sale.

The proposed Parcel 1 will have physical and legal access from Boyle Road and will continue to receive irrigation water from Vail Lateral 4A, Delivery 457. It will also continue to drain northwest to Vail 5 Drain. The proposed Parcel 1 will be approximately 161.77 Acres and will remain as agricultural.

The proposed Parcel 2 will have physical and legal access from Lindsey Road and will continue to receive irrigation water from Vail Lateral 4A, Delivery 455. It will continue to continue to drain northwest to Vail 5 Drain. The proposed Parcel 2 will be approximately 160.15 Acres and will remain as agricultural.

11. **Surrounding land uses and setting**: The project is located between Severe Road and Boyle Road, bounded to the south by Lindsey Road in the County of Imperial, CA. The subject property is described as being Lots 5 and 6; The South Half of the Northwest Quarter; and the Southwest Quarter of Section 4, Township 12 South, Range 13 East of the San Bernardino Base and Meridian, containing approximately 321.92 Acres. The property is also known as Assessor's Parcel Number (APN) 020-110-031.

The project is surrounded by parcels zoned as A-3-G (Heavy Agricultural with Geothermal Overlay) and A-3-RE (Heavy Agriculture with Renewable Energy Overlay) on the North; parcels zoned as A-3-G (Heavy Agricultural with Geothermal Overlay) on the South; parcels zoned as A-3-G (Heavy Agricultural with Geothermal Overlay) on the West; and parcels zoned as A-3-G (Heavy Agricultural with Geothermal Overlay) and M-2-G (Medium Industrial with Geothermal Overlay) on the East.

- 12. Other public agencies whose approval is required (e.g., permits, financing approval, or participation agreement.): Planning Commission.
- 13. Have California Native American tribes traditionally and culturally affiliated with the project area requested consultation pursuant to Public Resources Code section 21080.3.1? If so, is there a plan for consultation that includes, for example, the determination of significance of impacts to tribal cultural resources, procedures regarding confidentially, etc.?

The Quechan and Torres Martinez Desert Cahuilla Indian Tribes have requested to be consulted under Assembly Bill 52. Consultation letters were sent to the Quechan and Torres Martinez Desert Cahuilla Indian Tribes. The County received on July 21, 2022, an email response from the Quechan Indian Tribe advising they had no comments for this project. No comments have been received from Torres Martinez Desert Cahuilla Indian Tribe for this project to this date.

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL FACTORS POTENTIALLY AFFECTED:**

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	Aesthetics		Agriculture and Forestry Resource	es 🗆	Air Quality	
	Biological Resources		Cultural Resources		Energy	
	Geology /Soils		Greenhouse Gas Emissions		Hazards & Hazardous Mater	rials
	Hydrology / Water Quality		Land Use / Planning		Mineral Resources	
	Noise		Population / Housing		Public Services	
	Recreation		Transportation		Tribal Cultural Resources	
	Utilities/Service Systems		Wildfire		Mandatory Findings of Signi	ficance
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#### PROJECT SUMMARY

- A. Project Location: The project is located at 950 W. Linsey Road, Calipatria, CA 92233; Assessor's Parcel Number: 020-110-031.
- B. Project Summary: The applicant, KUDU, Inc., proposes a minor subdivision to separate a parcel with two existing agricultural fields into two legal parcels. Proposed Parcel 1 would be approximately 161.77 Acres and Proposed Parcel 2 approximately 160.15 Acres. Existing agricultural use is proposed to remain.
- C. Environmental Setting: The proposed project parcel is generally flat, located between Severe Road and Boyle Road, bounded to the south by Lindsey Road in the County of Imperial, CA, and currently use as agricultural. Surrounding parcel uses are Heavy Agricultural and Medium Industrial with Geothermal and Renewable Energy Overlays. The City of Calipatria is located approximately 5.5 miles southeast of the project site.
- D. Analysis: Under the Land Use Element of the Imperial County General Plan, the project site is designated as "Agriculture." It is classified as A-3-G (Heavy Agricultural with Geothermal Overlay) per Zone Map #53 of the Imperial County Land Use Ordinance (Title 9). Initial Study #22-0028 will analyze any impacts related with the proposed project.
  The proposed subdivision is projecting (2) two parcels: proposed Parcel 1 with approximately ±161.77 Acres and proposed Parcel 2 with approximately ±160.15 Acres, which complies with Section 90805 of the Imperial County Land Use Ordinance (Title 9). Both proposed parcels are to remain in agricultural use.
- E. General Plan Consistency: The project is located within the County's General Plan designation of "Agriculture." The site is currently zoned as A-3-G (Heavy Agricultural with Geothermal Overlay). The proposed project could be considered consistent with the General Plan and County Land Use Ordinance, Section 90509, since no change is being proposed to the existing "Agriculture" designation.

Exhibit "A" Vicinity Map



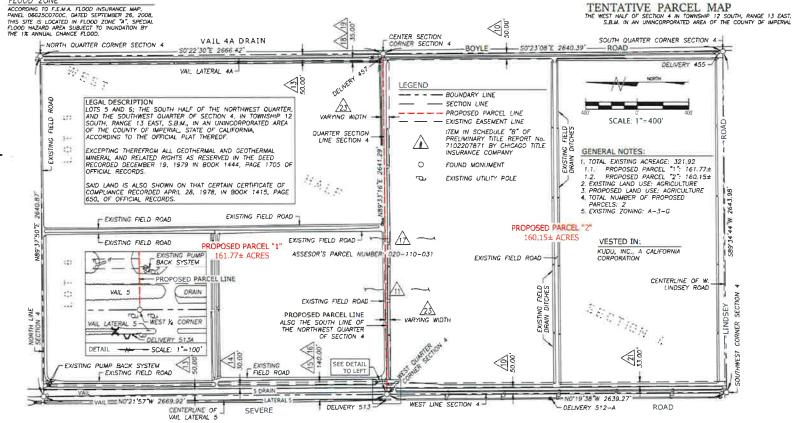


KUDU INC. PARCEL MAP# 02501 APN# 020-110-031





FLOOD ZONE



#### **EVALUATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS:**

- A brief explanation is required for all answers except "No Impact" answers that are adequately supported by the information sources a lead agency cites in the parentheses following each question. A "No Impact" answer is adequately supported if the referenced information sources show that the impact simply does not apply to projects like the one involved (e.g., the project falls outside a fault rupture zone). A "No Impact" answer should be explained where it is based on project-specific factors as well as general standards (e.g., the project will not expose sensitive receptors to pollutants, based on a project-specific screening analysis).
- 2) All answers must take account of the whole action involved, including off-site as well as on-site, cumulative as well as project-level, indirect as well as direct, and construction as well as operational impacts.
- Once the lead agency has determined that a particular physical impact may occur, then the checklist answers must indicate whether the impact is potentially significant, less than significant with mitigation, or less than significant. "Potentially Significant Impact" is appropriate if there is substantial evidence that an effect may be significant. If there are one or more "Potentially Significant Impact" entries when the determination is made, an EIR is required.
- "Negative Declaration: Less Than Significant With Mitigation Incorporated" applies where the incorporation of mitigation measures has reduced an effect from "Potentially Significant Impact" to a "Less Than Significant Impact." The lead agency must describe the mitigation measures, and briefly explain how they reduce the effect to a less than significant level (mitigation measures from "Earlier Analyses," as described in (5) below, may be cross-referenced).
- Earlier analyses may be used where, pursuant to the tiering, program EIR, or other CEQA process, an effect has been adequately analyzed in an earlier EIR or negative declaration. Section 15063(c)(3)(D). In this case, a brief discussion should identify the following:
  - a) Earlier Analysis Used. Identify and state where they are available for review.
  - b) Impacts Adequately Addressed. Identify which effects from the above checklist were within the scope of and adequately analyzed in an earlier document pursuant to applicable legal standards, and state whether such effects were addressed by mitigation measures based on the earlier analysis.
  - c) Mitigation Measures. For effects that are "Less than Significant with Mitigation Measures Incorporated," describe the mitigation measures which were incorporated or refined from the earlier document and the extent to which they address site-specific conditions for the project.
- 6) Lead agencies are encouraged to incorporate into the checklist references to information sources for potential impacts (e.g., general plans, zoning ordinances). Reference to a previously prepared or outside document should, where appropriate, include a reference to the page or pages where the statement is substantiated.
- 7) Supporting Information Sources: A source list should be attached, and other sources used or individuals contacted should be cited in the discussion.
- 8) This is only a suggested form, and lead agencies are free to use different formats; however, lead agencies should normally address the questions from this checklist that are relevant to a project's environmental effects in whatever format is selected.
- 9) The explanation of each issue should identify:
  - a) the significance criteria or threshold, if any, used to evaluate each question; and
  - b) the mitigation measure identified, if any, to reduce the impact to less than significance



		Potentially Significant Impact (PSI)	Significant Unless Mitigation Incorporated (PSUMI)	Less Than Significant Impact (LTSI)	No Impact (NI)
. AES	STHETICS				
Except	as provided in Public Resources Code Section 21099, would the p	oroject:			
a)	Have a substantial adverse effect on a scenic vista or scenic highway?  a) Four areas within the County have the potential as state located near any scenic vista or scenic highway according Highway Element <sup>1</sup> . No impacts are expected.	e-designated sc g to the Imperio	enic highways; howeval County General Pla	ver, the project an Circulation	⊠ t site is not and Scenic
b)	Substantially damage scenic resources, including, but not limited to trees, rock outcroppings, and historic buildings within a state scenic highway?  b) As previously stated on section (I)(a), the proposed project not substantially damage any scenic resources. No impacts	et is not located are expected.	near a scenic vista or	scenic highwa	⊠ y and would
c)	In non-urbanized areas, substantially degrade the existing visual character or quality of public views of the site and its surrounding? (Public views are those that are experienced from publicly accessible vantage point.) If the project is in an urbanized area, would the project conflict with applicable zoning and other regulations governing scenic quality?  c) The proposed project would not substantially or physically of the site and its surroundings since the existing agriculture.	y degrade the exal uses are prop	xisting visual characte	or or quality of propacts are expe	⊠ public views ected.
d)	Create a new source of substantial light or glare which would adversely affect day or nighttime views in the area? d) The proposed project is for a minor subdivision to separ However, it is not expected that a new source if substantial light or glare. No impacts are expected.	rate (2) two exis	ting agricultural fields	into (2) two le	⊠ egal parcels. views in the
n.	AGRICULTURE AND FOREST RESOURCES				
Agricu use in enviro	ermining whether impacts to agricultural resources are significal ltural Land Evaluation and Site Assessment Model (1997) prepare assessing impacts on agriculture and farmland. In determining when nmental effects, lead agencies may refer to information compiled ate's inventory of forest land, including the Forest and Range Asset of measurement methodology provided in Forest Protocols adopted	d by the Californinether impacts to by the California essment Project a	a Department of Conse forest resources, incluing Department of Forestry and the Forest Legacy A	rvation as an op ding timberland, and Fire Prote Assessment pro	are significant ction regarding ject; and forest
a)	Convert Prime Farmland, Unique Farmland, or Farmland of Statewide Importance (Farmland), as shown on the maps prepared pursuant to the Farmland Mapping and Monitoring Program of the California Resources Agency, to non-agricultural use?  a) The proposed project site is listed as "Prime Farmland Imperial County Important Farmland 2018 Map <sup>2</sup> . Therefore, the Unique Farmland, or Farmland of Statewide Importance to the statewide Importance Importance Importance Importance Import	he proposed pro	oject will not convert a	ny type of Prin	⊠ ng Program: ne Farmland,
b)	Conflict with existing zoning for agricultural use, or a Williamson Act Contract?  b) The County of Imperial has no current active Williamson	Act contracts:	therefore the propose	 ed minor subdi	⊠ vision is not
	expected to conflict with existing zoning for agricultural use	e, or a Williamso	on Act Contract. No Im	pacts are expe	cted.
c)	Conflict with existing zoning for, or cause rezoning of, forest land (as defined in Public Resources Code section 12220(g)), timberland (as defined by Public Resources Code section 4526), or timberland zoned Timberland Production (as defined by Government Code Section 51104(g))?  c) The proposed project is consistent with the zoning, and not expected to conflict with existing zoning for, or cause	it is not located	within a forestland or	r timberland; th	errefore, it is

Potentially

		Potentially Significant Impact (PSI)	Potentially Significant Unless Mitigation Incorporated (PSUMI)	Less Than Significant Impact (LTSI)	No Impact (NI)
	section 12220(g)), timberland (as defined by Public Resou Production (as defined by Government Code Section 5114(g))	urces Code se . No impacts a	ection 4526), or timbo re expected.	erland zoned	Timberland
d)	Result in the loss of forest land or conversion of forest land to				$\boxtimes$
	non-forest use? d) The proposed project is not located in a forest land, there conversion of forest land to non-forest. No impacts are expec	efore, it is not ted.	expected to result in	the loss of for	rest land or
e)	Involve other changes in the existing environment which, due to their location or nature, could result in conversion of Farmland, to non-agricultural use or conversion of forest land to non-forest use?  e) The proposed project is for a minor subdivision to separat No new construction is proposed as a result of this project and result in the conversion of farmland. Therefore, no impacts are	d is not expecte	ing agricultural fields ed to change the existi	into (2) two le	⊠ gal parcels. nt that could
AIF	QUALITY				
Where relied	available, the significance criteria established by the applicable air opports the following determinations. Would the Project:	quality managen	nent district or air polluti	ion control distri	ct may be
a)	Conflict with or obstruct implementation of the applicable air quality plan?			$\boxtimes$	
b)	agricultural operations are to comply with Rule 806 – Consent the amount of coarse Particulate Matter (PM-10) entrained Agricultural Operation Sites. Adherence and compliance to A significant.  Result in a cumulatively considerable net increase of any	in the ambier	nt air as a result of e	emissions gen	erated from
D)	criteria pollutant for which the project region is non-attainment under an applicable federal or state ambient air quality standard?			$\boxtimes$	
	b) As previously stated under item (III)(a) above, any future of imperial County Air Pollution Control District, therefore, it is contribute to an existing or projected air quality violation. The	s not expected	I that the proposed p	roject would s	substantially
c)	Expose sensitive receptors to substantial pollutants concentrations?			$\boxtimes$	
	c) The proposed project is for a minor subdivision to create (2 proposed as a result of this project. The proposed subdivision pollutants concentrations. Compliance with ACPD's required than significant.	on is not expec	ted to expose sensitiv	re receptors to	substantial
d)	Result in other emissions (such as those leading to odors adversely affecting a substantial number of people?			$\boxtimes$	
	d) As previously stated on item (III)(c) above, the proposed odors that would adversely affect a substantial number of peowith ACPD's requirements, rules, and regulations and adher less than significant.	ple. Also, as pr	eviously stated on iten	n (III)(b) above,	, compliance
/. <b>B</b> IO	DLOGICAL RESOURCES Would the project:				
a)	Have a substantial adverse effect, either directly or through habitat modifications, on any species identified as a candidate, sensitive, or special status species in local or regional plans,			$\boxtimes$	
	policies or regulations, or by the California Department of Fish		FF	CORIO	GINAL P

Impact No Impact Impact Incorporated (PSUMI) (LTSI) (NI) (PSI) and Wildlife or U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service? a) The proposed project site is located within disturbed land. According to the Imperial County General Plan's Conservation and Open Space Element<sup>4</sup>, Figure 1 "Sensitive Habitat Map<sup>4a</sup>," the project is not located within a sensitive habitat area. Additionally, in accordance to Figure 2 "Sensitive Species Map4b," the project is located within the Burrowing Owl Species Distribution Model area. However, the proposed project does not expect to have any physical changes to the environment. Consequently, it does not appear to have a substantially adverse effect, either directly or through habitat modification, or to any species identified as a candidate, sensitive, or of special status in local or regional plans, policies, or regulations, or by the California Department of Fish and Wildlife Service. Any future developments on site, the applicant shall contact ICPDS; therefore, any impacts are expected to be less than significant. Have a substantial adverse effect on any riparian habitat or other sensitive natural community identified in local or regional plans, policies, regulations, or by the California Department of Fish and Wildlife or U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service? b) According to the Imperial County General Plan's Conservation and Open Space Element<sup>4</sup>, the project site is not within a sensitive or riparian habitat, or on other sensitive natural community. Additionally, the existing agricultural use is proposed to remain; therefore, it does not appear to have a substantial effect in local regional plans, policies, and regulations with respect to sensitive natural communities or by the California Department of Fish and Wildlife or U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. Any impacts are expected to be less than significant. Have a substantial adverse effect on state or federally protected wetlands (including, but not limited to, marsh, vernal  $\boxtimes$ pool, coastal, etc.) through direct removal, filling, hydrological interruption, or other means? c) As previously stated on item (IV)(b) above, the proposed project is for a minor subdivision that is not located within a riparian habitat and which will not cause a substantial adverse effect on federal protected wetlands (including, but not limited to, marsh, vernal pool, coastal, etc.) through direct removal, filling, hydrological interruption, or other means. Any impacts are expected to be less than significant. Interfere substantially with the movement of any resident or migratory fish or wildlife species or with established native  $\boxtimes$ resident or migratory wildlife corridors, or impede the use of native wildlife nursery sites? d) The proposed project site has an existing agricultural use in an area of approximately ±321.92 acres where no physical alterations to the environment are proposed. Additionally, as previously stated on item (IV)(b) above, the project site is not located within a Sensitive Habitat; therefore, it would not interfere substantially with the movement of any resident or migratory fish or wildlife species or with established native resident or migratory wildlife corridors, or impede the use of native wildlife nursery sites. Any impacts are expected to be less than significant. Conflict with any local policies or ordinance protecting  $\times$ biological resource, such as a tree preservation policy or ordinance? e) The proposed project does not conflict with any local policy or ordinance protecting biological resources, such as tree preservation policies or ordinances. No impacts are expected. Conflict with the provisions of an adopted Habitat Conservation Plan, Natural Community Conservation Plan, or П other approved local, regional, or state habitat conservation f) The proposed project is for a minor subdivision to create (2) parcels and is not within a designated sensitive area according to the Imperial County General Plan's Conservation and Open Space Element<sup>4</sup>, therefore, it would not conflict with the provisions of an adopted Habitat Conservation Plan, Natural Community Conservation Plan, or other approved local, regional, or state habitat conservation plan. Any impacts are expected to be less than significant. V. CULTURAL RESOURCES Would the project: Cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a historical resource pursuant to §15064.5? a) According to the Imperial County General Plan's Conservation and Open Space Element<sup>4</sup>, Figure 5, the project site is not located within an "Area of Heightened Historic Period Sensitivity4c." Additionally, in accordance with Figurate (Known A

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_	of Native American Cultural Sensitivity <sup>4d</sup> ," does not locate the proposed project within a designated area of possible impact. Also, on July 21, 2022, the County received an email from the Quechan Historic Preservation Officer stating they had no comments on this project <sup>5</sup> . The site is already disturbed with existing agricultural operations with no documented nor known historical resources. Any impacts are expected to be less than significant.							
b)	Cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of an			$\boxtimes$				
	archaeological resource pursuant to §15064.5?  b) The proposed project is located on already disturbed land known archeological resources. The proposed minor subdivi archeological resource. Any impacts are expected to be less	sion is not likel	y to cause a substantia	with no docun al adverse cha	nented nor nge to any			
c)	Disturb any human remains, including those interred outside			$\boxtimes$				
	of dedicated cemeteries?  c) As previously stated on items (V)(a) and (V)(b) above, the cemeteries, therefore, the proposed minor subdivision work outside of dedicated cemeteries. Any impacts are expected to	ıld not disturb	any human remains,	within or adja including the	cent to any se interred			
VI. <b>EN</b>	ERGY Would the project:							
a)	Result in potentially significant environmental impact due to wasteful, inefficient, or unnecessary consumption of energy resources, during project construction or operation?			$\boxtimes$				
	a) The proposed project is for a minor subdivision that is currently agricultural, therefore, it will not result in potentially or unnecessary consumption of energy resources, during the construction occur, said developments would require complete a new building permit application with the Imperial County Place of the less than significant.	y significant en le project cons lance with the l	vironmental impact du truction or operation. S atest edition of the Cal	e to wasteful, Should any ne ifornia Buildin	w habitable g Code and			
b)	Conflict with or obstruct a state or local plan for renewable energy or energy efficiency?			$\boxtimes$				
VII. <b>G</b> E	b) As previously stated on item (VI)(a) above, the proposed changes in the existing use. Future, new developments w renewable energy standards and regulations. Therefore, the plan for renewable energy or energy efficiency. Any impacts	ould require co proposed project	ompliance with the lat ct will not conflict with	est energy en or obstruct a s	iciency and			
a)	Directly or indirectly cause potential substantial adverse	П	П	$\boxtimes$				
,	effects, including risk of loss, injury, or death involving:  a) The proposed subdivision does not appear to conflict with the geology and soils of adjacent parcels in the area as no proposed developments are anticipated at the time. Additionally, the existing agricultural operations are proposed to remain. Should any new, future developments are to occur on the parcels, such will be subjected to compliance with the latest edition of the California Building Code as well as to go through a ministerial building permit review. Therefore, the proposed project would not directly or indirectly cause potential substantial adverse effects regarding impacts to geology and soils. Any expected are expected to be less than significant.							
	<ol> <li>Rupture of a known earthquake fault, as delineated on the most recent Alquist-Priolo Earthquake Fault Zoning Map issued by the State Geologist for the area or based on other substantial evidence of a known fault? Refer to Division of Mines and Geology Special Publication 42?</li> <li>Although the most recent Alquist-Priolo Earthquake within any Earthquake Fault Zones, it is still located with northwest of the Imperial Fault according to the Californ Quaternary Faults Map<sup>8</sup> indicating seismic ground she Seismic Zone D per the Uniform Building Code, which incorporate the most stringent earthquake resistant meither parcel, such will be subject to compliance with through an administrative building permit review. Adher</li> </ol>	thin the Brawle nia Fault Activit aking is expect required that a easures. Shoul he latest editio	y Seismic Zone and ap y Map <sup>7</sup> and the United <sup>(</sup> :ted. However, Imperi iny developments with Id any new, future dev n of the California Buil	proximately 1: States Geological County is doing this zone be elopments are ding Code as	o miles away cal Survey's classified as e required to to occur on well as to go			

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		bring any impacts to less than significant.				
	2)	Strong Seismic ground shaking?  2) The proposed project is for a minor subdivision when no new developments. As previously stated on item (VII)( Seismic Zone and approximately 15 miles away northweexpected. Adherence to the latest edition of the Califor building permit review would bring any impacts to less the strong strong and strong	a)(1) above, the est of the Imper nia Building Co	e proposed project is lo rial Fault, indicating so ode and as well as to	ocated within t eismic ground	he Brawley shaking is
	3)	Seismic-related ground failure, including liquefaction and seiche/tsunami?  3) As previously stated on item (VII)(a)(2) above, the padditionally, the project site is not located in a seiche/tsuare expected to be less than significant.	oroposed proje Inami area per t	ct does not anticipate the California Tsunami	⊠ e any new dev Data Maps <sup>9</sup> . A	elopments. .ny impacts
	4)	Landslides? 4) According to Imperial County General Plan's Seismic a 2, the proposed project is not located within a landslide is generally flat; therefore, no impacts are expected.	nnd Public Safel activity area. T	ty Element <sup>10</sup> , "Landslic he topography within	de Activity Map	⊠ <sup>10a</sup> ," Figure project site
b)	b) A the	sult in substantial soil erosion or the loss of topsoil?  According to Imperial County General Plan's Seismic and F proposed project is not located within an area of substant nificant.	Dublic Safety Eliial soil erosion	ement <sup>10</sup> , "Erosion Act . Any impacts are expo	⊠ ivity Map <sup>106</sup> ," F ected to be les	igure 3, s than
c)	pote sub c) 1 pro wit	located on a geologic unit or soil that is unstable or that uld become unstable as a result of the project, and entially result in on- or off-site landslides, lateral spreading, isidence, liquefaction or collapse?  The proposed project site is not located on a geological uposed minor subdivision. Should any future construction in the latest edition of the California Building Code as well a discompliance to these standards and regulations would bri	occur on eithers to go through	er parcel, such will be a ministerial building	subjected to opermit review.	compliance
d)	Buil or p d) 1 to t loc sec reg	located on expansive soil, as defined in the latest Uniform Iding Code, creating substantial direct or indirect risk to life property?  The proposed project is for a minor subdivision on already the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Natural Resources Coated on an area containing Holtville, Imperial-Glenbar, and tion (VII)(c), any new developments will require adherence relations, as well as to go through a ministerial building nificant.	nservation Ser I Indio silty clay and complianc	vice "Soil Maps, <sup>11</sup> " the ess and loams. Howeve e to the California Buil	e proposed pro r, as previousl ding Code, sta	oject site is ly stated on indards and
e)	sep whe wat e) I on cor app	we soils incapable of adequately supporting the use of otic tanks or alternative waste water disposal systems are sewers are not available for the disposal of waste ter?  No proposed developments are anticipated as the existing September 15, 2022, ICPDS an email response from the mments for the project based on their preliminary review; I proval. Any future construction proposing any septic or olicable standards and regulations from the Imperial Counterence and compliance to these standards would bring a	Department of nowever, they re alternative wa ty Public Health	f Environmental Healt eserve the right to cor ste water disposal sy n Department, Division	h <sup>12</sup> advising t nment on such rstems shall c	hey had no n prior to its omply with
f)	or s f) T not	ectly or indirectly destroy a unique paleontological resource site or unique geologic feature? The project site is located on already disturbed land with extrappear to directly or indirectly destroy a unique paleonto pacts are expected to be less than significant.	xisting agricultu logical resourc	ural operations. The peep or site of unique geo	⊠ roposed subdi ologic feature o	vision does on site. Any

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l. <b>GR</b>	REENHOUSE GAS EMISSION Would the project:				
a)	Generate greenhouse gas emissions, either directly or indirectly, that may have a significant impact on the environment?			$\boxtimes$	
	a) The proposed minor subdivision is for with already distudevelopments proposed. The action is not expected to general may have a significant impact on the environment. Additionally letter <sup>3</sup> dated July 26, 2022, existing agricultural operations are twhich regulates the reduction of the amount of coarse Partice emissions generated from Agricultural Operation Sites. Adhere any impacts to less than significant.	ite greenhouse y, per Imperial to comply with ulate Matter (P	e gas emissions, either County Air Pollution C Rule 806 – Conservati PM-10) entrained in the	r directly or inc Control Distric on Manageme ambient air a	t's comment nt Practices, s a result of
b)	Conflict with an applicable plan or policy or regulation adopted for the purpose of reducing the emissions of greenhouse cases?			$\boxtimes$	
	b) The proposed project would not conflict with any regular reducing the emissions of greenhouse gases to 1990 lever regulations. Less than significant impacts are expected.	tions under A els by 2020 p	B 32 Global Warming rovided that the app	Solutions Acticant adheres	t of 2006, of to APCD's
X. <b>H</b> A	AZARDS AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS Would the project				
a)	Create a significant hazard to the public or the environment through the routine transport, use, or disposal of hazardous materials?				
	a) The proposed project is not expected to create a significant the handling of any hazardous materials. No impacts are expe	t hazard to the ected.	public or the environ	ment as it doe	s not involve
b)	Create a significant hazard to the public or the environment through reasonable foreseeable upset and accident conditions				$\boxtimes$
	involving the release of hazardous materials into the environment?  b) The proposed minor subdivision is not expected to crea reasonable foreseeable upset and accident conditions involv no hazardous materials are anticipated as part of the project.	ing the release	e of hazardous materia	ic or environn als into the en	nent through vironment as
c)	Emit hazardous emissions or handle hazardous or acutely hazardous materials, substances, or waste within one-quarter				$\boxtimes$
	mile of an existing or proposed school?  c) The proposed project does not anticipate the emitting of hazardous materials, substance, or waste as previously state is not located within a ¼ mile of any schools. The nearest schools miles southeast of the proposed project site; therefore, it are expected.	d on items (IX) ool in the area	(a) and (IX)(b) above. A is Calipatria High Sch	ool, which is a	e project site pproximately
d)	Be located on a site, which is included on a list of hazardous materials sites compiled pursuant to Government Code Section 65962.5 and, as a result, would it create a significant hazard to the public or the environment?				⊠ to California
	d) The proposed project is not located on a site included Department of Toxic Substances Control EnviroStor <sup>13</sup> ; theref	on a list of na ore, no impact	ts are expected.	ies according	to camornia
e)	For a project located within an airport land use plan or, where such a plan has not been adopted, within two miles of a public airport or public use airport, would the project result in a safety hazard or excessive noise for people residing or working in the project area?				$\boxtimes$
	e) The proposed project is not located within an airport land Maps <sup>14</sup> . The nearest airport in the area is the Calipatria Mur	d use plan per nicipal Airport	Imperial County Airp located approximate	ort Land Use	Compatibility

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f)	Impair implementation of or physically interfere with an adopted emergency response plan or emergency evacuation plan?				$\boxtimes$
	f) The proposed minor subdivision would not interfere with a plan. The applicant will meet any requirements requested by				
g)	Expose people or structures, either directly or indirectly, to a significant risk of loss, injury or death involving wildland fires?			$\boxtimes$	
	g) According to Cal Fire "Fire Hazard Severity Zones in State 7, 2007, the proposed project site is located within an uninco proposed. Should any future construction occur on either pa have either a private water or public source as pressurized would bring any impacts to less than significant.	rporated Local rcel, such may	Responsibility Area. No be subject to the inclu	lew developme sion of fire spr	ents are not inklers and
НΥ	DROLOGY AND WATER QUALITY Would the project:				
a)	Violate any water quality standards or waste discharge requirements or otherwise substantially degrade surface or ground water quality?			$\boxtimes$	
	a) The proposed minor subdivision is to separate two agricul water quality standards or waste discharge requirements or quality. Additionally, on September 6, 2022, the County receivadvising they had no comments for this project <sup>16</sup> . Therefore,	otherwise subst ved an email res	antially degrade surfa- sponse from the Imper	ce or ground w ial Irrigation D	<i>r</i> ater istrict
b)	Substantially decrease groundwater supplies or interfere substantially with groundwater recharge such that the project may impede sustainable groundwater management of the basin?			$\boxtimes$	
	<ul> <li>b) The proposed project proposes to continue the existing groundwater supplies or interfere substantially with ground groundwater management of the basin. Any impacts are expenses.</li> </ul>	water recharge	such that the project		
c)	Substantially alter the existing drainage pattern of the site or area, including through the alteration of the course of a stream or river or through the addition of impervious surfaces, in a manner which would:				
	c) Although the proposed subdivision is located approximal physical alteration to the site that would substantially alter the alteration of the course or a stream or river or though the project will be required to submit a grading and drainage let regulations prior to the recordation of the proposed parcel m impacts to less than significant.	e existing draina ne addition of ir ter according to	age pattern of the site on pervious surfaces. A the Imperial County	or area, includi dditionally, the Public Works I	ng through proposed Department
	(i) result in substantial erosion or siltation on- or off-site;			$\boxtimes$	
	(i) According to Imperial County General Plan's Seismic and the proposed subdivision is not located within an area of sub the proposed project will continue with the existing agricultu	stantial soil ero	sion or siltation on- o	r off-site. Addit	ionally,
	<ul> <li>impacts are expected to be less than significant.</li> <li>(ii) substantially increase the rate or amount of surface runoff in a manner which would result in flooding on- or offsite;</li> </ul>			×	
	(ii) As previously stated on item (X)(c)(i) above, the propose not expected to substantially increase the rate or amount of offsite. Compliance with Imperial County Public Works Depar	surface runoff in	n a manner which wou	ld result in floo	dina on-or

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		<ul> <li>(iii) create or contribute runoff water which would exceed the capacity of existing or planned stormwater drainage systems or provide substantial additional sources of polluted runoff; or;</li> </ul>					
		(iii) As previously stated on item (X)(c) above, Imperial Count the recordation of the proposed parcel map which shall clea drainage resulting from the subdivision will be managed o Imperial County Public Works Department standards would than significant.	rly show all on- r controlled to	site grading and shall prevent any adverse i	demonstrate r mpacts. Comp	now off-site	
		(iv) impede or redirect flood flows?			$\boxtimes$		
		(iv) According to the Federal Emergency Management Age Map, the proposed project site is located within "Zone A" of fino new developments are proposed and existing agricultura or redirect flood flows. Additionally, a reviewed and approved Public Works Department. Therefore, compliance with IC significant.	lood map 06025 al operations ard d grading/draina	C0700C, effective Sept e to remain and as a re age letter is to be requir	ember 26, 200 esult, it would ed by the Impe	8. However, not impede erial County	
	d)	In flood hazard, tsunami, or seiche zones, risk release of			$\boxtimes$		
		pollutants due to project inundation? d) The proposed project will continue with the existing again impacts related to risk release of pollutants due to project is stated on item (X)(c)(iv) above, even though the proposed procompliance with ICPWD's standards would contribute to less	nundation are c oject site is loca	onsidered to be low. A ated within "Zone A" o	dditionally, as f flood map 06	previously	
	e)	Conflict with or obstruct implementation of a water quality control plan or sustainable groundwater management plan?  e) As previously stated on item (X)(c) above, the proposed County Public Works Department prior to the recordation subdivision would conflict with or obstruct the implementa management plan. Any impacts are expected to be less than	of the parcel m tion of a water	iap; therefore, it is no	t expected tha	it the minor	
XI.	LA	ND USE AND PLANNING Would the project:	·				
	a)	Physically divide an established community?  a) The proposed minor subdivision is to separate a parcel and would not physically divide an established community. At the existing land use designation and zoning; therefore, no	Additionally, eac	ch proposed parcel doe	elds into two less not anticipat	⊠ egal parcels te to change	
	b)	Cause a significant environmental impact due to a conflict with any land use plan, policy, or regulation adopted for the purpose of avoiding or mitigating an environmental effect?  b) As previously stated on item (XI)(a) above, the propose Section 90303.02 (length to width ratio) and Section 90303. shall contain less than 40 acres gross. Additionally, the present Land Use Ordinance; therefore, no impacts are expected.	01 (lot size) as	no portion of any lot	parcel within t	ne A-3 zone	
XII.	MII	NERAL RESOURCES Would the project:					
	a)	Result in the loss of availability of a known mineral resource that would be of value to the region and the residents of the state?		one and it is not leasts	d within the h	⊠ oundaries of	
		<ul> <li>a) The proposed project does not anticipate the removal of an active mine per Imperial County General Plan's Conser Map<sup>4e</sup>" Figure 8. No impacts are expected.</li> </ul>	mineral resource rvation and Ope	en Space Element⁴, "E	xisting Minera	Resources GINAL	PKG

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	b)	Result in the loss of availability of a locally-important mineral				
	IJ,	resource recovery site delineated on a local general plan,				$\boxtimes$
		specific plan or other land use plan?		_	_	
		b) The proposed minor subdivision will not result in the loss	of availability	of locally-important mi	neral resource	es recovery
		site delineated on a local general plan, specific plan or other	iano use pian. r	vo impacts are expecte	ea.	
XIII.	NO	ISE Would the project result in:				
	a)	Generation of a substantial temporary or permanent increase				
		in ambient noise levels in the vicinity of the project in excess			$\boxtimes$	
		of standards established in the local general plan or noise	لسا			_
		ordinance, or applicable standards of other agencies?  a) The proposed project is for a minor subdivision to separ.	ate two existing	agricultural fields the	at would not re	esult in the
		generation of temporary or permanent noise beyond that w				
		construction is to occur, such action would be subject to the	e Imperial Coun	ty General Plan's Nois	e Element <sup>18</sup> w	hich states
		that construction equipment operation shall be limited to the	hours of 7 a.m	n. to 7 p.m., Monday th	rough Friday,	and from 9
		a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday. Additionally, construction noise from 75 dB Leq when averaged over an eight (8) hour period. Co	om a single piec	e of equipment or com	bination, shall ral Blan's Noi	not exceed
		would bring any impacts to less than significant.	omphance with	imperial County Gene	I AI FIAII S NOI	se Element
	b)	Generation of excessive groundborne vibration or			$\boxtimes$	
		groundborne noise levels? b) The proposed subdivision does not anticipate any changes	to the existing	aricultural uses on the	nowly propos	ed parcels
		Additionally, as previously stated on item (XIII)(a) above, any f				
		Plan's Noise Element. Any impacts are expected to be less th				,
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	c)	For a project located within the vicinity of a private airstrip or				
	C)	an airport land use plan or where such a plan has not been				
		adopted, within two miles of a public airport or public use				$\boxtimes$
		airport, would the project expose people residing or working in				
		the project area to excessive noise levels?	_f		44	a.d
		c) The proposed project site is not located within the vicinity	of a private airs	strip; therefore, no imp	act are expect	eu.
XIV.	POI	PULATION AND HOUSING Would the project:				
	a)	Induce substantial unplanned population growth in an area,				
	ω,	either directly (for example, by proposing new homes and			$\boxtimes$	
		business) or indirectly (for example, through extension of	Ш	Ш		
		roads or other infrastructure)?	natial unplanace	d nanulation arouth in	an area sithe	r directly or
		The proposed minor subdivision would not induce a substaindirectly, as no changes to the existing agricultural use are	antial unplanned nronosed. Ther	a population growth in efore, any impacts are	an area, either	e less than
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	b)	Displace substantial numbers of existing people or housing, necessitating the construction of replacement housing			$\boxtimes$	
		elsewhere?	Ш	Ш		
		b) The minor subdivision will not displace substantial num	bers of people	necessitating the con	struction or re	eplacement
		housing elsewhere as it has an existing agricultural use with n	o future develo	pments are proposed. <i>i</i>	Any impacts ar	e expected
		to be less than significant.				
XV.	PL	IBLIC SERVICES				
	a)	Would the project result in substantial adverse physical				
	۵)	impacts associated with the provision of new or physically	~_Ir			1922
		altered governmental facilities, need for new or physically			$\boxtimes$	
		altered governmental facilities, the construction of which could				
		cause significant environmental impacts, in order to maintain		FF	ORIC	INAL PKO

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-	b)	Would the project conflict or be inconsistent with the CEQA Guidelines section 15064.3, subdivision (b)? b) The proposed minor subdivision will not conflict or be incompleted.				
		(b) as it is not expected to have a significant transportation the existing land use. Additionally, the proposed project sit stop or a stop along an existing high quality transit corridor	e is not located t	within 1/2 mile of eithe	r an existing m	
	c)	Substantially increases hazards due to a geometric design feature (e.g., sharp curves or dangerous intersections) or incompatible uses (e.g., farm equipment)?			⊠ Coverty Corners	I Dien Land
		<ul> <li>c) The existing agricultural use on the proposed subdivision Use Designation and the site design is not expected to increasing any new development and expecting current agricultural of less than significant.</li> </ul>	se hazards. Addi	tionally, the proposed	d project does n	ot propose
	d)	Result in inadequate emergency access?			$\boxtimes$	
		d) The proposed project would not result in inadequate eme zoning are proposed. Proposed parcel 1 will have legal and Lindsey Road. Both proposed accesses appear to be suitabl are expected.	physical access	from Boyle Road whi	ile proposed pa	rcel 2 from
XVIII	T	RIBAL CULTURAL RESOURCES				
	a)	Would the project cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a tribal cultural resource, defined in Public Resources Code Section 21074 as either a site, feature, place, cultural landscape that is geographically defined in terms of the size and scope of the landscape, sacred place or object with cultural value to a California Native American tribe, and that is:				
		a) According to the Imperial County General Plan's Consenct located within any known Native American cultural appropriate tribes with potential interest in the area. Of Quechan Indian Tribe advising they had no comments	sensitivity area. / n July 21, 2022, t	Additionally, the Cour he County received a	nty has consult a response ema	ed with the
		<ul> <li>expected.</li> <li>(i) Listed or eligible for listing in the California Register of Historical Resources, or in a local register of historical resources as define in Public Resources Code Section 5020.1(k), or</li> </ul>			$\boxtimes$	
		<ul> <li>(i) According to the California Historic Resources<sup>19</sup> to be eligible under the Public Resources Code Section be less than significant.</li> </ul>	in Imperial Count ction 21074 or 50	y, the proposed proje 20.1 (k); therefore, an	ct site is not list y impacts are e	ed or seem expected to
	0	(ii) A resource determined by the lead agency, in its discretion and supported by substantial evidence, to be significant pursuant to criteria set forth in subdivision (c) of Public Resources Code Section 5024.1. In applying the criteria set forth is subdivision (c) of Public Resource Code Section 5024.1, the lead agency shall consider the significance of the resource to a California Native American Tribe.				
		<ul><li>(ii) No significant resources listed as defined in temperated by the proposed minor subdivision. Any</li></ul>				ected to be

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XIX.	UTI	LITIES AND SERVICE SYSTEMS Would the project:				
	a)	Require or result in the relocation or construction of new or expanded water, wastewater treatment or stormwater				
		drainage, electric power, natural gas, or telecommunications facilities, the construction of which could cause significant environmental effects?	Ш	2		
		a) The proposed subdivision is to separate two agricultural fie existing uses as no new developments are proposed. Acconstruction of a new expanded water, wastewater treatmetelecommunication facilities, the construction of which conseptember 6, 2022 and September 15, 2022, ICPDS received Imperial County Department of Environmental Health <sup>12</sup> adviceonsidered to be less than significant.	Iditionally, it do nent or stormw uld cause signi ed response en	pes not expect or re rater drainage, electri ficant environmental nails from the Imperia	sult in the relic power, natu effects. Furth al Irrigation Dis	ocation or Iral gas or ermore, on strict <sup>16</sup> and
	b)	Have sufficient water supplies available to serve the project from existing and reasonably foreseeable future development	П	П	$\boxtimes$	
		during normal, dry and multiple dry years?				. stated on
		b) The proposed project does not project a change to the esection "(X) - Hydrology and Water Quality," on September 6 the County advising they had no comments for this project 16.	5, 2022, the Imp	erial Irrigation District	sent a respon	se email to
	c)	Result in a determination by the wastewater treatment				
		provider which serves or may serve the project that it has adequate capacity to serve the project's projected demand in			$\boxtimes$	
		addition to the provider's existing commitments?  c) The proposed minor subdivision will separate a parcel contit is not expected to result in a determination by the wastew that it has adequate capacity to serve the project's project Additionally, on September 15, 2022, ICPDS received an enadvising they had no comments for the project based on their on such prior to its approval. Less than significant impacts a	rater treatment parted demand in nail response file preliminary rev	orovider which serves addition to provider rom the Department o	or may serve 's existing cor of Environmen	the project nmitments. tal Health <sup>22</sup>
	d)	Generate solid waste in excess of State or local standards, or in excess of the capacity of local infrastructure, or otherwise impair the attainment of solid waste reduction goals?  d) Excess solid waste generation is not expected by the pro	posed subdivis	ion as the existing ag	⊠ ricultural use i	s proposed
		to remain on both new parcels. Less than significant impacts	are expected.			
	e)	Comply with federal, state, and local management and reduction statutes and regulations related to solid waste?				
		e) As previously stated on item (XIX)(d) above, the proposagricultural use as no new developments are proposed. The proposed and reduction statutes and regulations related significant.	proposed subdi	vision shall comply wi	th federal, stat	e, and local
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ľ	f locat	ed in or near state responsibility areas or lands classified as very hi	gh fire hazard se	verity zones, would the	Project:	
	a)	Substantially impair an adopted emergency response plan or emergency evacuation plan?			$\boxtimes$	
		a) As previously stated on item (X)(g) – "Hazards and Hazardo in State Responsibility Areas – Imperial County <sup>15</sup> " adopted Nunincorporated Local Responsibility Area (LRA) with the capproximately 26 miles west, across the Salton Sea, on the Diego. Therefore, the proposed subdivision would not subdivision would not subdivision emergency evacuation plan. Additionally, on September 15, 2 Fire Department <sup>20</sup> advising they had no comments for this proposed requirements pertaining to such regarding fire and life safety	lovember 7, 200 closest Very Hig Borrego Spring ubstantially imp 2022, ICPDS rect roject, but reserve	7, the proposed proje gh Fire Hazard Sever gs Fire Protection Dis pair an adopted eme eived a response emai ved the right to comm	ct site is locate ity Zone (VHFI trict in the Col rgency respon I from the Impe ent and reques	d within an HZ) located unty of San use plan or erial County t additional

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b)	Due to slope, prevailing winds, and other factors, exacerbate wildfire risks, and thereby expose project occupants to pollutant concentrations from a wildfire or the uncontrolled spread of a wildfire?  b) As previously stated on item (XX)(a) above, the proposed p Zone (VHFHZ); therefore, impacts due to slope, prevailing win expose project occupants to pollutant concentrations from a to be less than significant.	ds, and other f	factors, exacerbate wil	dfire risks, and	d thereby
c)	Require the installation or maintenance of associated infrastructure (such as roads, fuel breaks, emergency water sources, power lines or other utilities) that may exacerbate fire risk or that may result in temporary or ongoing impacts to the environment?  c) The proposed subdivision does not anticipate any changes as previously stated on item (XX)(a) above, on September 15, 2 Fire Department <sup>23</sup> advising they had no comments for this prorequirements pertaining to such regarding fire and life safety Fire Protection Association standards at a later time as neces	022, ICPDS rec pject, but reser measurements	eived a response emai ved the right to comme s, California building a	il from the Imp ent and reque: nd fire code, a	erial County st additional
d)	Expose people or structures to significant risks, including downslope or downstream flooding or landslides, as a result of runoff, post-fire slope instability, or drainage changes?  d) The proposed project site is generally flat and proposes of previously stated on item (XX)(a) above, the proposed project Cal Fire's "Fire Hazard Severity Zones in State Responsibility people or structures to significant risks, including downslop post-fire slope instability, or drainage changes are considered	is not located Areas – Imperi e or downstre	within a Very High Fire ial County <sup>15</sup> ; therefore am flooding or landsli	e Hazard Sever impacts relate	rity Zone per ed to expose

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Note: Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21083.05, Public Resources Code. Reference: Section 65088.4, Gov. Code; Sections 21080(c), 21080.1, 21080.3, 21083, Note: Authority cited: Sections 21063 and 21063.05, Public Resources Code: Reference: Section 50068.4, Gov. Code; Sections 21060.1, 21060.1, 21060.3, 21083.05, 21083.3, 21093, 21094, 21095, and 21151, Public Resources Code; Sundstrom v. County of Mendocino, (1988) 202 Cal. App. 3d 296; Leonoff v. Monterey Board of Supervisors, (1990) 222 Cal. App. 3d 1337; Eureka Citizens for Responsible Govt. v. City of Eureka (2007) 147 Cal. App. 4th 357; Protect the Historic Amador Waterways v. Amador Water Agency (2004) 116 Cal. App. 4th at 1109; San Franciscans Upholding the Downtown Plan v. City and County of San Francisco (2002) 102 Cal. App. 4th 656.

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### **SECTION 3**

#### **III. MANDATORY FINDINGS OF SIGNIFICANCE**

The following are Mandatory Findings of Significance in accordance with Section 15065 of the CEQA Guidelines.

a)	Does the project have the potential to substantially degrade the quality of the environment, substantially reduce the habitat of a fish or wildlife species, cause a fish or wildlife population to drop below self-sustaining levels, threaten to eliminate a plant or animal community, substantially reduce the number or restrict the range of a rare or endangered plant or animal, eliminate tribal cultural resources or eliminate important examples of the major periods of California history or prehistory?			
b)	Does the project have impacts that are individually limited, but cumulatively considerable? ("Cumulatively considerable" means that the incremental effects of a project are considerable when viewed in connection with the effects of past projects, the effects of other current projects, and the effects of probable future projects.)		D	
c)	Does the project have environmental effects, which will cause substantial adverse effects on human beings, either directly or indirectly?		B	

#### IV. PERSONS AND ORGANIZATIONS CONSULTED

This section identifies those persons who prepared or contributed to preparation of this document. This section is prepared in accordance with Section 15129 of the CEQA Guidelines.

#### A. COUNTY OF IMPERIAL

- Jim Minnick, Director of Planning & Development Services
- Michael Abraham, AICP, Assistant Director of Planning & Development Services
- Diana Robinson, Planning Division Manager
- Gerardo A. Quero, Project Planner
- Imperial County Air Pollution Control District
- Department of Public Works
- Fire Department
- Ag Commissioner
- Environmental Health Services
- Sheriff's Office

#### **B. OTHER AGENCIES/ORGANIZATIONS**

- Imperial Irrigation District
- Quechan Indian Tribe

(Written or oral comments received on the checklist prior to circulation)



#### V. REFERENCES

- Imperial County General Plan: Circulation and Scenic Highway Element https://www.icpds.com/assets/planning/circulation-scenic-highway-element-2008.pdf
- California Farmland Mapping & Monitoring Program: Imperial County Important Farmland Map 2018 https://maps.conservation.ca.gov/DLRP/CIFF/
- Imperial County Air Pollution Control District comment letter dated August 29, 2022
- 4. Imperial County General Plan: Conservation and Open Space Element

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- a) Figure 1: Sensitive Habitat Map
- b) Figure 2: Sensitive Species Map
- c) Figure 5: Areas of Heighten Historic Period Sensitivity Map
- d) Figure 6: Known Areas of Native American Cultural Sensitivity Map
- e) Figure 8: Existing Mineral Resources Map
- 5. Quechan Indian Tribe comment email dated August 16, 2022
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8. United States Geological Survey's Quaternary Faults Map

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https://www.conservation.ca.gov/cgs/tsunami/maps

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- a) Figure 2: Landslide Activity Map
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- United States Department of Agriculture- Natural Resources Conservation Service: Soils Map https://websoilsurvey.sc.egov.usda.gov/App/WebSoilSurvey.aspx
- 12. Imperial County Department of Environmental Health comment email dated September 15, 2022
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19. California Historic Resources: Imperial County

https://ohp.parks.ca.gov/ListedResources/?view=county&criteria=13

- 20. Imperial County Fire Department comment email dated September 15, 2022
- 21. City of Calexico Development Services Department email dated September 16, 2022
- 22. "County of Imperial General Plan EIR", prepared by Brian F. Mooney & Associates in 1993; and as Amended by County in 1996, 1998, 2001, 2003, 2006 & 2008, 2015, 2016.



#### VI. NEGATIVE DECLARATION – County of Imperial

The following Negative Declaration is being circulated for public review in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act Section 21091 and 21092 of the Public Resources Code.

Project Name: Parcel Map #02501

Project Applicant: KUDU, Inc.,

Project Location: 950 W. Lindsey Road, Calipatria, CA 92233

**Description of Project:** The applicant is proposing a minor subdivision application to separate a parcel containing two existing agricultural field into two legal parcels. The project site consists of (1) one parcel of approximately 321.92 Acres of farmland. Proposed Parcel 1 will be approximately 161.77 Acres and proposed Parcel 2 will be approximately 160.15 Acres. Existing agricultural use will remain.

#### VII. FINDINGS

This is to advise that the County of Imperial, acting as the lead agency, has conducted an Initial Study to determine if the project may have a significant effect on the environment and is proposing this Negative Declaration based upon the following findings:

		ial Study shows that there is no substantial evidence that the project may have a significant effect on ironment and a NEGATIVE DECLARATION will be prepared.
		The Initial Study identifies potentially significant effects but:
	(1)	Proposals made or agreed to by the applicant before this proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration was released for public review would avoid the effects or mitigate the effects to a point where clearly no significant effects would occur.
	(2)	There is no substantial evidence before the agency that the project may have a significant effect on the environment.
	(3)	Mitigation measures are required to ensure all potentially significant impacts are reduced to levels of insignificance.
		A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION will be prepared.
to supp availab	ort this le for re	Negative Declaration means that an Environmental Impact Report will not be required. Reasons finding are included in the attached Initial Study. The project file and all related documents are view at the County of Imperial, Planning & Development Services Department, 801 Main Street, 2243 (442) 265-1736.  NOTICE
The mu	hlia ia ia	vited to comment on the proposed Negative Declaration during the review period.
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The Ap hereby	plicant h agrees t	ereby acknowledges and accepts the results of the Environmental Evaluation Committee (EEC) and o implement all Mitigation Measures, if applicable, as outlined in the MMRP.
		Applicant Signature Date

#### VII. **FINDINGS**

This is to advise that the County of Imperial, acting as the lead agency, has conducted an Initial Study to determine if the project may have a significant effect on the environment and is proposing this Negative Declaration based upon the following findings:

The Initial Study shows that there is no substantial evidence that the project may have a significant effect on the environment and a NEGATIVE DECLARATION will be prepared. The Initial Study identifies potentially significant effects but: (1) Proposals made or agreed to by the applicant before this proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration was released for public review would avoid the effects or mitigate the effects to a point where clearly no significant effects would occur. (2)There is no substantial evidence before the agency that the project may have a significant effect on the environment. (3) Mitigation measures are required to ensure all potentially significant impacts are reduced to levels of insignificance. A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION will be prepared. If adopted, the Negative Declaration means that an Environmental Impact Report will not be required. Reasons to support this finding are included in the attached Initial Study. The project file and all related documents are available for review at the County of Imperial, Planning & Development Services Department, 801 Main Street, El Centro, CA 92243 (442) 265-1736.

**NOTICE** 

The public is invited to comment on the proposed Negative Declaration during the review period.

Jim Minnick, Director of Planning & Development Services

The Applicant hereby acknowledges and accepts the results of the Environmental Evaluation Committee (EEC) and hereby agrees to implement all Mitigation Measures, if applicable, as outlined in the MMRP.

10-17-2022

Date

Applicant Signature

### **SECTION 4**

VIII.

**RESPONSE TO COMMENTS** 

(ATTACH DOCUMENTS, IF ANY, HERE)

IX.	MITIGATION MONITORING & REPORTING PROGRAM (MMRP)
(ATTACH DOCUME	NTS, IF ANY, HERE)

# **COMMENT LETTERS**

**EEC ORIGINAL PKG** 

#### **Gerardo Quero**

From:

Ouechan Historic Preservation < historic preservation@quechantribe.com >

Sent:

Thursday, 21 July, 2022 11:31 AM

To:

Allison Galindo

Cc:

**ICPDSCommentLetters** 

Subject:

RE: PM02501 Request for Comments

## CAUTION: This email originated outside our organization; please use caution.

This email is to inform you that we do not wish to comment on this project.

From: Allison Galindo [mailto:allisongalindo@co.imperial.ca.us]

**Sent:** Thursday, July 21, 2022 8:58 AM

To: Alfredo Estrada Jr; Alphonso Andrade; Ana L Gomez; Andrew Loper; Belen Leon; Carlos Ortiz; Chris Hamilton; Donald Vargas; Eric Havens; Guillermo Mendoza; H. Jill McCormick; Jeff Lamoure; John Gay; Jolene Dessert; Jordan D. Joaquin; Jorge Perez; Jose Serrano; Leslie Martinez; Manuel Deleon; Marcus Cuero; Margo Sanchez; Mario Salinas; Matt Dessert; Miguel Figueroa; Mitch Mansfield; Monica Soucier; Ray Loera; Robert Benavidez; Robert Malek; Robert Menvielle; Rosa Lopez; Ryan Kelley; Sandra Mendivil; Scott Sheppeard; Vanessa Ramirez; Ryan Kelley;

Thomas.tortez@torresmartinez-nsn.gov

Cc: Michael Abraham; Linda Hunt; Melissa Pacheco; Rosa Soto; Leslie Martinez; Aimee Trujillo; John Robb

Subject: PM02501 Request for Comments

Good Morning,

Please see attached Request for Comments packet for PMo2501/ APN 020-110-031-000

Comments are due by August 5<sup>th</sup>, 2022 at 5:00PM.

In an effort to increase the efficiency at which information is distributed and reduce paper usage, the Request for Comments packet is being sent to you via this email.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact Michael Abraham at (442) 265-1736, or submit your comment letters to ICPDScommentletters@co.imperial.ca.us.

Thank you,

### Allison Galindo

Office Assistant III Imperial County Planning & Development Services 801 Main St. El Centro, CA 92243 (442)265-1736



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TELEPHONE: (442) 265-1800 FAX: (442) 265-1799

July 26, 2022

Jim Minnick
Planning & Development Services Director
801 Main Street
El Centro, CA 92243

SUBJECT:

Parcel Map (PM) 02501 - Kudu Inc.

Dear Mr. Minnick:

The Imperial County Air Pollution Control District ("Air District") appreciates the opportunity to review and comment on Parcel Map (PM) 02501 ("Project") that would subdivide an existing 321.65 acre lot identified as APN 020-110-031-000 into two legal parcels. Proposed Parcel 1, which is the northernmost parcel, would measure 161.77 acres and Proposed Parcel 2, the southern remainder, would measure 160.15 acres.

While the Air District does not have any comments on the subdivision itself, the Air District would like remind the applicant that Rule 806 – Conservation Management Practices will still be applicable to the proposed lots.

For convenience, Air District rules and regulations can be accessed online at <a href="https://apcd.imperialcounty.org/rules-and-regulations">https://apcd.imperialcounty.org/rules-and-regulations</a>. Should you have questions please feel free to contact the Air District for assistance at (442) 265-1800.

Respectfully,

Ismael Garcia

APC Environmental Coordinator

Monica N. Soucier

APC Division Manager

#### **Gerardo Quero**

From: Vargas, Donald A <DVargas@IID.com>
Sent: Tuesday, 6 September, 2022 3:30 PM

To: Gerardo Quero

Subject: Requests for Agency Comments on Kudu, Inc. Minor Subdivision PM No. 02501 and

Scaroni Properties, Inc. Parcel Map No. 02503

## CAUTION: This email originated outside our organization; please use caution.

Good afternoon Gerardo,

Per our conversation earlier today, on the matter of the above mentioned minor subdivisions IID has no comments.

Regards,

Imperial Irrigation District 333 E. Barioni Blvd. Imperial CA 92251



Donald Vargas
Compliance Administrator II
Regulatory & Environmental
Compliance Section
General Services Department

Tel: (760) 482-3609 Cel: (760) 427-8099 E-mail: dvargas@iid.com

#### **Gerardo Quero**

From:

Jorge Perez

Sent:

Thursday, 15 September, 2022 5:24 PM

To:

Allison Galindo

Cc: Subject: Gerardo Quero

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RE: PM02501 Request for Comments

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IMPERIAL COUNTY
PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

Hi Allison,

Based on our preliminary review, DEH has no comments. However, we reserve the right to comment on the project prior to its approval, if any project changes are made.

Regards,

#### Jorge A. Perez

Imperial County Division of Environmental Health

P: 442-265-1888 - C: 760-427-1190

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**Subject:** PM02501 Request for Comments

Good Morning,

Please see attached Request for Comments packet for PM02501/ APN 020-110-031-000

Comments are due by August 5<sup>Th</sup>, 2022 at 5:00PM.

Request for Comments packet is being sent to you via this email.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact Michael Abraham at (442) 265-1736, or submit your comment letters to ICPDScommentletters@co.imperial.ca.us.

Thank you,

Allison Galindo

Office Assistant III Imperial County Planning & Development Services 801 Main St. El Centro, CA 92243 (442)265-1736

#### **Gerardo Quero**

From:

Andrew Loper

Sent:

Friday, 16 September, 2022 7:27 AM

To:

Allison Galindo

Cc:

Michael Abraham; Linda Hunt; Melissa Pacheco; Rosa Soto; Leslie Martinez; Aimee

Trujillo; John Robb

Subject:

RE: PM02501 Request for Comments

#### **Good Morning**

At this time Imperial County Fire Department has no comments in regards to PM02501.

Again thank you for the opportunity to comment. Imperial County Fire Department reserves the right to comment and request additional requirements pertaining to this project regarding fire and life safety measures, California building and fire code, and National Fire Protection Association standards at a later time as we see necessary.

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# **APPLICATION**

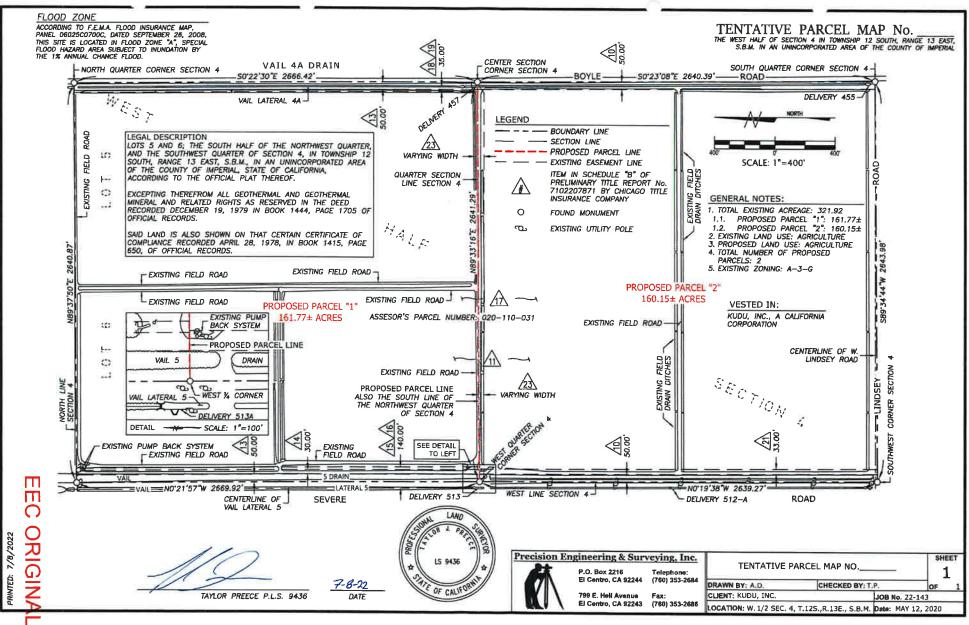
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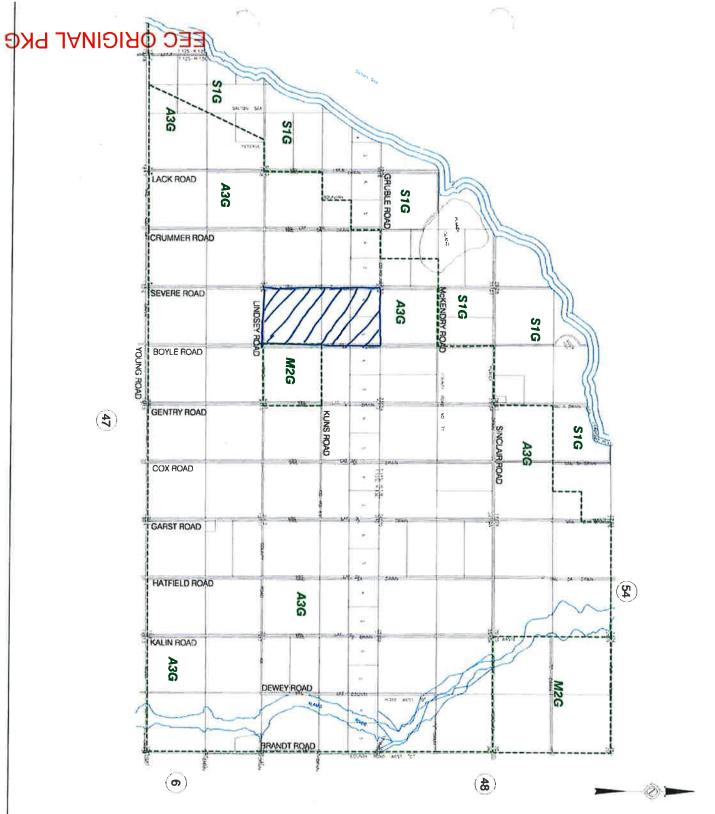
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Adopted by M. O. # 11(!) on Jan. 27, 1998 effective July 1, 1998.

MAP 53

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