

**SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**



FROM: Economic Development Agency

SUBMITTAL DATE:
September 26, 2006

SUBJECT: Horse Shows in the Sun Project

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Approve the Horse Shows in the Sun Project ("the project");
2. Adopt a De Minimis Finding based on the following: the Riverside County Economic Development Agency has prepared an Initial Study for the project described in Environmental Assessment No. EDA/CEQA 2006-50 that establishes that the project will not adversely affect wildlife resources; and
3. Adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration for Environmental Assessment No. EDA/CEQA 2006-50, based on the findings incorporated in the Initial Study and the conclusion that the project will not have a significant effect on the environment.

BACKGROUND: Staff has prepared an Initial Study to assess the potential environmental effects of the project. The project is located on approximately 229.46 acres owned by the County of Riverside Economic Development Agency at the southeast corner of the intersection of Airport Boulevard and Highway 86. (Continued on next page.)

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FINANCIAL DATA	Current F.Y. Total Cost:	\$ 0	In Current Year Budget:	N/A
	Current F.Y. Net County Cost:	\$ 0	Budget Adjustment:	N/A
	Annual Net County Cost:	\$ 0	For Fiscal Year:	06/07

COMPANION ITEM ON BOARD OF DIRECTORS AGENDA: N/A

SOURCE OF FUNDS: N/A

Positions To Be Deleted Per A-30	<input type="checkbox"/>
Requires 4/5 Vote	<input type="checkbox"/>

C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION:

APPROVE

County Executive Office Signature

Gary M. Chestnut

Consent Policy
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Dep't Recomm.:
 Per Exec. Ofc.:

Prev. Agn. Ref.: N/A **District:** 4 **Agenda Number:**

BACKGROUND:

The project consists of horse show facilities, including numerous practice and show rings, a stadium, restrooms, horse bridges, equestrian trails, parking, a restaurant, a vendor area, offices, barns, tent stables, international stables, feed buildings, a veterinary hospital and recreational areas. The Initial Study indicates all issues of environmental concern can be adequately mitigated to a level of insignificance. Notice of the Initial Study and proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration has been published in the *Desert Sun* newspaper in accordance with State CEQA Guidelines. Staff recommends approval as indicated above.

Attachments:

1. Initial Study for Environmental Assessment No. EDA/CEQA 2005-50 and
2. Proof of Publication